IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	§	Chapter 11
RHODIUM ENCORE LLC, et al., 1	§ §	Case No. 24-90448 (ARP)
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Debtors.	§ §	(Jointly Administered)
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APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART & SULLIVAN, LLP AS ATTORNEYS EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

IF YOU OBJECT TO THE RELIEF REQUESTED, YOU MUST RESPOND IN WRITING. UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COURT, YOU MUST FILE YOUR RESPONSE ELECTRONICALLY AT HTTPS://ECF.TXSB.USCOURTS.GOV/ WITHIN TWENTY-ONE DAYS FROM THE DATE THIS MOTION WAS FILED. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ELECTRONIC FILING PRIVILEGES, YOU MUST FILE A WRITTEN OBJECTION THAT IS ACTUALLY RECEIVED BY THE CLERK WITHIN TWENTY-ONE DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU WERE SERVED WITH THIS PLEADING. YOU MUST SERVE A COPY OF YOUR RESPONSE ON THE PERSON WHO SENT YOU THE NOTICE; OTHERWISE, THE COURT MAY TREAT THE PLEADING AS UNOPPOSED AND GRANT THE RELIEF REQUESTED.

Rhodium Encore LLC and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Debtors") respectfully represent as follows in support of this Application of Debtors for Authority to Retain and Employ Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP as Attorneys Effective as of the Petition Date (the "Application"):

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and the last four digits of their corporate identification numbers are as follows: Rhodium Encore LLC (3974), Jordan HPC LLC (3683), Rhodium JV LLC (5323), Rhodium 2.0 LLC (1013), Rhodium 10MW LLC (4142), Rhodium 30MW LLC (0263), Rhodium Enterprises, Inc. (6290), Rhodium Technologies LLC (3973), Rhodium Renewables LLC (0748), Air HPC LLC (0387), Rhodium Shared Services LLC (5868), Rhodium Ready Ventures LLC (8618), Rhodium Industries LLC (4771), Rhodium Encore Sub LLC (1064), Jordan HPC Sub LLC (0463), Rhodium 2.0 Sub LLC (5319), Rhodium 10MW Sub LLC (3827), Rhodium 30MW Sub LLC (4386), and Rhodium Renewables Sub LLC (9511). The mailing and service address of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases is 2617 Bissonnet Street, Suite 234, Houston, TX 77005.

BACKGROUND

- 1. On August 24, 2024, Rhodium Encore LLC, Jordan HPC LLC, Rhodium JV LLC, Rhodium 2.0 LLC, Rhodium 10MW LLC, and Rhodium 30MW LLC each filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "Initial Debtors"). The Initial Debtors' cases are jointly administered *as In re Rhodium Encore, LLC, et al.*, Case No. 24-90448 (ARP).
- 2. On August 29, 2024, the following additional affiliates of the Initial Debtors filed voluntary petitions for chapter 11 relief: Rhodium Technologies LLC, Rhodium Enterprises Inc., Rhodium Renewables LLC, Rhodium Ready Ventures LLC, Rhodium Industries LLC, Rhodium Shared Services LLC, Rhodium Renewables Sub LLC, Rhodium 30MW Sub LLC, Rhodium Encore Sub LLC, Rhodium 10MW Sub LLC, Rhodium 2.0 Sub LLC, Air HPC LLC, and Jordan HPC Sub LLC (the "Additional Debtors," and, together with the Initial Debtors, the "Debtors").
- 3. The Debtors' chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") are jointly administered for procedural purposes only pursuant to rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and rule 1015-1 of the Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Local Rules"). *See* ECF Nos. 8 and 41.
- 4. No trustee, examiner, or statutory committee of creditors has been appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 5. A detailed description of the facts and circumstances regarding the Debtors' business and capital structure and the circumstances leading to the commencement of these Chapter 11 Cases is set forth in the Declaration of David M. Dunn in Support of Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Relief (the "First Day Declaration") (ECF No. 35).

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JURISDICTION

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

RELIEF REQUESTED

- 7. By this Application, pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016(b), and Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1, the Debtors request entry of an order (i) authorizing the retention and employment of Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP ("Quinn Emanuel" or the "Firm") as attorneys for the Debtors effective as of the Petition Date and (ii) granting related relief.
- 8. The Debtors request that the Court approve the retention of Quinn Emanuel under a general retainer, as their attorneys to perform the extensive legal services that will be required during these Chapter 11 Cases in accordance with Quinn Emanuel's normal hourly rates in effect when services are rendered and Quinn Emanuel's normal reimbursement policies. In support of this Application, the Debtors submit the declaration of Charles Topping, the General Counsel and Secretary of Rhodium Enterprises, Inc., attached hereto as Exhibit A (the "Topping Declaration") and the declaration of Patricia B. Tomasco, a partner of Quinn Emanuel, attached hereto as Exhibit B (the "Tomasco Declaration").

RELIEF REQUESTED SHOULD BE GRANTED

9. Section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that "the trustee, with the court's approval, may employ one or more attorneys . . . that do not hold or represent an interest adverse to the estate, and that are disinterested persons, to represent or assist the trustee in carrying out the trustee's duties under [the Bankruptcy Code]." 11 U.S.C. § 327(a).

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QUINN EMANUEL'S QUALIFICATIONS

- 10. The Debtors seek to retain Quinn Emanuel because of Quinn Emanuel's recognized expertise and extensive experience and knowledge practicing before bankruptcy courts in large and complex chapter 11 cases and because of Quinn Emanuel's knowledge of the Debtors' business, financial, and litigation affairs, including the Debtors' litigation with Whinstone US, Inc.
- 11. Quinn Emanuel and its partners have represented numerous debtors and committees in bankruptcy cases across the nation, including FTX Trading Ltd.; Boy Scouts of America and Delaware BSA, LLC; Cinemex USA Real Estate Holdings, Inc.; Desolation Holdings LLC; Talen Energy Supply, LLC; Wesco Aircraft Holdings, Inc.; Voyager Digital Holdings, Inc.; Chinos Holdings, Inc.; Kingfisher Midstream LLC; RadioShack Corporation; Alto Maipo SpA; Exco Resources, Inc.; and Westmoreland Coal Company.
- 12. The Debtors have been informed that Patricia B. Tomasco, a partner at Quinn Emanuel, who will be employed in these Chapter 11 Cases, is a member in good standing of, among others, the State Bar of Texas and the United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas. Other partners, counsel, and associates of Quinn Emanuel who will be employed in these Chapter 11 Cases are members in good standing of other bars and courts. Accordingly, Quinn Emanuel is both well qualified and uniquely able to represent the Debtors in their Chapter 11 Cases in an efficient and effective manner.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

13. The employment of Quinn Emanuel under a general retainer and in accordance with its normal hourly rates and disbursement policies is appropriate and necessary to enable the Debtors to execute faithfully their duties as debtors and debtors in possession and to prosecute

their Chapter 11 Cases. Subject to further order of this Court, it is proposed that Quinn Emanuel will be employed to render the following professional services:

- a. take all necessary actions to protect and preserve the Debtors' estates, including the prosecution of actions on the Debtors' behalf, the defense of any actions commenced against the Debtors, the negotiations of disputes in which the Debtors are involved and the preparation of objections to claims filed against the Debtors' estates;
- b. advise the Debtors with respect to their responsibilities in complying with the United States Trustee Guidelines and Reporting Requirements and with the rules of the Court;
- c. prepare, on behalf of the Debtors, as debtors in possession, all necessary motions, applications, answers, orders, reports, and other papers in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates;
- d. take all necessary actions in connection with any chapter 11 plan and related disclosure statement and all related documents, and such further actions as may be required in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates;
- e. take all appropriate actions in connection with the sale of any or all of the Debtors' assets pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise; and
- f. perform all other necessary legal services in connection with the prosecution of these Chapter 11 Cases; provided, however, that to the extent Quinn Emanuel determines that such services fall outside of the scope of services historically or generally performed by Quinn Emanuel as lead debtors' counsel in a bankruptcy case, Quinn Emanuel will file a supplemental declaration.
- 14. It is necessary for the Debtors to employ attorneys to render the foregoing professional services. Quinn Emanuel has stated its desire and willingness to act in these Chapter 11 Cases and render the necessary professional services as attorneys for the Debtors.
- 15. The Debtors may also file applications to employ additional professionals in connection with the administration of these Chapter 11 Cases and the Debtors' ordinary course operations. Rather than resulting in any extra expense to the Debtors' estates, it is anticipated that

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the efficient coordination of efforts of the Debtors' attorneys and other professionals will greatly add to the progress and effective administration of these Chapter 11 Cases.

16. As described in the Tomasco Declaration, Quinn Emanuel will work with the Debtors' other professionals to ensure a clear delineation of each firm's respective roles in connection with representation of the Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases to prevent duplication of services and ensure the cases are administered in the most efficient way possible.

QUINN EMANUEL'S DISINTERESTEDNESS

- 17. To the best of the Debtors' knowledge, the partners, counsel, and associates of Quinn Emanuel do not have any connection with or any interest adverse to the Debtors, their creditors, or any other party in interest, or their respective attorneys and accountants, except as may be set forth in the Tomasco Declaration.
- 18. Based upon the Tomasco Declaration, the Debtors believe that Quinn Emanuel is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors have been informed that Quinn Emanuel will conduct an ongoing review of its files to ensure that no disqualifying circumstances arise. If any new relevant facts or relationships are discovered, Quinn Emanuel will supplement its disclosure to the Court.

PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION

19. As set forth in the Tomasco Declaration, the Debtors' estates will pay Quinn Emanuel's fees and expenses after submission and approval from the Court. Quinn Emanuel received its first retainer of \$100,000.00 on March 28, 2024, and since then, continued to receive additional retainer refreshes of \$220,265.22 on July 11, 2024, \$500,000.00 on July 15, 2024, \$155,325.44 on July 16, 2024, \$100,000.00 on July 29, 2024, \$400,000.00 on August 20, 2024, \$400,000 on August 26, 2024, and \$68,969.81 on August 27, 2024. The total amount of the

retainers received by Quinn Emanuel from March 28, 2024, through August 27, 2024 is \$1,944,560.47. Quinn Emanuel, from March 19, 2024, through August 28, 2024, has billed the Debtors a total of \$1,700,676.49 for fees and expenses and received payment for fees and expenses in the amount of \$1,700,676.49. Quinn Emanuel currently holds \$243,883.98 in its retainer account.

- 20. The Debtors understand and have agreed that Quinn Emanuel hereafter will apply to the Court for allowance of compensation and reimbursement of expenses in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, the U.S. Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases, effective November 1, 2013 (the "Fee Guidelines"), and any further orders of the Court for all professional services performed and expenses incurred after the Petition Date.
- 21. In accordance with section 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Quinn Emanuel has neither shared nor agreed to share (a) any compensation or reimbursement it has received or may receive with another person, other than the partners and associates associated with Quinn Emanuel or (b) any compensation or reimbursement another person has received or may receive.
- 22. Subject to the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and the Fee Guidelines, the Debtors propose to compensate Quinn Emanuel for services rendered at its customary hourly rates that are in effect as set forth in the Tomasco Declaration, and to reimburse Quinn Emanuel according to its customary reimbursement policies. The Debtors respectfully submit the Quinn Emanuel's rates and policies stated in the Tomasco Declaration are reasonable.

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NOTICE

23. Notice of this Application will be provided to any party entitled to notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 and any other party entitled to notice pursuant to Local Rule 9013-1(d).

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request entry of an order granting the relief requested herein and such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and appropriate.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of September, 2024.

/s/ Charles Topping
Charles Topping
General Counsel and Secretary
Rhodium Enterprises, Inc.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Patricia B. Tomasco, hereby certify that on the 22nd day of September, 2024, a copy of the foregoing Application was served by the Electronic Case Filing System for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas.

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/s/ Patricia B. Tomasco

Patricia B. Tomasco

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DECLARATION OF CHARLES TOPPING IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART & SULLIVAN, LLP AS ATTORNEYS EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Charles Topping, hereby declares as follows:

1. I am the General Counsel and Secretary of Rhodium Enterprises, Inc. I submit this declaration in support of the Application of Debtors for Authority to Retain and Employ Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP as Attorneys Effective as of the Petition Date (the "Application") of Rhodium Encore LLC and its affiliated debtors (collectively, the "Debtors").

THE DEBTORS' SELECTION OF COUNSEL

2. The Debtors recognize that a comprehensive review process is necessary when selecting and managing chapter 11 counsel to ensure that bankruptcy professionals are subject to the same client-driven market scrutiny and accountability as professionals in non-bankruptcy engagements. The Debtors retained Quinn Emanuel in March 2024, as its counsel in connection

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The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and the last four digits of their corporate identification numbers are as follows: Rhodium Encore LLC (3974), Jordan HPC LLC (3683), Rhodium JV LLC (5323), Rhodium 2.0 LLC (1013), Rhodium 10MW LLC (4142), Rhodium 30MW LLC (0263), Rhodium Enterprises, Inc. (6290), Rhodium Technologies LLC (3973), Rhodium Renewables LLC (0748), Air HPC LLC (0387), Rhodium Shared Services LLC (5868), Rhodium Ready Ventures LLC (8618), Rhodium Industries LLC (4771), Rhodium Encore Sub LLC (1064), Jordan HPC Sub LLC (0463), Rhodium 2.0 Sub LLC (5319), Rhodium 10MW Sub LLC (3827), Rhodium 30MW Sub LLC (4386), and Rhodium Renewables Sub LLC (9511). The mailing and service address of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases is 2617 Bissonnet Street, Suite 234, Houston, TX 77005.

with the preparation for a chapter 11 filing of certain entities. The Debtors retained Quinn Emanuel because of, among other factors, its extensive expertise and client service with respect to such matters. I believe that Quinn Emanuel is both well-qualified and uniquely able to represent the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases") in an efficient and expert manner as bankruptcy counsel.

RATE STRUCTURE AND COST SUPERVISION

- 3. In my capacity as General Counsel and Secretary, I am responsible for supervising outside counsel retained by the Debtors in the ordinary course of business. Quinn Emanuel has informed the Debtors that its rates for bankruptcy representations are comparable to the rates it charges for non-bankruptcy representations. As discussed below, I am also responsible for reviewing invoices regularly submitted by Quinn Emanuel, and the rates Quinn Emanuel charged the Debtors pre-petition are the same as the regular, annually-adjusted rates Quinn Emanuel will charge the Debtors in the post-petition period.
- 4. The Debtors recognize that they have the responsibility to closely monitor the billing practices of their counsel to ensure the fees and expenses paid by the estates remain consistent with the Debtors' expectations and the exigencies of these Chapter 11 Cases. As they did pre-petition, the Debtors will continue to bring discipline, predictability, client involvement, and accountability to the counsel fees and expenses reimbursement process. To that end, the Debtors will review and monitor the invoices that Quinn Emanuel submits.

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

Executed this 22nd day of September, 2024.

/s/ Charles Topping

Charles Topping
General Counsel and Secretary
Rhodium Enterprises, Inc.

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DECLARATION OF PATRICIA B. TOMASCO IN SUPPORT OF THE APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART & SULLIVAN, LLP AS ATTORNEYS EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I, Patricia B. Tomasco, hereby declares as follows:

- 1. My name is Patricia B. Tomasco. I am over the age of 18 years. I am competent to make this declaration and I have personal knowledge of the facts stated herein. Each and every statement contained herein is true and correct.
- 2. I am a partner of the firm Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP ("Quinn Emanuel" or the "Firm"), an international law firm with offices in 15 U.S. cities and 20 international cities, including offices at 700 Louisiana, Suite 3900, Houston, Texas 77002. Quinn Emanuel's main telephone number is 713.221.7000.
- 3. I submit this declaration (this "Declaration") in connection with the Application of Debtors for Authority to Retain and Employ Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP as

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Attorneys Effective as of the Petition Date (the "Application")² submitted on the date hereof by Rhodium Encore LLC and its debtor affiliates in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"), as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), at Quinn Emanuel's normal hourly rates and in accordance with Quinn Emanuel's normal reimbursement policies, in compliance with sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), and to provide the disclosures required under rules 2014(a) and 2016(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and rules 2014-1 and 2016-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "Local Rules"). Unless otherwise stated in this Declaration, I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth herein. To the extent any information disclosed herein requires amendment or modification upon Quinn Emanuel's completion of further review, or as additional information regarding parties in interest becomes available, a supplemental declaration will be submitted to the Court reflecting such amended, supplemented, or otherwise modified information.

4. Neither I nor any partner of, counsel to, or associate of the Firm represents any entity other than the Debtors in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases. In addition, except as set forth herein below, to the best of my knowledge, after due inquiry, neither I nor any partner of, counsel to, or associate of the Firm represents any party in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases in matters related to these Chapter 11 Cases.

² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise herein defined shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in the Application.

QUINN EMANUEL'S DISCLOSURE PROCEDURES

5. In conjunction with the Debtors' retention of Quinn Emanuel, I directed a search of Quinn Emanuel's conflicts system for the entities listed on the attached Schedule 1 (the "Potential Parties in Interest"). The following summarizes the findings gleaned from my review of the information available on Quinn Emanuel's conflicts system of current clients of Quinn Emanuel and affiliates of current clients of Quinn Emanuel that are also associated with the Debtors.

a. Current Clients of Quinn Emanuel that are Creditors or Parties in Interest: Representation on Other Matters

- 6. Quinn Emanuel currently represents entities or affiliates of entities that may have direct or individual claims or interest against the Debtors that are listed on the attached Schedule 2. Except as set forth below, Quinn Emanuel's ongoing representation of the Schedule 2 entities does not involve or relate to the Debtors or this case.³
- 7. Quinn Emanuel currently represents Whinstone US, Inc. ("WUS"), along with cocumsel from Debevoise & Plimpton LLC ("Debevoise") in the case of GMO Gamecenter USA, Inc. et al. v. Whinstone US, Inc., No. 1:22-cv-05974, currently pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York (the "GMO Matter"). The GMO Matter involves breach of contract disputes concerning contracts associated with WUS's facility in Rockdale, Texas. The Debtors' Motion to Assume [Dkt. No. 32] and related disputes with WUS involve different contracts with WUS concerning WUS's facility in Rockdale, Texas. WUS's engagement

The Engagement Letter between the Debtors and Quinn Emanuel, contains a standard future conflicts waiver: "We are undertaking this Engagement on condition that Company gives its express consent and agreement that we may represent other clients, including the parties adverse to you in this matter, in the future in other matters in which we do not represent Company even if the interests of the other clients are adverse to Company (including the appearance on behalf of another client adverse to Company in an unrelated negotiation, litigation or arbitration), provided that the other matter is not substantially related to our representation of Company. Our firm has many lawyers and numerous offices and you agree that you are a sophisticated client. The countersignature to this letter on behalf of Company also acknowledges that we have made disclosure to Company of the above facts and that Company agrees to the conflict waiver set forth herein."

letter with Quinn Emanuel contains a non-standard conflicts waiver excluding the firm's Rhodium representation from any alleged conflict of interest by WUS:

At this time we are aware of the following facts that may be relevant to actual or potential conflicts of interest and to the above waiver: QEU&S is currently representing a party adverse to Whinstone US, Inc. in a matter that may be substantially related to the Engagement. Whinstone expressly waives any conflict arising from or in connection with that representation. The conflict waivers contained herein also waive possible conflicts based on future facts and circumstances that cannot be known at this time. The countersignatures to this letter on behalf of Whinstone US, Inc. and Riot Platforms, Inc. also acknowledge that we have made disclosure to Whinstone US, Inc. and Riot Platforms, Inc. of the above facts and that Whinstone US, Inc. and Riot Platforms, Inc. agree to the conflict waivers set forth herein.

8. Quinn Emanuel may be adverse to WUS and Riot Platforms, Inc. in all respects in these bankruptcy cases and will vigorously prosecute any claims that the Debtors may have against WUS and Riot Platforms, Inc. in these cases.

b. Current and Former Clients of Quinn Emanuel that are Creditors of the Debtors; Representation in these Chapter 11 Cases

- 9. Quinn Emanuel also currently represents creditors and affiliates of creditors of the Debtors as reflected on Schedule 2. Furthermore, Quinn Emanuel previously represented but does not currently represent other creditors or affiliates of creditors of the Debtors as reflected on Schedule 2 as "Former Clients." Such representation will not impact Quinn Emanuel's ability to fulfill its obligations as bankruptcy counsel to the Debtors as allowed by 11 U.S.C. § 327(a).
- 10. As used in Exhibit 2, the term "Current" means a client for which the Firm has performed work within the past 12 months. Contrastingly, the term "Former" means a client for which the firm has not performed work within the past 12 months whether or not the attorney-

client relationship was formally terminated. None of the Current Clients represent more than 1% of Quinn Emanuel's annual revenues.

- 11. Based on the searches conducted to date and described herein, to the best of my knowledge, neither Quinn Emanuel nor any partner or associate thereof has any connection with the Office of the United States Trustee or any person employed in the Office of the United States Trustee, or any Bankruptcy Judge currently serving on the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas other than in normal professional connections that Quinn Emanuel has developed as a result of its representations of various parties in interest in unrelated matters before the Court. Accordingly, the Debtors' retention and employment of Quinn Emanuel is not prohibited by Bankruptcy Rule 5002.
- 12. To the best of my knowledge, upon reasonable inquiry, neither I nor any professional of the Quinn Emanuel team that is providing services to the Debtors is a creditor of the Debtors.
- 13. Given the large number of parties in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases and because the information on Schedule 1 may have changed without Quinn Emanuel's knowledge and may change during the pendency of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases, Quinn Emanuel is not able conclusively to identify all relationships or potential relationships with all creditors or other parties in interest in these Chapter 11 Cases. If any new relevant facts or relationships are discovered or arise, Quinn Emanuel will use reasonable efforts to identify such further developments and will promptly file a supplemental declaration as required by Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a).

QUINN EMANUEL IS DISINTERESTED

14. Based on the foregoing, insofar as I have been able to ascertain after diligent inquiry, I believe that Quinn Emanuel does not hold or represent an interest adverse to the Debtors' estates in the matters upon which Quinn Emanuel is to be employed and that Quinn Emanuel is

"disinterested" as such term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

QUINN EMANUEL'S RETAINER, RATES, AND BILLING PRACTICES

- 15. Quinn Emanuel is not a creditor of the Debtors. Quinn Emanuel received its first retainer of \$100,000.00 on March 28, 2024, and since then, continued to receive additional retainer refreshes of \$220,265.22 on July 11, 2024, \$500,000.00 on July 15, 2024, \$155,325.44 on July 16, 2024, \$100,000.00 on July 29, 2024, \$400,000.00 on August 20, 2024, \$400,000 on August 26, 2024, and \$68,969.81 on August 27, 2024. The total amount of the retainers received by Quinn Emanuel from March 28, 2024, through August 27, 2024 is \$1,944,560.47. Quinn Emanuel, from March 19, 2024, through August 28, 2024, has billed the Debtors a total of \$1,700,676.49 for fees and expenses and received payment for fees and expenses in the amount of \$1,700,676.49. Quinn Emanuel currently holds \$243,883.98 in its retainer account.
- 16. Quinn Emanuel intends to charge the Debtors for services rendered in these Chapter 11 Cases at Quinn Emanuel's normal hourly rates in effect at the time the services are rendered. Quinn Emanuel's customary hourly rates for the professionals assigned to this matter, subject to change from time to time, are partners--\$1,720.00-\$1,765.00, counsel--\$1,570.00, associates-\$1,395.00-\$1,515.00, law clerks--\$645.00, and paraprofessionals--\$550.00.
- 17. Quinn Emanuel also intends to seek reimbursement for expenses incurred in connection with its representation of the Debtors in accordance with Quinn Emanuel's normal reimbursement policies, subject to any modifications to such policies that Quinn Emanuel may be required to make to comply with orders of this Court, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and the U.S. Trustee Guidelines for Reviewing Applications for Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses Filed under 11 U.S.C. § 330 by Attorneys in Larger Chapter 11 Cases, effective November 1, 2013 (the "Fee Guidelines"). Quinn Emanuel's disbursement

policies pass through all out-of-pocket expenses at actual cost or an estimated actual cost when the actual cost is difficult to determine. For example, with respect to duplication charges, Quinn Emanuel will charge \$.10 per printed black and white page and \$.25 per color page. Other reimbursable expenses (whether the service is performed by Quinn Emanuel in-house or through a third-party vendor) include, but are not limited to facsimiles, deliveries, court costs, transcript fees, travel fees, and clerk fees.

- 18. No promises have been received by Quinn Emanuel or any partner, counsel, or associate of Quinn Emanuel, as to payment or compensation in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases other than in accordance with the provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and the Fee Guidelines. Furthermore, Quinn Emanuel has no agreement with any other entity to share compensation received by Quinn Emanuel or by such entity.
- 19. The Application requests approval of Quinn Emanuel's retention on rates, terms, and conditions, consistent with that Quinn Emanuel charges non-chapter 11 debtors, namely, prompt payment of Quinn Emanuel's hourly rates, as adjusted from time to time, and reimbursement of out-of-pocket disbursements at cost or based on formulas that approximate the actual cost where the actual cost is not easily ascertainable. Subject to these terms and conditions, Quinn Emanuel intends to apply for the allowance of compensation for professional services rendered in these Chapter 11 Cases and for reimbursement of actual and necessary expenses relating thereto, in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines, and any other applicable procedures and orders approved by the Court.

NO DUPLICATION OF SERVICES

20. I understand that the Debtors will retain various other restructuring professionals in these Chapter 11 Cases. I also understand that the Debtors may also file further applications to

employ additional counsel in the Chapter 11 Cases for particular purposes. The Debtors, Quinn Emanuel, and other restructuring professionals have fully discussed Quinn Emanuel's role in these Chapter 11 Cases so as to avoid the duplication of work. Quinn Emanuel agrees to make reasonable efforts to avoid duplication of services by any other professionals employed by the Debtors.

ATTORNEY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO FEE GUIDELINES

21. The following is provided in response to the request for additional information set forth in Appendix B, Paragraph D.1 of the Fee Guidelines.

Question: Did the Firm agree to any variations from, or alternatives to, the Firm's

standard billing arrangements for this engagement?

Answer: No.

Question: Do any of the Firm's professionals in this engagement vary their rate based

on the geographical location of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Case?

Answer: No. The hourly rates used by Quinn Emanuel in representing the Debtors

are consistent with the rates that the Firm charges other comparable chapter

11 clients, regardless of the location of the chapter 11 case.

Question: If the Firm has represented the Debtors in the 12 months pre-petition,

disclose the Firm's billing rates and material financial terms for the prepetition engagement, including any adjustments during the 12 months prepetition. If the Firm's billing rates and material financial terms have changed post-petition, explain the difference and the reasons for the

difference.

Answer: Quinn Emanuel was first retained by the Debtors in March 2024. Quinn

Emanuel's fees are determined on the basis of time billed at hourly rates. The hourly rates billed by Quinn Emanuel pre-petition are the same hourly

rates requested post-petition.

Question: Have the Debtors approved Quinn Emanuel's budget and staffing plan, and

if so, for what budget period?

Answer: The Debtors have not requested a budget and/or staffing plan from Quinn

Emanuel.

22. The foregoing constitutes the statement of Quinn Emanuel pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2014(a) and 2016(b), and Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1.

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

Executed this 22nd day of September, 2024.

/s/ Patricia B. Tomasco
Patricia B. Tomasco

PARTIES-IN-INTEREST LIST

Bankruptcy Judges and Staff for Southern District of Texas

Judge Marvin Isgur

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Dena Hanovice Palermo

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Client Corporate Group

Rhodium Enterprises, Inc. Rhodium Technologies LLC Rhodium Renewables LLC

Rhodium 2.0 LLC
Rhodium Encore LLC
Rhodium 30MW LLC
Rhodium 10MW LLC
Rhodium JV LLC
Air HPC LLC
Jordan HPC LLC

Rhodium Industries LLC

Rhodium Shared Services LLC Rhodium Ready Ventures LLC Rhodium Renewables Sub LLC

Rhodium 2.0 Sub LLC Rhodium Encore Sub LLC Rhodium 30MW Sub LLC Rhodium 10MW Sub LLC Jordan HPC Sub LLC

Adverse Party and Potentially

Adverse Party/Creditor of Rhodium
Technologies LLC Rhodium 2.0
LLC, Rhodium Technologies LLC,
& Rhodium Encore LLC

Proof Capital Alternative Growth Fund Proof Capital Alternative Income Fund Proof Proprietary Investment Fund Inc.

C5 Capital LLC

Sing Family Enterprise Limited

Abundance 2021, LLC

Imperium Investments Holdings LLC

SCM Worldwide LLC

Michael Garrie Chang Living Trust Vesano Ventures LLC

Daniel Garrie Limitless Advisors LLC

Del Papa Ventures Ltd

Fellowship Management Group, LLC

Yang, Patty

Pepper Grove Holdings Limited Alfred Murray Capital, LLC

AnnMarie Fornaro Trust dated January

9, 2017

Blain, Derek Brown, Michael BT Real Estate LLC

Bullfrog Investment Group Inc.

Celsius Core LLC Coroneos, Paul A GenGlobal RIG LLC Gilbert, Sean Michael

Hibble, Adam

Infinite Mining, LLC J. Blue Company, LLC

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Jennings, Brett

JWS QRP HOLDINGS LLC

Karl, Philip

Kessner, Matthew J

Laczko, Zoltan

Lau, James

LIQUID MINING FUND I LLC

Magic Circle Trust

Mcbee, Christopher

Mettlehead Capital, LLC

Moorhead, Jordan

Noble Crest Capital, LLC

Orr, Douglas

Philip M. Fornaro Trust dated January 9,

2017

Precint Holdings, LLC

Private Investor Club Feeder Fund 2021-

H LLC

RH Fund III, a series of Telegraph

Treehouse, LP

RH Fund I, a series of Permit RH, LP

Ranger Private Investment Partners, L.P.

RKS Investments LLC

Salvadori, Alexander Matthew

Shoemaker, Robert

Solo Sessions, LLC Profit Sharing Plan

Brennan M. Nacol 2015 Irrevocable

Trust

Smith, Jeffrey

Stefkov, Emil

Ten R Ten, LLC

Thakur. Neil Kumar

The Kirk A. Blackmon 2013 Family

Trust

Thunder Mountain Holdings LLC

Permit Ventures, LLC

TZ SOLO401K TRUST

Vantage FBO Amber Wimberly IRA

Weber, Brad

Winchester Partners, LP

Ethos Investments XV, LLC

AFC Development LLC

Arctos Credit LLC (*I believe this is

n/k/a NYDIG or owned by NYDIG)

Christopher Blackerby

Clark and Laurie Kemble

Colin Hutchings

Equity Trust Company Custodian FBO

Valentin Angelkov IRA

ERC Capital LLC

Guarav Parikh 2020 Revocable Trust

Jacquelyn B. Nacol 2015 Irrevocable

Trust

KeekBC LLC

LNW Family II LP

Omega Capital Ventures S R L

Pat C. Hawkins

Printing Capital I LP

Private Investor Club Feeder Fund 2020-

G LLC

Private Investor Club Feeder Fund 2020-

H LLC

R2BMNI LLC

Resolutions Real Estate Services LLC

Robert M. and Nancy T. Spencer

Rossano N. Wlodawsky and Marnie S.

Wlodawsky Joint Revocable Living

Trust

Ryan Nacol 2015 Irrevocable Trust

Scott A. Thurman

Shane M. Blackmon

Stadlin Group Investments LLC

The Goodman Family Trust

Thomas Lienhart

Upgradeya Investments LLC

Chase Blackmon

Cameron Blackmon

Nathan Nichols

DROip3 LLC

The Trudo T. M. Letschert, II Revocable

Trust

Solo Sessions LLC

345 Partners SPV2 LLC

Brian Cullinan

GR Fairbairn Family Trust

GRF Tiger Trust

Jacob Rubin

Jerald and Melody Howe Weintraub

Revocable Living Trust

Kintz Family Trust

Moore Revocable Trust Dated July 31,

2014

NC Fairbairn Family Trust

Nina Claire Fairbairn Revocable Trust

Paul Schwarz

Richard Fullerton

Transcend Partners Legend Fund LLC

Valley High Limited Partnership

Wilkins-Duignan 2009 Revocable Trust

Jerald M Weintraub/Jerald and Melody

Howe Weintraub Revocable Living

Trust DTD 02/05/98, as amended

Grant Fairbairn Revocable Trust

NCF Eagle Trust

Jonathan E Aborn

Ers Captial LLC

James M. Farrar & Adda B.D. Farrar

(JWROS)

Morrison Park Capital LLC/Anthony E

Ausiello

ELYSIUM MINING, LLC

RH Fund II, a series of Telegraph

Treehouse, LP/Benefit of Angel list

Gaurav Parikh 2020 Revocable Trust

TYLER BOSSERMAN/Vida Kick LLC

Whinstone US, Inc.

Riot Platforms, Inc.

Temple Green Data LLC

NetZero Energy LLC

Rowan Green Data LLC

Quinbrook Infrastructure Partners

Midas Green Technologies LLC

RC Enterprises, LLC dba Electronic

Cleaners

Gunn Restoration, LLC

Blackmon Mooring of Austin, LLC

Richard Camara

Justin Camara

Dick Camara

Trine Mining, LLC

Cross The River, LLC

Celsius Network LLC

Celsius KeyFi LLC

Celsius Lending LLC

Celsius Mining LLC

Celsius Network, Inc.

Celsius Network Limited

Celsius Networks Lending LLC

Celsius US Holding LLC

Hosting Customer of Rhodium

Renewables LLC

TX 3 Mining LLC

Directors, Officers, and Employees

Nathan Nichols

Chase Blackmon

Cameron Blackmon

Kevin Hays

Charles Topping

Caleb VanZoeren

Morgan Soule

Alex Peloubet

Alicia Catatao

Matt Smith

Zach Kerr

Renata Szkoda

Jonas Lauren Norr

David L. Eaton

L. Spencer Wells

Imperium Investments Holdings LLC

Former Directors and Officers

Nicholas Cerasuolo

James Calvin

Bartholomew Mallon

Anthony Ausiello

Jared Melillo

Marshall Long

John Lewis Zoeckler

Top Shareholders

Malcolm P and Emily T Fairbairn 2021

Charitable Remainder

DLT Data Center 1 LLC

Private Investor Club Feeder Fund 2020-

G LLC

Vendors/Service Providers

Proof Corporate Advisory Inc.

Byline Bank

U.S. Bank

Vantage Bank

First Republic Bank

Assured Partners

Lockton Companies

Sprung Instant Structures Inc.

EdgarAgents LLC

Bobcat

Adobe

Fiberlight LLC

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Carruth-Doggett Inc Cambridge Viscosity LLP Amplified Containers, LLC Equiniti Trust Company LLC

Hmtech Asic Repair Relevant Industrial LLC

S&P Global Market Intelligence LLC

Modis

BMS Management

Collaborative Office Interiors
East TX Fencing and Fabrication

Prolim Corporation Virginia Ewing

Industrial Shelving Systems

DSI Ventures Inc. Tetty's Tees Carl Richardson Kirkland & Ellis LLP

Melodie Zoeckler Photography

2Way Supply Titan IO, Inc

Texas Blockchain Council Rowan Green Data LLC Munters Corporation

Asana Inc

Goodwin Procter LLP Ellenoff Grossman Amplified Electric

Armanino
Kelvion
PRM Filtration
Dell Technologies

Dry Coolers Inc ChemFoundry Inc

H&K Electrical Contractor Inc

ThermoSystems Inc Air Filters Inc Whinstone US Inc

Ameritex Machine & Fabrication

Peregrine Prime Inc

Big Johnson Plumbing, Inc

Marcum LLP
CDW Direct LLC

Philip M. Fornaro & Associates Ltd.

Blockchain Tax Partners

Efani

JFDI Consultants LLC

Harrington Industrial Plastics LLC

Blue HG LLC K&L Gates LLP Lucent Point, LLC

McDonnell Boehnen Hulbert &

Berghoff LLP A60 ES LLC

Rolland Safe and Lock Company

The BVA Group LLC Bray International Inc

Producers Video Corporation

Magnetic Mill LLC FNK IR, LLC

Southern Petroleum Laboratories, Inc

Whispli

Baer Engineering
Coinbase Inc.
DeWitt Law Firm
Leinart Cleaning LLC
Mechanical Reps Inc.

XT-Shanghai Fengy Cable Technology

Co. Ltd.

Mettler Toledo LLC Industrial Builders Inc. Adventure Pictures

Overhead Door Co. of Central Texas/Ideal Slate LLC

Susan Butenhoff
Prime Controls
Leppo Rents
Optex Solutions
Net Solutions LLC

Potter Anderson & Corroon LLP PFS Financing Corporation Woodway Builders LLC

Simply Rack Warehouse Equipment

CICB

Chain Solutions Ltd.
Sessions, Israel, & Shartle
Cardinal Intellectual Property

Connect Discovery Hot Corner Food Moffitt Services

CHAPMAN SPINGOLA LLP

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Advanced Crypto Services LLC

Henry Horelica CSP Safety

AED Professionals Standon Pipe Supports

Salary.com

Kane Russell Coleman Logan PC

One Stop Mining McMaster-Carr Supply Queue Associates Inc. Asset Hound LLC

Mothership Incubator, LLC

Upstreamdata

Hawk Chain Solutions

Johnson Equipment Company Acorn Waste Solutions

Kelly Hart & Hallman LLP Grapnel Tech Services Bartlett Electric Co-Op Inc

Sunbelt Rentals
K2 Discovery
JMS Southeast Inc.
Intuit Quickbooks
Portico Apartments
Byron Gossett
Reliant Energy

Texas Mutual Insurance Company

Zochnet LLC

Kynge Energy Investments Shell Technology Center Blue Cross Blue Shield

Bill.com

American Express
Canaan US Inc.
AsicXchange Inc.

Waste Management Inc.

AJX Group Inc T Fulton Trucking Guntner US LLC

Beam Dental Insurance

Guardian Insurance

Okta Inc. Riveron LLC StrongDM

Giga Energy Inc. Alerus Financial, N.A. Temple Bolt Supply

Bearden Creek Advisors LLC

Ray Barrett One LLP

Marsh USA LLC Stris & Maher LLP CNA Insurance Hash House Tech Inc

Net Sync Unum Group

UHC

Consilio LLC Rippling Inc. KMC Equipment Expensify

Delaware State Government

Ernst & Young LLP Lehotsky Keller LLP Gillam & Smith LLP Malone Bailey LLP

Bloomberg Industry Group Texas Disposal Systems

Auradine

Liebherr USA Co.
Ochsner Interests

Access Retirement Solutions

Lancium LLC

Dawson Van Orden Inc. Unfinished Projects LLC

SHANDONG TAIAN HIKING INTERNATIONAL COMMERCE

GROUP CO.LTD
Stylus Jinn Repair

MESO

Swisher Acquisitions

SecureW2

NTX Mechanical and Welding LLC

Checkr Inc

Lonestar Taproot LLC

MicroBT

DHL Analytical

Westguard Insurance Company

AF Group Inc.

Artemis Power Tech LLC B. Riley Securities Inc.

City of Temple

Elevate

Puerto Rico Tax Department

NYDIG LLC

HKA Global LLC

Keating and Son's Tire

Mark Grams

Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts

New Pig Corporation

Schneider Freight Power

Magruder Executive Search

Summit Fire and Security

MongoDB Inc.

Progressive Insurance

Alamo Prism Communications Inc.

Bitmain Technologies Delaware Limited

First Insurance

Milam County Courthouse

McMillan James Equipment Company

Northeast Series of Lockton Companies

DLR Plumbing

Three Way Logistics Inc

3A General Contractors LLC

The TASA Group Inc.

American Arbitration Association

Stoel Rives LLP

Milam County Tax Assessor

Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan

LLP

ExpertLink LLC

Victor Martinez

Gregg Law PC

National Benefits Services LLC

The Cleaning Guys LLC

Aerotek Inc.

Barnes & Thornburg LLP

Alternative Environmental & Recycling

Services Inc.

ClearVue Landscapes

JND eDiscovery

Logic Systems Inc.

Gunns Restoration

Greg Riley Professional Engineer

Propour, LLC

Donnelley Financial LLC

John Dees

Brandon and Clark, Inc.

SCHEDULE 2

COMPANY	RELATIONSHIP	
Air HPC LLC	Current client	
Jordan HPC LLC	Current client	
Jordan HPC Sub LLC	Current client	
Rhodium 10MW LLC	Current client	
Rhodium 10MW Sub LLC	Current client	
Rhodium 2.0 LLC	Current client	
Rhodium 2.0 Sub LLC	Current client	
Rhodium 30MW LLC	Current client	
Rhodium 30MW Sub LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Encore LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Encore Sub LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Enterprises, Inc.	Current client	
Rhodium JV LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Ready Ventures LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Renewables LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Renewables Sub LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Shared Services LLC	Current client	
Rhodium Technologies LLC	Current client	
Access Retirement Solutions	Access Industries (if related) is a current client	
AFC Development LLC	AFC entities (if related) are former clients	
American Arbitration Association	Former client	
American Express	Former client	
Arctos Credit LLC n/k/a NYDIG	Current client	
Assured Partners	Assured entities (if related) are former clients	
B. Riley Securities Inc.	Current client as well as certain affiliates	
Baer Engineering	Julius Baer Group (if related) is a current client	
Blockchain Tax Partners	Blockchain Recovery Investment Consortium	
	(if related) is a current client	
Bloomberg Industry Group	Bloomberg is a current client	
BMS Management	Bristol Myers-Squibb aka BMS (if related) is a	
	current client	
Bobcat	Bobcat Bluff Wind Project LLC (if related) is	
	a former client	
BT Real Estate LLC	BT entities (appear unrelated) are current	
	clients	
Canaan US Inc.	Current client	
Cardinal Intellectual Property	Cardinal Ventures (if related) is a current client	
CDW Direct Duplicate	CDW Corporation (if related) is a former client	
CDW Direct LLC	CDW Corporation (if related) is a former client	
CNA Insurance	Former client	
Coinbase Inc.	Current client	

COMPANY	RELATIONSHIP
CSP Safety	CSP (Carlyle Strategic Partners) IV
	Acquisitions L.P. (if related) is a former client
DHL Analytical	DHL Ventures and Deutsche Post AG dba
	Deutsche Post DHL (if related) are current
	clients
DLR Plumbing	DLR Restaurants, dba Dick's Last Resort (if
	related) is a former client
DLT Data Center 1 LLC	DLT Entertainment, Ltd. (if related) is a
	former client
Donnelley Financial LLC	R.R. Donnelley aka R.R. Donnelley & Sons
	Company (if related) is a current client
Elysium Mining LLC	Former client
Ernst & Young LLP	Former client
First Insurance	First State Insurance, First American Title
	Insurance, and First Colonial Life Insurance (if
	related) are former clients
Guardian Insurance	Former client
Intuit Quickbooks	Current client
JFDI Consultants LLC	JFDI Accountants (if related) is a former client
K2 Discovery	K2 Advanced Media LLC, K2 Capital Partners
	Ltd., K2 Advisors LLC, K2 Eon LLC, and
	K2/D&S Management Co., (if related) are
	former clients
KMC Equipment	KMC Enterprises, LLC (if related) is a former
	client
Lockton Companies	Current client
Lonestar Taproot LLC	Lonestar Pipeline Company (if related) is a
	former client
Malcolm P and Emily T Fairbairn 2021	Current client
Charitable Remainder	
Marsh USA LLC	Marsh entities (if related are former clients
Matt Smith	Matthew Smith (if same) is a current client
Munters Corporation	Munters AB (if related) is a former client
Progressive Insurance	Former client
Proof Proprietary Investment Fund Inc.	Proprietary Capital LLC (if related) is a current
7.11	client
Reliant Energy	Former client
RH Fund II, a series of Telegraph Treehouse	Angel List Holdings LLC (if related) is a
LP/Benefit of Angel list	former client
Riot Platforms, Inc.	Current client
Robert M and Nancy T. Spencer	Nancy Spencer (if related) is a former client
Rowan Digital Infrastructure Pty Ltd.	Rowan Companies Ltd. and Red Rowan
	Investments Ltd. (if related) are former clients

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COMPANY	RELATIONSHIP
Rowan Green Data LLC	Rowan Companies Ltd. and Red Rowan
	Investments Ltd. (if related) are former clients
Royal TR GSS TR/Proof Capital Alternative	Royal Capital Management (if related) is a
Income Fund	current client
S&P Global Market Intelligence LLC	Former client
SCM Worldwide LLC	SCM entities are current clients
Shell Technology Center	Shell entities are current clients
U.S. Bank	Former client
Valley High Limited Partnership	Current client
Waste Management, Inc. aka WM	Former client
Whinstone US Inc.	Current client

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	§	Chapter 11
RHODIUM ENCORE LLC, et al., 1	§ §	Case No. 24-90448 (ARP)
Debtors.	§ 8	
Decicis.	§	(Jointly Administered)
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ORDER GRANTING THE APPLICATION OF DEBTORS FOR AUTHORITY TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY QUINN EMANUEL URQUHART & SULLIVAN, LLP AS ATTORNEYS EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

(Relates to ECF ____)

Upon the application, dated September 22, 2024 (the "Application")² of Rhodium Encore LLC, and its affiliated debtors in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"), as debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors"), for entry of an order pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2014 and 2016, and Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1 (i) authorizing the Debtors to retain and employ Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP ("Quinn Emanuel") as attorneys for the Debtors, effective as of the Petition Date and (ii) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Application; and upon consideration of the Tomasco Declaration and the Topping Declaration; and this Court

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases and the last four digits of their corporate identification numbers are as follows: Rhodium Encore LLC (3974), Jordan HPC LLC (3683), Rhodium JV LLC (5323), Rhodium 2.0 LLC (1013), Rhodium 10MW LLC (4142), Rhodium 30MW LLC (0263), Rhodium Enterprises, Inc. (6290), Rhodium Technologies LLC (3973), Rhodium Renewables LLC (0748), Air HPC LLC (0387), Rhodium Shared Services LLC (5868), Rhodium Ready Ventures LLC (8618), Rhodium Industries LLC (4771), Rhodium Encore Sub LLC (1064), Jordan HPC Sub LLC (0463), Rhodium 2.0 Sub LLC (5319), Rhodium 10MW Sub LLC (3827), Rhodium 30MW Sub LLC (4386), and Rhodium Renewables Sub LLC (9511). The mailing and service address of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases is 2617 Bissonnet Street, Suite 234, Houston, TX 77005.

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such term in the Application.

being satisfied, based on the representations made in the Application and the Tomasco Declaration, that Quinn Emanuel is "disinterested" as such term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code, as modified by section 1107(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, and as required under section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and that Quinn Emanuel represents no interest adverse to the Debtors' estates with respect to the matters upon which it is engaged; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application and the relief requested therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334; and consideration of the Application and the requested relief being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and it appearing that venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Application having been provided; and such notice having been adequate and appropriate under the circumstances, and it appearing that no other further notice need be provided; and the Court having reviewed the Application; and all objections, if any, to the Application having been withdrawn, resolved, or overruled; and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and it appearing that the relief requested in the Application is necessary for the Debtors' reorganization and is in the best interests of the Debtors and their respective estates and creditors; 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 Debtors are authorized, but not directed, pursuant to sections 327(a), 328(a), 329, and 504 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2014 and 2016, and Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1, to employ and retain Quinn Emanuel as their attorneys in these Chapter 11 cases from the Petition Date under a general retainer in accordance with Quinn Emanuel's normal hourly rates and disbursement policies, all as contemplated by the Application, as modified by this Order.

- 2. Quinn Emanuel is authorized to render the following professional services:
 - a. take all necessary actions to protect and preserve the Debtors' estates, including the prosecution of actions on the Debtors' behalf, the defense of any actions commenced against the Debtors, the negotiations of disputes in which the Debtors are involved and the preparation of objections to claims filed against the Debtors' estates;
 - b. advise the Debtors with respect to their responsibilities in complying with the United States Trustee Guidelines and Reporting Requirements and with the rules of the Court;
 - c. prepare, on behalf of the Debtors, as debtors in possession, all necessary motions, applications, answers, orders, reports, and other papers in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates;
 - d. take all necessary actions in connection with any chapter 11 plan and related disclosure statement and all related documents, and such further actions as may be required in connection with the administration of the Debtors' estates;
 - e. take all appropriate actions in connection with the sale of any or all of the Debtors' assets pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, or otherwise; and
 - f. perform all other necessary legal services in connection with the prosecution of these Chapter 11 Cases; provided, however, that to the extent Quinn Emanuel determines that such services fall outside of the scope of services historically or generally performed by Quinn Emanuel as lead debtors' counsel in a bankruptcy case, Quinn Emanuel will file a supplemental declaration.
- 3. Quinn Emanuel shall be compensated in accordance with, and will file interim and final fee applications for allowance of its compensation and expenses and shall be subject to, sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code and applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines, and any other applicable procedures and orders of the Court. For billing purposes, Quinn Emanuel shall keep its time in one-tenth (1/10) hour increments in accordance with the Fee Guidelines. Quinn Emanuel also intends to make a reasonable effort to comply with the U.S. Trustee's requests for information and additional disclosures as set forth in the Fee Guidelines, both in connection with the Application and any interim and final fee

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applications to be filed by Quinn Emanuel in these Chapter 11 Cases. Aside from the Fee Statements filed each month, all billing records filed in support of Quinn Emanuel's fee applications will be forwarded to the U.S. Trustee using an open and searchable LEDES data format.

- 4. Quinn Emanuel shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses as provided by the Fee Guidelines.
- 5. Quinn Emanuel shall use its best efforts to avoid any duplication of services provided by any of the Debtors' other retained professionals in these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 6. Notwithstanding anything in the Application to the contrary, Quinn Emanuel shall (i) to the extent that Quinn Emanuel uses the services of contract attorneys, independent contractors, or subcontractors (collectively, the "Contractors") in these cases, pass through the cost of such Contractors at the same rate that Quinn Emanuel pays the Contractors; (ii) seek reimbursement for actual costs only; (iii) ensure that the Contractors are subject to the same conflict checks as required for Quinn Emanuel; and (iv) file with this Court such disclosures required by Bankruptcy Rule 2014.
- 7. No agreement or understanding exists between Quinn Emanuel and any other person, other than as permitted by Bankruptcy Code § 504, to share compensation received for services rendered in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases, nor shall Quinn Emanuel share or agree to share compensation received for services rendered in connection with these cases with any other person other than as permitted by Bankruptcy Code § 504.
- 8. Quinn Emanuel shall provide fourteen (14) business days' notice to the Debtors, the U.S. Trustee, and any official committee appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases before implementing any periodic increases and shall file such notice with the Court. The U.S. Trustee

retains all rights to object to any rate increase on all grounds, including the reasonableness standard

set forth in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Court retains the right to review any rate

increase pursuant to section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code.

9. Nothwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Application, the Tomasco

Declaration, or the Topping Declaration attached to the Application, Quinn Emanuel shall not be

entitled to reimbursement for fees and expenses in connection with any objection to its fees,

without further order of the Court.

10. Quinn Emanuel will review its files periodically during the pendency of these

Chapter 11 Cases to ensure that no conflicts or other disqualifying circumstances exist or arise. If

any new relevant facts or relationships are discovered or arise, Quinn Emanuel will use reasonable

efforts to identify such further developments and will promptly file a supplemental declaration, as

required by Bankruptcy Rule 2014(a).

11. To the extent there is any inconsistency between the Application, the Tomasco

Declaration, the Topping Declaration and this order, the provisions of this order shall govern.

12. The Debtors and Quinn Emanuel are authorized to take all necessary actions to

effectuate the relief granted pursuant to this order in accordance with the Application.

13. The Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or

related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this order.

Dated:	
	ALEBEDA D. DEDEZ
	ALFREDO R. PEREZ

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE