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

	)	Re: Docket Nos. 8, 110
Debtors.	)	(Jointly Administered)
MARELLI AUTOMOTIVE LIGHTING USA LLC, et al., <sup>1</sup>	) )	Case No. 25-11034 (CTG)
In re:	)	Chapter 11

CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL REGARDING FINAL ORDER ON MOTION OF DEBTORS FOR ENTRY OF INTERIM AND FINAL ORDERS (I) APPROVING THE DEBTORS' PROPOSED ADEQUATE ASSURANCE OF PAYMENT FOR FUTURE UTILITY SERVICES, (II) PROHIBITING UTILITY PROVIDERS FROM ALTERING, REFUSING, OR DISCONTINUING SERVICES, (III) APPROVING THE DEBTORS' PROPOSED PROCEDURES FOR RESOLVING ADEQUATE ASSURANCE REQUESTS, AND (IV) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

The undersigned proposed counsel for the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") hereby certifies that:

- 1. On June 11, 2025, the Debtors filed the Motion of Debtors for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Approving the Debtors' Proposed Adequate Assurance of Payment for Future Utility Services, (II) Prohibiting Utility Providers from Altering, Refusing, or Discontinuing Services, (III) Approving the Debtors' Proposed Procedures for Resolving Adequate Assurance Requests, and (IV) Granting Related Relief (the "Motion") [Docket No. 8].
  - 2. On June 12, 2025, the Court held an interim hearing on the Motion.
- 3. On June 12, 2025, the Court entered the Interim Order (I) Approving the Debtors' Proposed Adequate Assurance of Payment for Future Utility Services, (II) Prohibiting Utility Providers from Altering, Refusing, or Discontinuing Services, (III) Approving the Debtors'

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Proposed Procedures for Resolving Adequate Assurance Requests, and (IV) Granting Related Relief (the "Interim Order") [Docket No. 110].

- 4. On June 13, 2025, the Debtors filed the Notice of Entry of Interim Order and Final Hearing Regarding Motion of Debtors for Entry of Interim and Final Orders (I) Approving the Debtors' Proposed Adequate Assurance of Payment for Future Utility Services, (II) Prohibiting Utility Providers from Altering, Refusing, or Discontinuing Services, (III) Approving the Debtors' Proposed Procedures for Resolving Adequate Assurance Requests, and (IV) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 130].
- 5. Objections to entry of a final order granting the relief requested in the Motion were due no later than July 9, 2025 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).
- 6. The Debtors received informal comments from the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors (the "Committee") and the Office of the United States Trustee (the "U.S. Trustee") with respect to the form of final order on the Motion. Attached hereto as **Exhibit A** is a form of final order (the "Proposed Final Order"), which incorporates comments from the Committee and the U.S. Trustee. The Committee, the U.S. Trustee, and the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders do not object to entry of the Proposed Final Order.
- 7. A redline of the Proposed Final Order is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, showing changes from the proposed final order that was attached to the Motion.

8. The Debtors respectfully request entry of the Proposed Final Order at the Court's convenience.

Dated: July 15, 2025 Wilmington, Delaware

/s/ Laura Davis Jones

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### Exhibit A

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Upon the motion (the "Motion")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an final order (this "Final Order"), (a) approving the Debtors' proposed adequate assurance of payment for future Utility Services, (b) prohibiting Utility Providers from altering, refusing, or discontinuing services, (c) approving the Adequate Assurance Procedures, and (d) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in

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interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted on a final basis as set forth herein.
- 2. The Adequate Assurance Deposit and the Debtors' ability to pay for future Utility Services in the ordinary course of business subject to the Adequate Assurance Procedures shall constitute adequate assurance of future payment as required under section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code.
  - 3. The following Adequate Assurance Procedures are hereby approved:
    - a. The Debtors will serve a copy of the motion and the order granting the relief requested herein to each Utility Provider within two days after entry of this Final Order in accordance with these procedures.
    - b. Within twenty days of the Petition Date, subject to paragraphs (f)–(l) below, the Debtors will deposit the Adequate Assurance Deposit, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$406,000, in the newly created, segregated, interest-bearing Adequate Assurance Account.
    - c. Each Utility Provider shall be entitled to the funds in the Adequate Assurance Account in the amount set forth for such Utility Provider in the column labeled "Proposed Adequate Assurance Deposit" on the Utility Services List, attached to the Motion as **Exhibit C**.
    - d. If an amount relating to Utility Services provided postpetition by a Utility Provider is unpaid, and remains unpaid beyond any applicable grace period, such Utility Provider may request a disbursement from the Adequate Assurance Account by giving notice to: (i) the Debtors, Marelli Automotive Lighting USA LLC, 26555 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, Michigan 48033, Attn.: Marisa Iasenza (marisa.iasenza@marelli.com); (ii) proposed counsel to the Debtors, Kirkland & Ellis LLP, 333 West Wolf Point Plaza, Chicago, Illinois 60654, Attn.: Spencer A. Winters, P.C. (spencer.winters@kirkland.com), and Kirkland & Ellis LLP, 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York

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e. The portion of the Adequate Assurance Deposit attributable to each Utility Provider (including any additional amount deposited upon request of any

- applicable Utility Provider) shall be returned to the Debtors upon the earlier of (i) the reconciliation and payment by the Debtors of the Utility Provider's final invoice in accordance with applicable nonbankruptcy law following the Debtors' termination of Utility Services from such Utility Provider and (ii) the effective date of any chapter 11 plan confirmed in these chapter 11 cases if there are no outstanding disputes related to postpetition payment.
- f. Any Utility Provider desiring additional assurances of payment in the form of deposits, prepayments, or otherwise must serve a request for additional assurance (an "Adequate Assurance Request") on the Adequate Assurance Notice Parties. An Adequate Assurance Request may be made at any time.
- g. Any Adequate Assurance Request must (i) be in writing, (ii) identify the location for which the Utility Services are provided, the account numbers for those location(s), and the outstanding balance for each account, (iii) certify the amount that is equal to one-half of the Debtors' average monthly cost of Utility Services, calculated as the historical average payment for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2024, (iv) provide evidence that the Debtors have a direct obligation to the Utility Provider, and (v) explain why the Utility Provider believes the Proposed Adequate Assurance is not sufficient adequate assurance of future payment.
- h. Unless and until a Utility Provider timely files an objection or serves an Adequate Assurance Request, such Utility Provider shall be: (i) deemed to have received adequate assurance of payment "satisfactory" to such Utility Provider in compliance with section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code; and (ii) forbidden to discontinue, alter, or refuse services to, or discriminate against, the Debtors on account of any unpaid prepetition charges, or require additional assurance of payment other than the Proposed Adequate Assurance.
- i. Upon the Debtors' receipt of any Adequate Assurance Request, the Debtors shall promptly negotiate with such Utility Provider to resolve such Utility Provider's Adequate Assurance Request.
- j. The Debtors may, without further order from the Court, resolve any Adequate Assurance Request by mutual agreement with the relevant Utility Provider, and the Debtors may, in consultation with the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and the Committee, provide such Utility Provider with an additional adequate assurance of payment in connection with any such agreement, including, but not limited to, cash deposits, prepayments, or other forms of security if the Debtors determine that such additional adequate assurance is reasonable.
- k. If the Debtors and the Utility Provider are not able to reach an alternative resolution within twenty-one days of receipt of the Adequate Assurance Request, or if a Utility Provider was omitted from the Utility Services List and wishes to dispute that it received adequate assurance of future payment as required by section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code as provided by this Final Order, the Debtors may request a hearing before the Court at the next regularly scheduled omnibus hearing to determine the adequacy of

assurances of payment with respect to a particular Utility Provider (a "<u>Determination Hearing</u>") pursuant to section 366(c)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 1. Pending resolution at any such Determination Hearing, the Utility Provider filing such Adequate Assurance Request shall be prohibited from altering, refusing, or discontinuing Utility Services to the Debtors on account of: (i) unpaid charges for prepetition services; (ii) a pending Adequate Assurance Request; or (iii) on account of any objections to the Proposed Adequate Assurance.
- 4. The Utility Providers are prohibited from requiring additional adequate assurance of payment other than pursuant to the Adequate Assurance Procedures.
- 5. Absent further order of the Court, all Utility Providers, including any Utility Providers paid by the Landlords, are prohibited from altering, refusing, or discontinuing services on account of any unpaid prepetition charges, the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, or any perceived inadequacy of the Proposed Adequate Assurance.
- 6. The Debtors are authorized to cause the Adequate Assurance Deposit to be held in a segregated account during the pendency of these chapter 11 cases.
- 7. The Debtors' service of the Motion upon the Utility Services List shall not constitute an admission or concession that any such entity is a "utility" within the meaning of section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Debtors reserve all rights and defenses with respect thereto.
- 8. The Debtors are authorized to add or remove such parties from the Utility Services List; *provided* that the Debtors shall provide notice of any such addition or removal to the Adequate Assurance Notice Parties; *provided*, *further*, that if a Utility Provider is removed from the Utility Services List, the Debtors shall provide the applicable Utility Provider with seven days' notice thereof and the opportunity to respond to such removal. To the extent that there is any dispute as to the postpetition amounts owed to a Utility Provider, such Utility Provider shall not be removed from the Utility Services List, and no funds shall be removed from the Adequate Assurance Deposit, until such dispute has been resolved. For any Utility Provider that is subsequently added

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to the Utility Services List, the Debtors shall serve such Utility Provider a copy of this Final Order, including the Adequate Assurance Procedures. The terms of this Final Order and the Adequate Assurance Procedures shall apply to any subsequently identified Utility Provider.

- 9. To the extent the Debtors seek to pay any Utility Service to any Utility Provider not identified on Exhibit C attached to the Motion, the Debtors shall provide five business days' prior written notice to the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and the Committee.
- 10. The Debtors shall provide the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and the Committee with a matrix/schedule of payment made pursuant to this Final Order on a monthly basis following entry of this Final Order. The Debtors shall provide a copy of such matrix/schedule for the prior month to counsel for the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and counsel for the Committee by the last day of each month beginning upon entry of this Final Order.
- 11. Pursuant to the Adequate Assurance Procedures, upon the Debtors' termination of Utility Services, the Debtors may, in their discretion and without further order of this Court, upon fourteen days' prior notice and no response thereto, or upon agreement with the Utility Provider, reduce the Adequate Assurance Deposit by an amount not exceeding, for each of the Utility Services being discontinued, the lesser of (a) one-half of the Debtors' average monthly cost of Utility Services previously provided, calculated based on the historical average payment for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2024 and (b) the amount of the Adequate Assurance Deposit then attributable to the applicable Utility Provider. Upon the effective date of a plan in these chapter 11 cases, the Adequate Assurance Deposit shall be returned to the Debtors, less any amount owed on account of unpaid, postpetition Utility Services, by no later than seven business days following the date upon which the plan becomes effective.
- 12. The banks and financial institutions on which checks were drawn or electronic payment requests made in payment of the prepetition obligations approved herein are authorized to receive, process, honor, and pay all such checks and electronic payment requests when presented

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for payment, and all such banks and financial institutions are authorized to rely on the Debtors' designation of any particular check or electronic payment request as approved by this Final Order.

- 13. The Debtors are authorized to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition fund transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or fund transfer requests that are dishonored as a consequence of these chapter 11 cases with respect to prepetition amounts owed in connection with the relief granted herein.
- 14. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Final Order, and no action taken pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with this Final Order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount, validity, or priority of, or basis for, any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors', the Committee's, or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission, or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim, other priority claim, or otherwise of a type specified or defined in the Motion or this Final Order; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability, or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors' estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action, or other rights of the Debtors, the Committee, or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.
- 15. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion, and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.
- 16. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Final Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

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- 17. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Final Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 18. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Final Order.

## Exhibit B

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appointed in these chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Adequate Assurance Notice Parties"). The Debtors shall honor such request within seven business days after the date the request is received by the Debtors, subject to the ability of the Debtors and any such requesting Utility Provider to resolve any dispute regarding such request without further order of the Court. To the extent a Utility Provider receives a disbursement from the Adequate Assurance Account, the Debtors shall replenish the Adequate Assurance Account in the amount disbursed.

- e. The portion of the Adequate Assurance Deposit attributable to each Utility Provider (including any additional amount deposited upon request of any applicable Utility Provider) shall be returned to the Debtors upon the earlier of (i) the reconciliation and payment by the Debtors of the Utility Provider's final invoice in accordance with applicable nonbankruptcy law following the Debtors' termination of Utility Services from such Utility Provider and (ii) the effective date of any chapter 11 plan confirmed in these chapter 11 cases if there are no outstanding disputes related to postpetition payment.
- f. Any Utility Provider desiring additional assurances of payment in the form of deposits, prepayments, or otherwise must serve a request for additional assurance (an "Adequate Assurance Request") on the Adequate Assurance Notice Parties. An Adequate Assurance Request may be made at any time.
- g. Any Adequate Assurance Request must (i) be in writing, (ii) identify the location for which the Utility Services are provided, the account numbers for those location(s), and the outstanding balance for each account, (iii) certify the amount that is equal to one-half of the Debtors' average monthly cost of Utility Services, calculated as the historical average payment for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2024, (iv) provide evidence that the Debtors have a direct obligation to the Utility Provider, and (v) explain why the Utility Provider believes the Proposed Adequate Assurance is not sufficient adequate assurance of future payment.
- h. Unless and until a Utility Provider timely files an objection or serves an Adequate Assurance Request, such Utility Provider shall be: (i) deemed to have received adequate assurance of payment "satisfactory" to such Utility Provider in compliance with section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code; and (ii) forbidden to discontinue, alter, or refuse services to, or discriminate against, the Debtors on account of any unpaid prepetition charges, or require additional assurance of payment other than the Proposed Adequate Assurance.
- i. Upon the Debtors' receipt of any Adequate Assurance Request, the Debtors shall promptly negotiate with such Utility Provider to resolve such Utility Provider's Adequate Assurance Request.

- j. The Debtors may, without further order from the Court, resolve any Adequate Assurance Request by mutual agreement with the relevant Utility Provider, and the Debtors may, in consultation with the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and the Committee, provide such Utility Provider with an additional adequate assurance of payment in connection with any such agreement, including, but not limited to, cash deposits, prepayments, or other forms of security if the Debtors determine that such additional adequate assurance is reasonable.
- k. If the Debtors and the Utility Provider are not able to reach an alternative resolution within twenty-one days of receipt of the Adequate Assurance Request, or if a Utility Provider was omitted from the Utility Services List and wishes to dispute that it received adequate assurance of future payment as required by section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code as provided by this Final Order, the Debtors may request a hearing before the Court at the next regularly scheduled omnibus hearing to determine the adequacy of assurances of payment with respect to a particular Utility Provider (a "Determination Hearing") pursuant to section 366(c)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 1. Pending resolution at any such Determination Hearing, the Utility Provider filing such Adequate Assurance Request shall be prohibited from altering, refusing, or discontinuing Utility Services to the Debtors on account of: (i) unpaid charges for prepetition services; (ii) a pending Adequate Assurance Request; or (iii) on account of any objections to the Proposed Adequate Assurance.
- 4. The Utility Providers are prohibited from requiring additional adequate assurance of payment other than pursuant to the Adequate Assurance Procedures.
- 5. Absent further order of the Court, all Utility Providers, including any Utility Providers paid by the Landlords, are prohibited from altering, refusing, or discontinuing services on account of any unpaid prepetition charges, the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, or any perceived inadequacy of the Proposed Adequate Assurance.
- 6. The Debtors are authorized to cause the Adequate Assurance Deposit to be held in a segregated account during the pendency of these chapter 11 cases.
- 7. The Debtors' service of the Motion upon the Utility Services List shall not constitute an admission or concession that any such entity is a "utility" within the meaning of

section 366 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Debtors reserve all rights and defenses with respect thereto.

- 8. The Debtors are authorized to add or remove such parties from the Utility Services List; *provided* that the Debtors shall provide notice of any such addition or removal to the Adequate Assurance Notice Parties; *provided*, *further*, that if a Utility Provider is removed from the Utility Services List, the Debtors shall provide the applicable Utility Provider with seven days' notice thereof and the opportunity to respond to such removal. To the extent that there is any dispute as to the postpetition amounts owed to a Utility Provider, such Utility Provider shall not be removed from the Utility Services List, and no funds shall be removed from the Adequate Assurance Deposit, until such dispute has been resolved. For any Utility Provider that is subsequently added to the Utility Services List, the Debtors shall serve such Utility Provider a copy of this Final Order, including the Adequate Assurance Procedures. The terms of this Final Order and the Adequate Assurance Procedures shall apply to any subsequently identified Utility Provider.
- 9. To the extent the Debtors seek to pay any Utility Service to any Utility Provider not identified on Exhibit C attached to the Motion, the Debtors shall provide five business days' prior written notice to the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and the Committee.
- 10. The Debtors shall provide the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and the Committee with a matrix/schedule of payment made pursuant to this Final Order on a monthly basis following entry of this Final Order. The Debtors shall provide a copy of such matrix/schedule for the prior month to counsel for the Ad Hoc Group of Senior Lenders and counsel for the Committee by the last day of each month beginning upon entry of this Final Order.

11. Any Landlord or third party that pays directly for Utility Services for the benefit of the Debtors pursuant to a nonresidential real property lease must continue paying for such Utility Services in the ordinary course of business and may not cease, reduce, delay, or otherwise interfere with the payment or delivery of such Utility Services, regardless of any nonpayment, deferral, or waiver of rent, or any defaults with respect to the applicable lease.

- termination of Utility Services, the Debtors may, in their discretion and without further order of this Court, upon fourteen days' prior notice and no response thereto, or upon agreement with the Utility Provider, reduce the Adequate Assurance Deposit by an amount not exceeding, for each of the Utility Services being discontinued, the lesser of (a) one-half of the Debtors' average monthly cost of Utility Services previously provided, calculated based on the historical average payment for the twelve-month period ending December 31, 2024 and (b) the amount of the Adequate Assurance Deposit then attributable to the applicable Utility Provider. Upon the effective date of a plan in these chapter 11 cases, the Adequate Assurance Deposit shall be returned to the Debtors, less any amount owed on account of unpaid, postpetition Utility Services, by no later than seven business days following the date upon which the plan becomes effective.
- 12. 13. The banks and financial institutions on which checks were drawn or electronic payment requests made in payment of the prepetition obligations approved herein are authorized to receive, process, honor, and pay all such checks and electronic payment requests when presented for payment, and all such banks and financial institutions are authorized to rely on the Debtors' designation of any particular check or electronic payment request as approved by this Final Order.

- 13. 14.—The Debtors are authorized to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition fund transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or fund transfer requests that are dishonored as a consequence of these chapter 11 cases with respect to prepetition amounts owed in connection with the relief granted herein.
- 15. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Final Order, and no action taken 14. pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with this Final Order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount, validity, or priority of, or basis for, any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors', the Committee's, or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission, or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim, other priority claim, or otherwise of a type specified or defined in the Motion or this Final Order; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability, or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors' estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action, or other rights of the Debtors, the Committee, or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.
- 15. 16. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion, and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.
- 16. 17. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Final Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

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- <u>17.</u> 18. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Final Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 18. This Court retains jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Final Order.