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In re:

POOLIN TECHNOLOGY PTE. LTD., *et al.*,[1]

Debtors.

Case No. 26-18325

Chapter 11

(Joint Administration Requested)

Hearing Date: TBD – Shortened Notice Requested

DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT AND RETENTION OF KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS, LLC DBA VERITA GLOBAL AS ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISOR EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

TO THE HONORABLE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE:

Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd. ("Poolin") and its affiliated debtors and debtors-in-possession: Lonestar Dream Inc. ("LSD"); and Lonestar Taproot, LLC ("LST" and collectively, the "Debtors")

[1] The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtors' federal tax identification number, are: Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd., a Singapore Private Limited Company; Lonestar Dream Inc. (5105); and Lonestar Taproot LLC (4118). The location of the Debtors' service address for purposes of these Chapter 11 Cases is: c/o Michael DuFrayne, CRO, 2564 US Highway 1, PMB #16884166, Lawrence, NJ 08648.

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hereby respectfully submit this application (the "Application") for the entry of an order, substantially in the form annexed hereto as **Exhibit C** (the "Proposed Order"), pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and 11 U.S.C. § 105(a), authorizing the retention and employment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global ("Verita") as claims and noticing agent effective as of the Petition Date (as defined herein) pursuant to the terms and conditions of that certain Services Agreement (the "Services Agreement") attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and to the Proposed Order as **Exhibit 1**. In support of this Application, the Debtors submit the Declaration of Evan Gershbein, Executive Vice President of Verita (the "Gershbein Declaration"), attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

1. The Court (defined below) has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the *Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey* dated as of September 18, 2012. The Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to Rule 7008 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), to the entry of a Final Order by the Court in connection with this Motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.

2. Venue of these proceedings is proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

3. The statutory predicates for the relief requested herein are 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and section 105(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f), the Court's *General Order Governing Protocol for the Retention of Claims and Noticing Agents Under 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) Pending Adoption of Local Rule* (the "Claims and Noticing Agent

Retention Protocol"), and Rule 9013 of the Local Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey (the "Local Rules").

FACTUAL & PROCEDURAL BACKGROUND

4. On July 22, 2026 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors each filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of New Jersey (the "Court"), thereby commencing the above-captioned cases (these "Cases" or these "Chapter 11 Cases"). The Debtors continue to manage their assets as debtors in possession. As of the filing of this Motion, no official committee of unsecured creditors or statutory committee has been appointed in the Debtors' Cases, and no request has been made for the appointment of a trustee or examiner.

5. Additional factual background regarding the Debtors' current and historical business operations and the events leading to these Chapter 11 Cases is set forth in the *Declaration of Michael DuFrayne in Support of Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* [ECF No. 2] (the "First Day Decl."), filed substantially contemporaneously herewith and incorporated by reference herein.

RELIEF REQUESTED

6. Through this Application, the Debtors seek entry of an order, substantially in the form annexed hereto as the Proposed Order, authorizing the employment and retention of Verita as claims and noticing agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, effective as of the Petition Date, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Services Agreement.

VERITA'S QUALIFICATIONS

7. Verita is a leading chapter 11 administrator and comprises industry professionals with significant experience in both the legal and administrative aspects of large, complex chapter

11 cases. Verita has acted as the official claims and noticing agent in many large bankruptcy cases in this District and in other districts nationwide. Verita has acted as the claims and noticing agent in numerous cases of comparable size, including several cases currently pending in the United States Bankruptcy Court for this District. *See, e.g.*, *In re CBRM Realty Inc., et al.*, No. 25-15343 (MBK) (Bankr. D.N.J. June 2, 2025) (authorizing the employment and retention of Verita as debtor's claims and noticing agent); *In re CCA Construction, Inc.*, No. 24-22548 (CMG) (Bankr. D.N.J. Dec. 23, 2024) (same); *In re Thrasio Holdings, Inc., et al.*, No. 24-11840 (CMG) (Bankr. D.N.J. Feb. 28, 2024) (same); *In re Invitae Corp., et al.*, No. 24-11362 (MBK) (Bankr. D.N.J. Feb. 13, 2024) (same); *In re Cyxtera Techs., Inc.*, No. 23-14853 (JKS) (Bankr. D.N.J. June 6, 2023) (same); *In re Cloudeeva, Inc.*, No. 14-24874 (KCF) (Bankr. D.N.J. July 24, 2014) (same); *In re RIH Acquisitions NJ, LLC*, No. 13-34483 (GMB) (Bankr. D.N.J. Nov. 8, 2013) (same); *In re Wave2Wave Comms., Inc.*, No. 12-13896 (DHS) (Bankr. D.N.J. Mar. 29, 2012) (same); *In re the Newark Group, Inc.*, No. 10-27694 (NLW) (Bankr. D.N.J. June 6, 2010) (same); *In re Adamar of New Jersey, Inc.*, No. 09-20711 (JHW) (Bankr. D.N.J. May 1, 2009) (same); *In re Tarragon Corp.*, No. 09-10555 (DHS) (Bankr. D.N.J. Jan. 19, 2009) (same); *In re Avaya Inc.*, No. 23-90088 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Feb. 14, 2023) (same); *In re Carestream Health, Inc.*, No. 22-10778 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 24, 2022) (same); *In re First Guaranty Mortgage Corp.*, No. 22-10584 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. July 1, 2022) (same); *In re Philippine Airlines, Inc.*, No. 21-11569 (SCC) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Sept. 9, 2021) (same); *In re Superior Energy Services, Inc.*, No. 20-35812 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Dec. 8, 2020) (same); *In re Oasis Petroleum Inc.*, No. 20-34771 (MI) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Sept. 8, 2020) (same); *In re Briggs & Stratton Corp.*, No. 20-43597-399 (BSS) (Bankr. E.D. Mo. Aug. 20, 2020) (same); *In re Hi-Crush Inc.*, No. 20-33495 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. July 13, 2020) (same); *In re Extraction Oil & Gas, Inc.*, No. 20-11548 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del. June 16,

2020) (same); *In re Skillsoft Corp.*, No. 20-11532 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. June 16, 2020) (same); *In re Avianca Holdings S.A.*, No. 20-11133 (MG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. May 13, 2020) (same); *In re Speedcast International Limited*, No. 20-32243 (MI) (Bankr S.D. Tex. Apr. 24, 2020) (same); *In re the McClatchy Company*, No. 20-10418 (MEW) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 14, 2020) (same); *In re Halcon Resources Corp.*, No. 19-34446 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Aug. 7, 2019) (same); *In re Legacy Reserves Inc.*, No. 19-33395 (MI) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. June 6, 2019) (same); *In re Windstream Holdings, Inc.*, No. 19-22312 (RDD) (Bankr S.D.N.Y. Feb. 28, 2019) (same); *In re Waypoint Leasing Holdings Ltd.*, No. 18-13648 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Nov. 27, 2018) (same); *In re ATD Corp.*, No. 18-12221 (KJC) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 5, 2018) (same).

8. Appointing Verita as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases will expedite and maximize the efficiency of the distribution of notices and the processing of claims, as well as relieve the Office of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court (the "Clerk") of the administrative burden of processing an overwhelming number of claims. Prior to selecting Verita as their Claims and Noticing Agent, the Debtors solicited and reviewed engagement proposals from two other Court-approved claims and noticing agents to ensure selection through a competitive process. The Debtors submit that Verita's rates are competitive and reasonable given Verita's quality of services and expertise. The terms of Verita's engagement are set forth in the Services Agreement.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

9. This Application only pertains to the work to be performed by Verita pursuant to the Clerk's delegation of duties permitted by 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and *General Order Governing Protocol for Retention of Claims and Noticing Agents Under 28 U.S.C. Section 156(c) Pending Adoption of Local Rule*. Any work to be performed by Verita that falls outside of this scope is not

covered by this application or by any order granting approval hereof. Specifically, Verita will perform the following tasks in its capacity as Claims and Noticing Agent, as well as all quality control relating thereto:[2]

a. Prepare and serve required notices and documents in the Cases in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules in the form and manner directed by the Debtors and/or the court, including (i) notice of the commencement of the Cases and the initial meeting of creditors under Bankruptcy Code § 341(a), (ii) notice of any claims bar date, (iii) notices of transfers of claims, (iv) notices of objections to claims and objections to transfers of claims, (v) notices of any hearings on a disclosure statement and confirmation of the Debtors' plan or plans of reorganization including under Bankruptcy Rule 3017(d), (vi) notice of the effective date of any plan and (vii) all other notices, orders, pleadings, publications and other documents as the debtors or court may deem necessary or appropriate for an orderly administration of the Cases.

b. Maintain an official copy of the Debtors' schedules of assets and liabilities and statement of financial affairs (collectively, "Schedules"), listing the Debtors' known creditors and the amounts owed thereto;

c. Maintain (i) a list of all potential creditors, equity holders and other parties-in-interest; and (ii) a "core" mailing list consisting of all parties described in sections 2002(i), (j) and (k) and those parties that have filed a notice of appearance pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9010; update said lists and make said lists available upon request by a party-in-interest or the clerk;

d. Furnish a notice to all potential creditors of the last date for the filing of proofs of claim and a form for the filing of a proof of claim, after such notice and form are approved by this court, and notify said potential creditors of the existence, amount and classification of their respective claims as set forth in the schedules, which may be effected by inclusion of such information (or the lack thereof, in cases where the schedules indicate no debt due to the subject party) on a customized proof of claim form provided to potential creditors;

[2] The summary provided herein is for illustrative purposes only and is subject to the Services Agreement in all respects. In the event of any inconsistency between the Administrative Services as set forth herein and the Services Agreement, the Services Agreement will control. Capitalized terms used in this section have the meaning ascribed to them in the Services Agreement.

e. Maintain a post office box or address for the purpose of receiving claims and returned mail, and process all mail received;

f. For *all* notices, motions, orders or other pleadings or documents served, prepare an file or caused to be filed with the clerk an affidavit or certificate of service within seven (7) business days of service which includes (i) either a copy of the notice served or the docket numbers(s) and title(s) of the pleading(s) served, (ii) a list of persons to whom it was mailed (in alphabetical order) with their addresses, (iii) the manner of service, and (iv) the date served;

g. Process all proofs of claim received, including those received by the clerk's office, and check said processing for accuracy, and maintain the original proofs of claim in a secure area;

h. Maintain the official claims register for each Debtor (the "Claims Registers") on behalf of the clerk; upon the clerk's request, provide the clerk with certified, duplicate unofficial Claims Registers; and specify in the Claims Registers the following information for each claim docketed: (i) the claim number assigned, (ii) the date received, (iii) the name and address of the claimant and agent, if applicable, who filed the claim, (iv) the amount asserted, (v) the asserted classification(s) of the claim *(e.g.*, secured, unsecured, priority, *etc.)*, (vi) the applicable debtor, and (vii) any disposition of the claim;

i. Provide public access to the Claims Registers, including complete proofs of claim with attachments, if any, without charge;

j. Implement necessary security measures to ensure the completeness and integrity of the Claims Registers and the safekeeping of the original claims;

k. Record all transfers of claims and provide any notices of such transfers as required by Bankruptcy Rule 300l(e);

l. Relocate, by messenger or overnight delivery, all of the court-filed proofs of claim to the offices of Claims and Noticing Agent, not less than weekly;

m. Upon completion of the docketing process for all claims received to date for each case, turn over to the clerk copies of the claims register for the clerk's review (upon the clerk's request);

n. Monitor the court's docket for all notices of appearance, address changes, and claims-related pleadings and orders filed and make necessary notations on and/or changes to the claims register;

o. Assist in the dissemination of information to the public and respond to requests for administrative information regarding the case as directed by the debtors or the court, including through the use of a case website and/or call center.

p. If the case is converted to Chapter 7, contact the clerk's office within three (3) days of the notice to Claims and Noticing Agent of entry of the order converting the case;

q. Thirty (30) days prior to the close of these Cases, to the extent practicable, request that the Debtors submit to the court a proposed order dismissing the Claims and Noticing Agent and terminating the services of such agent upon completion of its duties and responsibilities and upon the closing of these Cases; and

r. Within seven (7) days of notice to Claims and Noticing Agent of entry of an order closing the Chapter 11 Cases, provide to the court the final version of the claims register, a digital version of all claims, and the creditor mailing matrix as of the date immediately before the close of the Cases.

10. The Claims Registers shall be open to the public for examination without charge during regular business hours and on a case-specific website maintained by Verita.

11. Claims and Noticing Agent shall not employ any past or present employee of the Debtors for work that involves the Debtors' Cases.

PROFESSIONAL COMPENSATION

12. The Debtors are proposing to compensate Verita for the Claims and Noticing Services set forth above in accordance with the Services Agreement and the rate structure attached thereto.

13. The Debtors respectfully request that the undisputed fees and expenses incurred by Verita in the performance of the above-listed services be treated as administrative expenses of the Debtors' chapter 11 estates pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and section 503(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code and be paid in the ordinary course of business without further application to or order of the Court.

14. Verita agrees to maintain records of all services, which will include dates, categories of services, fees charged, and expenses incurred, and to serve monthly invoices on the Debtors, the Office of the United States Trustee for Region 3 (the "U.S. Trustee"), counsel for the Debtors, counsel for any official committee monitoring the expenses of the Debtors, and any other party-in-interest that specifically requests service of Verita's monthly invoices. If any dispute arises relating to the Services Agreement or Verita's monthly invoices, the parties shall meet and confer in an attempt to resolve the dispute; provided that the parties may seek resolution of the matter from the Court if such efforts prove unsuccessful.

15. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors provided to Verita an advance in the amount of $20,000. Verita first seeks to apply the advance to all pre-petition invoices, and, thereafter, to have the advance replenished to the original advance amount, and, thereafter, to hold the advance during these Chapter 11 Cases as security for the payment of fees and expenses incurred pursuant to the Services Agreement.

16. Additionally, under the terms of the Services Agreement, the Debtors have agreed to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless Verita and its members, officers, employees, representatives, and agents under certain circumstances specified in the Services Agreement, except in circumstances solely resulting from Verita's gross negligence or willful misconduct or as otherwise provided in the Services Agreement or by Order of this Court. The Debtors believe that such an indemnification obligation is customary, reasonable, and necessary to retain the services of a Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases.

VERITA'S DISINTERESTEDNESS

17. Despite that the Debtors do not propose to employ Verita under section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, Verita nevertheless has reviewed its electronic database to determine

whether it has any relationships with the creditors and parties-in-interest identified by the Debtors. To the best of the Debtors' knowledge, information and belief, and except as disclosed in the Gershbein Declaration, Verita has represented that it neither holds nor represents any interests that are materially adverse to the Debtors' estates in connection with any matter on which it will be employed.

18. Moreover, in connection with its appointment as Claims and Noticing Agent, Verita represents in the Gershbein Declaration, among other things, that:

a. Verita is not a creditor of the Debtors;

b. Verita will not consider itself employed by the United States government and shall not seek any compensation from the United States government in its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases;

c. By accepting employment in these Chapter 11 Cases, Verita waives any rights to receive compensation from the United States government in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases;

d. In its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, Verita will not be an agent of the United States and will not act on behalf of the United States;

e. Verita will not employ any past or present employees of the Debtors in connection with its work as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases;

f. Verita is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the matters upon which it is to be engaged;

g. In its capacity as Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, Verita will not intentionally misrepresent any fact to any person;

h. Verita shall be under the supervision and control of the Clerk's Office with respect to the receipt and recordation of claims and claim transfers;

i. Verita will comply with all requests of the Clerk's office and the guidelines promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States for the implementation of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c); and

j. None of the services provided by Verita as Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases shall be at the expense of the Clerk's office.

19. Verita will supplement its disclosure to the Court if any facts or circumstances are discovered that would require such additional disclosure.

BASIS FOR RELIEF REQUESTED

20. Bankruptcy Rule 2002 generally regulates what notices must be given to creditors and other parties in interest in bankruptcy cases. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2002(f). Under Bankruptcy Rule 2002(f), the Court may direct that some person other than the Clerk give notice of the various matters described below. Additionally, section 156(c) of title 28 of the United States Code, which governs the staffing and expenses of bankruptcy courts, authorizes the Court to use "facilities" or "services" other than the Clerk's Office for administration of bankruptcy cases, states as follows:

> Any court may utilize facilities or services, either on or off the court's premises, which pertain to the provision of notices, dockets, calendars, and other administrative information to parties in cases filed under the provisions of title 11, United States Code, where the costs of such facilities or services are paid for out of the assets of the estate and are not charged to the United States. The utilization of such facilities or services shall be subject to such conditions and limitations as the pertinent circuit council may prescribe.

28 U.S.C. § 156(c).

21. Moreover, section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code empowers the Court to "issue any order, process or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out the provisions of this title." 11 U.S.C. § 105(a). Accordingly, the Court may rely on its general equitable powers to grant the relief requested herein.

22. The Debtors request entry of an order authorizing the appointment of Verita as their Claims and Noticing Agent, effective as of the Petition Date, the duties of which include assuming full responsibility for the distribution of notices and the maintenance, processing, and docketing of proofs of claim filed in these Chapter 11 Cases. Such relief is appropriate in light of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and in order to relieve the Court and the Clerk's Office of the heavy administrative burdens these Cases stand to impose. Specifically, although the Debtors have not yet filed their schedules of assets and liabilities, they anticipate that they will be required to provide notices to and serve documents on thousands of entities. For the foregoing reasons and considering the number of anticipated claimants and the complexity of these Chapter 11 Cases, the Debtors submit that the appointment of a Claims and Noticing Agent is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and all parties-in-interest.

23. Pursuant to the Debtors' request, Verita has agreed to serve as the Claims and Noticing Agent on and after the Petition Date with assurances that the Debtors would seek approval of its employment and retention effective as of the Petition Date, so that Verita may be compensated for its services prior to approval of this Application. Such relief is appropriate in light of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) and in order to relieve the Court and the Clerk's office of the heavy administrative burdens these Chapter 11 Cases stand to impose. The Debtors believe that no party in interest will be prejudiced by granting the employment effective as of the Petition Date, as provided in this Application, because Verita has provided and continues to provide valuable services to the Debtors' estates in the interim period. In view of the number of anticipated claimants and the complexity of these Chapter 11 Cases, the Debtors submit that the appointment of a Claims and Noticing Agent is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and all parties in interest.

24. Furthermore, the Debtors respectfully submit that the fees and expenses that would be incurred by Verita under the proposed engagement would be administrative in nature and, therefore, should not be subject to standard fee application procedures of professionals.

25. Finally, by separate application, the Debtors intend to seek authorization to retain and employ Verita as the administrative agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, pursuant to section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, because the administration of the Chapter 11 Cases will require Verita to perform duties outside the scope of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c).

BANKRUPTCY RULE 6003 HAS BEEN SATISFIED

26. Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) provides that, to the extent relief is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm, a bankruptcy court may issue an order granting "a motion to use, sell, lease, or otherwise incur an obligation regarding property of the estate, including a motion to pay all or part of a claim that arose before the filing of the petition" before twenty-one (21) days after filing of the petition. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 6003(b). As described above, the circumstances presented by these Chapter 11 Cases necessitate that Verita immediately commence work on time-sensitive matters and promptly devote resources to the Debtors' Cases. Accordingly, the Debtors have satisfied the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6003.

REQUEST FOR BANKRUPTCY RULE 6004 WAIVERS

27. The Debtors further seek a waiver of any stay of the effectiveness of the Proposed Order. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), "[a]n order authorizing the use, sale, or lease of property other than cash collateral is stayed until the expiration of 14 days after entry of the order, unless the court orders otherwise." As set forth above, the Debtors submit that granting this Application such that it is effective immediately is essential to prevent irreparable damage to the Debtors and their estates. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully submit that the relief requested

herein is appropriate under the circumstances and under Bankruptcy Rules 6003 and 6004(h). Finally, should the Court be inclined to grant the Application, the Debtors seek a waiver of the notice requirements under Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a).

WAIVER OF MEMORANDUM OF LAW

28. The Debtors respectfully request that the Court waive the requirement to file a separate memorandum of law pursuant to D.N.J. LBR 9013-1(a)(3) because the legal basis upon which the Debtors rely is set forth herein and the Motion does not raise any novel issues of law.

NO PRIOR REQUEST

29. No prior request for the relief sought in this application has been made to this Court or any other court.

NOTICE

30. Notice of this Application will be provided to: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee; (ii) the Debtors' consolidated list of 30 largest unsecured creditors; (iii) counsel for any committee appointed in this case; (iv) those persons who have formally appeared and requested notice and service in these proceedings pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 3017; and (v) all governmental agencies having a regulatory or statutory interest in these Cases (collectively, the "Notice Parties"). Based on the urgency of the circumstances surrounding this Application and the nature of the relief requested herein, the Debtors respectfully submit that no further notice is required.

CONCLUSION

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter the Order, in substantially the form submitted herewith, granting the relief requested herein and such other relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: July 22, 2026

/s/ Michael DuFrayne
Michael DuFrayne
Chief Restructuring Officer of the Debtors

EXHIBIT A
(Services Agreement)

VERITA AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

This Agreement is entered into as of the 17 day of November 2025, between Lonestar Dream Inc. (together with its affiliates and subsidiaries, the "Company"),[1] and Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global (together with its affiliates and subcontractors, "Verita"). In consideration of the premises set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Terms and Conditions

I. SERVICES

A. Verita agrees to provide the Company with consulting services regarding noticing, claims management and reconciliation, plan solicitation, balloting, disbursements and any other services agreed upon by the parties or otherwise required by applicable law, government regulations or court rules or orders.

B. Verita further agrees to provide (i) computer software support and training in the use of the support software, (ii) Verita's standard reports as well as consulting and programming support for the Company requested reports, (iii) program modifications, (iv) data base modifications, and/or (v) other features and services in accordance with the fees outlined in a pricing schedule provided to the Company (the "Verita Fee Structure").

C. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Verita may, upon request by the Company, (i) provide a communications plan including, but not limited to, preparation of communications materials, dissemination of information and a call center staffed by Verita and/or (ii) provide confidential on-line workspaces or virtual data rooms and publish documents to such workspaces or data rooms (which publication shall not be deemed to violate the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement).

D. The price listed for each service in the Verita Fee Structure represents a bona fide proposal for such services, which may be accepted in whole or in part. Services will be provided when requested by the Company or required by applicable law, government regulations or court rules or orders. Services are mutually exclusive and are deemed delivered and accepted by the Company when provided by Verita.

E. The Company acknowledges and agrees that Verita will often take direction from the Company's representatives, employees, agents and/or professionals (collectively, the "Company Parties") with respect to the services being provided under this Agreement. The parties agree that Verita may rely upon, and the Company agrees to be bound by, any requests, advice or information provided by the Company Parties to the same extent as if such requests, advice or information were provided by the Company. The Company agrees and understands that Verita shall not provide the Company or any other party with any legal advice.

II. PRICES, CHARGES AND PAYMENT

A. Verita agrees to charge and the Company agrees to pay Verita for its services at the rates and prices set by Verita that are in effect as of the date of this Agreement and in accordance with the Verita Fee Structure. Verita's prices are generally adjusted periodically to reflect changes in the business and economic environment and are inclusive of all charges. Verita reserves the right to reasonably increase its

[1] The term Company shall include, to the extent applicable, the Company, as debtor and debtor in possession in its chapter 11 case, together with any affiliated debtors and debtors in possession whose chapter 11 cases are jointly administered with the Company's chapter 11 case.

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prices, charges and rates; provided, however, that Verita will give thirty (30) days advance written notice of such proposed increase to the Company.

B. In addition to fees and charges for services, the Company agrees to pay Verita's reasonable transportation, lodging, and meal expenses incurred in connection with services provided under this Agreement.

C. In addition to all fees for services and expenses hereunder, the Company shall pay to Verita (i) any fees and charges related to, arising out of, or as a result of any error or omission made by the Company or the Company Parties, as mutually determined by Verita and the Company, and (ii) all taxes that are applicable to this Agreement or that are measured by payments made under this Agreement and are required to be collected by Verita or paid by Verita to a taxing authority.

D. Where the Company requires services that are unusual or beyond the normal business practices of Verita, or are otherwise not provided for in the Verita Fee Structure, the cost of such services shall be charged to the Company at a competitive rate.

E. Verita agrees to submit its invoices to the Company monthly and the Company agrees that the amount invoiced is due and payable upon the Company's receipt of the invoice. Verita's invoices will contain reasonably detailed descriptions of charges for both hourly (fees) and non-hourly (expenses) case specific charges. Where total invoice amounts are expected to exceed $10,000 in any single month and Verita reasonably believes it will not be paid, Verita may require advance payment from the Company due and payable upon demand and prior to the performance of services hereunder. If any amount is unpaid as of thirty (30) days from the receipt of the invoice, the Company further agrees to pay a late charge, calculated as two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) of the total amount unpaid every thirty (30) days. In the case of a dispute in the invoice amount, the Company shall give written notice to Verita within ten (10) days of receipt of the invoice by the Company. The undisputed portion of the invoice will remain due and payable immediately upon receipt of the invoice. Late charges shall not accrue on any amounts in dispute or any amounts unable to be paid due to Court order or applicable law. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing, the fees for print notice and media publication (including commissions) must be paid at least three (3) days in advance of those fees and expenses being incurred.

F. In the event that the Company files for protection pursuant to chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (a "Chapter 11 Filing"), the parties intend that Verita shall be employed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) to the extent possible and otherwise in accordance with applicable Bankruptcy law and that all amounts due under this Agreement shall, to the extent possible, be paid as administrative expenses of the Company's chapter 11 estate. As soon as practicable following a Chapter 11 Filing (and otherwise in accordance with applicable law and rules and orders of the Bankruptcy Court), the Company shall cause pleadings to be filed with the Bankruptcy Court seeking entry of an order or orders approving this Agreement (the "Retention Order"). The form and substance of the pleadings and the Retention Order shall be reasonably acceptable to Verita. If any Company chapter 11 case converts to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, Verita will continue to be paid for its services in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The parties recognize and agree that if there is a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the Retention Order, the terms of the Retention Order shall govern during the chapter 11 or other proceeding.

G. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Verita shall receive a retainer in the amount of $30,000 (the "Retainer") that may be held by Verita as security for the Company's payment obligations under the Agreement. The Retainer is due upon execution of this Agreement. In the event of a Chapter 11 Filing,

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Verita will first apply the Retainer to all pre-petition invoices, and thereafter, will have the Retainer replenished to the original amount. Verita shall be entitled to hold the Retainer until the termination of the Agreement. Following termination of the Agreement, Verita shall return to the Company any amount of the Retainer that remains following application of the Retainer to the payment of unpaid invoices.

III. RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP

A. The parties understand that the software programs and other materials furnished by Verita pursuant to this Agreement and/or developed during the course of this Agreement by Verita are the sole property of Verita. The term "program" shall include, without limitation, data processing programs, specifications, applications, routines, and documentation. The Company agrees not to copy or permit others to copy the source code from the support software or any other programs or materials furnished pursuant to this Agreement.

B. The Company further agrees that any ideas, concepts, know-how or techniques relating to data processing or Verita's performance of its services developed or utilized during the term of this Agreement by Verita shall be the exclusive property of Verita. Fees and expenses paid by the Company do not vest in the Company any rights in such property, it being understood that such property is only being made available for the Company's use during and in connection with the services provided by Verita under this Agreement.

IV. NON-SOLICITATION

The Company agrees that neither it nor its subsidiaries or other affiliated companies shall directly or indirectly solicit for employment, employ or otherwise retain employees of Verita during the term of this Agreement and for a period of twelve (12) months after termination of this Agreement unless Verita provides prior written consent to such solicitation or retention.

V. CONFIDENTIALITY

Each of Verita and the Company, on behalf of themselves and their respective employees, agents, professionals and representatives, agrees to keep confidential all non-public records, systems, procedures, software and other information received from the other party in connection with the services provided under this Agreement; provided, however, that if either party reasonably believes that it is required to produce any such information by order of any governmental agency or other regulatory body it may, upon not less than five (5) business days' written notice to the other party, release the required information.

VI. SUSPENSION OF SERVICE AND TERMINATION

A. This Agreement shall remain in force until terminated or suspended by either party (i) upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party or (ii) immediately upon written notice for Cause (defined herein). As used herein, the term "Cause" means (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct of Verita that causes serious and material harm to the Company's reorganization under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) the failure of the Company to pay Verita invoices for more than sixty (60) days from the date of invoice, or (iii) the accrual of invoices or unpaid services in excess of the retainer held by Verita where Verita reasonably believes it will not be paid.

B. In the event that this contract is terminated, regardless of the reason for such termination, Verita shall coordinate with the Company and, to the extent applicable, the clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, to

maintain an orderly transfer of record keeping functions and Verita shall provide all necessary staff, services and assistance required for an orderly transfer. The Company agrees to pay for such services in accordance with Verita's then existing prices for such services. If such termination occurs following entry of the Retention Order, the Company shall immediately seek entry of an order (in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Verita) that discharges Verita from service and responsibility in the Company's bankruptcy case.

C. Any data, programs, storage media or other materials furnished by the Company to Verita or received by Verita in connection with the services provided under the terms of this Agreement may be retained by Verita until the services provided are paid for, or until this Agreement is terminated with the services paid in full. The Company shall remain liable for all fees and expenses imposed under this Agreement as a result of data or physical media maintained or stored by Verita. Verita shall dispose of the data and media in the manner requested by the Company. The Company agrees to pay Verita for reasonable expenses incurred as a result of the disposition of data or media. If the Company has not utilized Verita's services under this Agreement for a period of at least ninety (90) days, Verita may dispose of the data or media, and be reimbursed by the Company for the expense of such disposition, after giving the Company thirty (30) days' notice. Notwithstanding any term herein to the contrary, following entry of the Retention Order, the disposition of any data or media by Verita shall be in accordance with any applicable instructions from the clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, local Bankruptcy Court rules and orders of the Bankruptcy Court.

VII. SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Verita strives to provide continuous improvements in the quality of service to its clients. Verita, therefore, reserves the right to make changes in operating procedure, operating systems, programming languages, general purpose library programs, application programs, time period of accessibility, types of terminal and other equipment and the Verita data center serving the Company, so long as any such changes do not materially interfere with ongoing services provided to the Company in connection with the Company's chapter 11 case.

VIII. BANK ACCOUNTS

At the Company's request and subject to Court approval following any chapter 11 filing, Verita may be authorized to establish accounts with financial institutions in the name of and as agent for the Company. To the extent that certain financial products are provided to the Company pursuant to Verita's agreement with financial institutions, Verita may receive compensation from such financial institutions for the services Verita provides pursuant to such agreement.

IX. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

A. The Company shall indemnify and hold Verita, its affiliates, members, directors, officers, employees, consultants, subcontractors and agents (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, judgments, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) (collectively, "Losses") resulting from, arising out of or related to Verita's performance under this Agreement. Such indemnification shall exclude Losses resulting from Verita's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Losses include any liabilities resulting from claims by any third-parties against any Indemnified Party. The Company shall notify Verita in writing promptly upon the assertion, threat or commencement of any claim, action, investigation or proceeding that the Company becomes aware of with

respect to the services provided by Verita under this Agreement. The Company's indemnification obligations hereunder shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

B. Except as provided herein, Verita's liability to the Company or any person making a claim through or under the Company for any Losses of any kind, even if Verita has been advised of the possibility of such Losses, whether direct or indirect and unless due to gross negligence or willful misconduct of Verita, shall be limited to the total amount billed or billable to the Company for the portion of the particular work which gave rise to the alleged Loss. In no event shall Verita be liable for any indirect, special or consequential damages such as loss of anticipated profits or other economic loss in connection with or arising out of the services provided for in this Agreement. In no event shall Verita's liability to the Company for any Losses, excluding Losses resulting from Verita's gross negligence or wilful misconduct, whether direct or indirect, arising out of this Agreement exceed the total amount billed to the Company and actually paid to Verita for the services contemplated under the Agreement; provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to the Company during any chapter 11 case in which the Company is a debtor.

C. The Company is responsible for the accuracy of the programs, data and information it or any Company Party submits for processing to Verita and for the output of such information. Verita does not verify information provided by the Company and, with respect to the preparation of schedules and statements, all decisions are at the sole discretion and direction of the Company. The Company reviews and approves all schedules and statements filed on behalf of, or by, the Company; Verita bears no responsibility for the accuracy or contents therein. The Company agrees to initiate and maintain backup files that would allow the Company to regenerate or duplicate all programs and data submitted by the Company to Verita.

D. The Company agrees that except as expressly set forth herein, Verita makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including, but not limited to, any implied or express warranty of merchantability, fitness or adequacy for a particular purpose or use, quality, productiveness or capacity.

X. FORCE MAJEURE

Verita will not be liable for any delay or failure in performance when such delay or failure arises from circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation acts of God, acts of government in its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of public enemy or terrorists, acts of civil or military authority, war, riots, civil strife, terrorism, blockades, sabotage, rationing, embargoes, epidemics, pandemics, outbreaks of infectious diseases or any other public health crises, earthquakes, fire, flood, other natural disaster, quarantine or any other employee restrictions, power shortages or failures, utility or communication failure or delays, labor disputes, strikes, or shortages, supply shortages, equipment failures, or software malfunctions.

XI. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

The Company and Verita are and shall be independent contractors of each other and no agency, partnership, joint venture or employment relationship shall arise, directly or indirectly, as a result of this Agreement.

XII. NOTICES

All notices and requests in connection with this Agreement shall be given or made upon the respective parties in writing and shall be deemed as given as of the third day following the day it is deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid or on the day it is given if sent by facsimile or electronic mail or on the day

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after the day it is sent if sent by overnight courier to the appropriate address set forth below:

KCC/Verita Global, LLC
222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, 3rd Floor
El Segundo, CA 90245
Attn: Drake D. Foster
Tel: (310) 823-9000
Fax: (310) 823-9133
E-Mail: dfoster@veritaglobal.com

Lonestar Dream, Inc.
3415 Greystone Dr., STE 205, Austin, TX 78731
Attn: Kathy Zhang, COO
Tel: 737-275-9444
Email: kathy.z@lonestardream.us

Or to such other address as the party to receive the notice or request so designates by written notice to the other.

XIII. APPLICABLE LAW

The validity, enforceability, and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

XIV. ENTIRE AGREEMENT/ MODIFICATIONS

Each party acknowledges that it has read this Agreement, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its terms and further agrees that it is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties, which supersedes and merges all prior proposals, understandings, other agreements, and communications oral and written between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. The Company represents that it has the authority to enter into this Agreement, and the Agreement is non-dischargeable under any applicable statute or law. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall in no way be affected or impaired thereby. This Agreement may be modified only by a written instrument duly executed by an authorized representative of the Company and an officer of Verita.

XV. COUNTERPARTS; EFFECTIVENESS

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement will become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties, which delivery may be made by exchange of copies of the signature page by facsimile or electronic mail.

XVI. ASSIGNMENT

This Agreement and the rights and duties hereunder shall not be assignable by the parties hereto except upon written consent of the other, with the exception that this Agreement can be assigned without written consent by Verita to a wholly-owned subsidiary or affiliate of Verita.

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XVII. ATTORNEYS' FEES

In the event that any legal action, including an action for declaratory relief, is brought to enforce the performance or interpret the provisions of this Agreement, the parties agree to reimburse the prevailing party's reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, and all other related expenses, which may be set by the court in the same action or in a separate action brought for that purpose, in addition to any other relief to which the prevailing party may be entitled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement effective as of the first date mentioned above.

Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global

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Evan J. Gershbein
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TITLE: CEO
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EXHIBIT B
(Gershbein Declaration)

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In re:

POOLIN TECHNOLOGY PTE. LTD., *et al.*, [1]

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 26-18325

(Joint Administration Requested)

Hearing Date: TBD – Shortened Notice Requested

DECLARATION OF EVAN GERSHBEIN IN SUPPORT OF DEBTORS' APPLICATION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT AND RETENTION OF KURTZMAN CARSON CONSULTANTS, LLC DBA VERITA GLOBAL AS ADMINISTRATIVE ADVISOR EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

I, Evan Gershbein, being duly sworn, declare the following under penalty of perjury:

[1] The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtors' federal tax identification number, are: Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd., a Singapore Private Limited Company; Lonestar Dream Inc. (5105); and Lonestar Taproot LLC (4118). The location of the Debtors' service address for purposes of these Chapter 11 Cases is: c/o Michael DuFrayne, CRO, 2564 US Highway 1, PMB #16884166, Lawrence, NJ 08648.

1. I am an Executive Vice President for Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global ("Verita"), whose offices are located at 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, 3rd Floor, El Segundo, CA 90245. Except as otherwise noted, the matters set forth herein are made of my own personal knowledge and, if called and sworn as a witness, I could and would testify competently thereto.

2. I submit this declaration (this "Declaration") in support of the *Debtors' Application for Entry of An Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global as Claims and Noticing Agent Nunc Pro Tunc to the Petition Date*, which was filed contemporaneously herewith (the "Application").[1]

3. I am not being specifically compensated for this testimony other than through payments received by Verita as a professional retained by the Debtors. I am over the age of 18 years and authorized to submit this Declaration on behalf of Verita.

VERITA'S QUALIFICATIONS AS NOTICING AND CLAIMS AGENT

4. Verita is a leading chapter 11 administrator and comprises industry professionals with significant experience in both the legal and administrative aspects of large, complex chapter 11 cases. Verita has acted as official claims and noticing agent in many large bankruptcy cases in this district and others. *See, e.g., In re Thrasio Holdings, Inc., et al.,* No. 24-11840 (CMG) (Bankr. D.N.J. Feb. 28, 2024) (authorizing employment and retention of Verita as debtors' claims and noticing agent); *In re Invitae Corp., et al.*, No. 24-11362 (MBK) (Bankr. D.N.J. Feb. 13, 2024) (same); *In re Cyxtera Techs., Inc.*, No. 23-14853 (JKS) (Bankr. D.N.J. June 6, 2023) (same); *In re Cloudeeva, Inc.*, No. 14-24874 (KCF) (Bankr. D.N.J. July 24, 2014) (same); *In re RIH Acquisitions*

[8] Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Application

NJ, LLC, No. 13-34483 (GMB) (Bankr. D.N.J. Nov. 8, 2013) (same); *In re Wave2Wave Comms., Inc.*, No. 12-13896 (DHS) (Bankr. D.N.J. Mar. 29, 2012) (same); *In re the Newark Group, Inc.*, No. 10-27694 (NLW) (Bankr. D.N.J. June 6, 2010) (same); *In re Adamar of New Jersey, Inc.*, No. 09-20711 (JHW) (Bankr. D.N.J. May 1, 2009) (same); *In re Tarragon Corp.*, No. 09-10555 (DHS) (Bankr. D.N.J. Jan. 19, 2009) (same); *In re Avaya Inc.*, No. 23-90088 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Feb. 14, 2023) (same); *In re Carestream Health, Inc.*, No. 22-10778 (JKS) (Bankr. D. Del. Aug. 24, 2022) (same); *In re First Guaranty Mortgage Corp.*, No. 22-10584 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. July 1, 2022) (same); *In re Philippine Airlines, Inc.*, No. 21-11569 (SCC) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Sept. 9, 2021) (same); *In re Superior Energy Services, Inc.*, No. 20-35812 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Dec. 8, 2020) (same); *In re Oasis Petroleum Inc.*, No. 20-34771 (MI) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Sept. 8, 2020) (same); *In re Briggs & Stratton Corp.*, No. 20-43597-399 (BSS) (Bankr. E.D. Mo. Aug. 20, 2020) (same); *In re Hi-Crush Inc.*, No. 20-33495 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. July 13, 2020) (same); *In re Extraction Oil & Gas, Inc.*, No. 20-11548 (CSS) (Bankr. D. Del. June 16, 2020) (same); *In re Skillsoft Corp.*, No. 20-11532 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. June 16, 2020) (same); *In re Avianca Holdings S.A.*, No. 20-11133 (MG) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. May 13, 2020) (same); *In re Speedcast International Limited*, No. 20-32243 (MI) (Bankr S.D. Tex. Apr. 24, 2020) (same); *In re the McClatchy Company*, No. 20-10418 (MEW) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 14, 2020) (same); *In re Halcon Resources Corp.*, No. 19-34446 (DRJ) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. Aug. 7, 2019) (same); *In re Legacy Reserves Inc.*, No. 19-33395 (MI) (Bankr. S.D. Tex. June 6, 2019) (same); *In re Windstream Holdings, Inc.*, No. 19-22312 (RDD) (Bankr S.D.N.Y. Feb. 28, 2019) (same); *In re Waypoint Leasing Holdings Ltd.*, No. 18-13648 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Nov. 27, 2018) (same); *In re ATD Corp.*, No. 18-12221 (KJC) (Bankr. D. Del. Oct. 5, 2018) (same).

5. As agent and custodian of the Court records pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c), Verita will perform, at the request of the Clerk, the noticing and claims related services specified in the Application and the Services Agreement, and at the Debtors' request, such other noticing, claims, administrative, technical and support services specified in the Application and the Services Agreement.

6. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors provided Verita a retainer in the amount of $20,000. Verita seeks to first apply the retainer to all prepetition invoices and, thereafter, to have the retainer replenished to the original retainer amount, and thereafter, to hold the retainer under the Services Agreement during the Chapter 11 Cases as security for the payment of fees and expenses incurred under the Services Agreement.

7. In connection with its retention as Claims and Noticing Agent, Verita represents, among other things, the following:

a. Verita is not a creditor of the Debtors;

b. Verita will not consider itself employed by the United States government and shall not seek any compensation from the United States government in its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases;

c. By accepting employment in these Chapter 11 Cases, Verita waives any rights to receive compensation from the United States government in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases;

d. In its capacity as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, Verita will not be an agent of the United States and will not act on behalf of the United States;

e. Verita will not employ any past or present employees of the Debtors in connection with its work as the Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases;

f. Verita is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the matters upon which it is to be engaged;

g. In its capacity as Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases, Verita will not intentionally misrepresent any fact to any person;

h. Verita shall be under the supervision and control of the Clerk's Office with respect to the receipt and recordation of claims and claim transfers;

i. Verita will comply with all requests of the Clerk's office and the guidelines promulgated by the Judicial Conference of the United States for the implementation of 28 U.S.C. § 156(c); and

j. None of the services provided by Verita as Claims and Noticing Agent in these Chapter 11 Cases shall be at the expense of the Clerk's office.

8. Although the Debtors do not propose to retain Verita under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code, I caused to be submitted for review by our conflicts system the names of all the potential parties-in-interest (the "Potential Parties-in-Interest") in these Chapter 11 Cases. The list of Potential Parties-in-Interest was provided by the Debtors, and the results of the conflict check were compiled and reviewed by Verita professionals under my supervision. Based on this review, Verita is not aware of any connection to disclose as part of the Application other than as described below. Should Verita discover any new relevant or relationships bearing on the matters described herein during the period of its retention, Verita will use reasonable efforts to promptly file a supplemental declaration.

9. To the best of my knowledge, none of Verita's employees are related to bankruptcy judges in the District of New Jersey, the Office of the U.S. Trustee for Region 3, any attorney known by Verita to be employed in the Office of the U.S. Trustee serving the District of New Jersey or are equity security holders of the Debtors.

10. To the best of my knowledge and based solely upon information provided to me by the Debtors, and except as provided herein, neither Verita, nor any of its professionals, has any materially adverse connection to the Debtors, their creditors, or other relevant parties. Verita may have relationships with certain of the Debtors' estates with respect to any matter upon which Verita is to be engaged. Certain of the Debtors' creditors may be involved as vendors in cases in which Verita serves or has served in a neutral capacity as claims and noticing agent and/or administrative advisor for another chapter 11 debtor.

11. On May 1, 2023, funds affiliated with GCP Capital Partners LLC ("GCP") indirectly acquired a controlling equity interest in Verita (the "Acquisition"). Pursuant to the Acquisition, an indirect, non-controlling, beneficial minority interest in Verita was acquired by funds affiliated with J.P. Morgan Investment Management Inc. ("JPMIM"). GCP is a middle-market private equity investment firm based in New York. GCP has made investments in a number of industries, including tech-enabled business services, payments, and select financials. JPMIM is a U.S. registered investment adviser. Designees of GCP are members of the Board of Managers (the "Board") of Verita's ultimate parent company, KCC Parent LLC ("Parent"). Parent wholly owns Verita Intermediate, LLC, which in turn wholly owns Verita Global, LLC, which in turn wholly owns Verita Global Services, LLC, which in turn wholly owns Verita. One representative of JPMIM is entitled to attend and observe (but not vote) at all meetings of the Board, but no designee of JPMIM is a member of the Board.

12. Verita searched all entities listed in the list of Potential Parties in Interest against an internal database that includes (i) Verita's parent entities, affiliates, and subsidiaries and (ii) GCP, GCP's funds, and each such fund's respective portfolio companies and investments as set

forth in the list most recently provided to Verita by GCP. Based solely on the foregoing search, Verita has determined, to the best of its knowledge, that there are no material connections.

13. To the extent Verita learns of any other connections between the funds or investments included in the above-described conflicts search and the Debtors, Verita will promptly file a supplemental disclosure. In addition, Verita may have had, may currently have, or may in the future have business relationships unrelated to the Debtors with one or more GCP or JPMIM entities including, among others, portfolio companies of GCP.

14. Verita has and will continue to represent clients in matters unrelated to these Chapter 11 Cases. In addition, Verita and its personnel have and will continue to have relationships in the ordinary course of its business with certain vendors, professionals, and other parties-in-interest that may be involved in the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases.

15. Verita may also provide professional services to entities or persons that may be creditors or parties-in-interest in these Chapter 11 Cases, which services do not directly relate to, or have any direct connection with, these Chapter 11 Cases or the Debtors. Verita may have relationships with other professionals to be retained by the Debtors.

16. Based on the foregoing, I believe that Verita is a "disinterested person" as that term is defined in section 101(14) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect to the matters upon which it is to be engaged. Moreover, to the best of my knowledge and belief, neither Verita nor any of its employees hold or represent any interest materially adverse to the Debtors' estates with respect to any matter upon which Verita is to be engaged.

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746, I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct to the best of my information, knowledge, and belief.

Dated: July 21, 2026



Evan Gershbein
Executive Vice President
Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC *dba*
Verita Global

EXHIBIT C
(Proposed Order)

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

Caption in Compliance with D.N.J. LBR 9004-1(b)

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In re:

POOLIN TECHNOLOGY PTE. LTD., *et al.*, [1]

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 26-18325

(Joint Administration Requested)

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE EMPLOYMENT AND RETENTION OF DUFRAYNE LLC AS INVESTMENT BANKER EFFECTIVE AS OF THE PETITION DATE

The relief set forth on the following pages, numbered two (2) through seven (7), is hereby

ORDERED

[1] The Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtors' federal tax identification number, are: Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd., a Singapore Private Limited Company; Lonestar Dream Inc. (5105); and Lonestar Taproot LLC (4118). The location of the Debtors' service address for purposes of these Chapter 11 Cases is: c/o Michael DuFrayne, CRO, 2564 US Highway 1, PMB #16884166, Lawrence, NJ 08648.

Upon the application (the "Application")[2] of Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd. and its subsidiaries, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Debtors"), for an order authorizing the retention and employment of DuFrayne LLC ("DuFrayne") as investment banker in their Chapter 11 Cases, pursuant to the terms of the Engagement Agreement, effective as of the Petition Date, as more fully set forth in the Application; and the Court having jurisdiction to decide the Application and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157(a)-(b) and 1334(b) and the *Standing Order of Reference to the Bankruptcy Court Under Title 11*, entered September 18, 2012 (Simandle, C.J.); and consideration of the Application and the relief requested therein being a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and notice of the Application having been given as provided in the Application, and such notice having been adequate and appropriate under the circumstances; and it appearing that no other or further notice of the Application need be provided; and the Court having held a hearing to consider the relief requested in the Application (the "Hearing"); and upon the DuFrayne Declaration filed contemporaneously with the Application, and upon the record of the Hearing, and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having found and determined that the relief sought in the Application and granted herein is necessary and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their respective estates and creditors, and all parties-in-interest, and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor; **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT**:

[2] Capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Application.

Debtors: Poolin Technology Pte. Ltd., *et al.*
Case No. 26-18325
Caption of Order: Order Authorizing the Employment and Retention of Dufrayne LLC as Investment Banker Effective as of the Petition Date

1. The Application is **GRANTED** as set forth herein.

2. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 327(a), 328, 330, 331, and 1107, Bankruptcy Rules 2014 and 2016, and Local Rules 2014-1 and 2016-1, to retain and employ DuFrayne as investment banker to the Debtors in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Engagement Agreement, as modified herein, effective as of the Petition Date.

3. The terms of the Engagement Agreement in the form attached to the Application as **Exhibit A** are approved in all respects except as limited or modified herein.

4. All of DuFrayne's compensation set forth in the Engagement Agreement is approved pursuant to section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, and DuFrayne shall be compensated and reimbursed pursuant to section 328(a) of the Bankruptcy Code in accordance with the terms of the Engagement Agreement, subject to the procedures set forth in the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Local Rules, and any other applicable orders of the Court.

5. None of the compensation payable to DuFrayne hereunder shall constitute a "bonus" or enhancement under applicable law.

6. DuFrayne shall file one or more interim applications for allowance and payment of compensation, as appropriate, and an application for final allowance of compensation for services and reimbursement of expenses, in each case pursuant to the procedures set forth in sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code; *provided, however*, the final fee application filed by DuFrayne shall be subject to review only pursuant to the standard of review under section 328 of the Bankruptcy Code and not subject to the standard of review set forth in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code; *provided further*, that in light of the services to be provided and the compensation structure set forth under the Engagement Agreement, DuFrayne and its

professionals are hereby excused from the requirement to maintain or provide detailed time records in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 2016(a), Bankruptcy Local Rule 2016-1, and the U.S. Trustee Guidelines. DuFrayne shall maintain and provide reasonably detailed records of services rendered to the Debtors, including summary descriptions of those services, the time expended in providing those services in approximate half-hour increments, and the identity of the individuals who provided services, and will present such records together with its fee applications filed with the Court.

7. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Order, the Application and Engagement Agreement, the U.S. Trustee shall retain the right and be entitled to object to DuFrayne's compensation and expenses based on the reasonableness standard provided for in section 330 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors and DuFrayne further stipulate and agree that this Order and the record relating to the Court's consideration of the Application shall not prejudice or otherwise affect the rights of the U.S. Trustee to challenge the reasonableness of DuFrayne's compensation and reimbursement requests under sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code. Accordingly, nothing in this Order or the record shall constitute a finding of fact or conclusion of law binding on the U.S. Trustee, on appeal or otherwise, with respect to the reasonableness of DuFrayne's fees and compensation.

8. All such fees and expenses paid or payable to DuFrayne during these Cases in its capacity as investment banker shall remain subject to disgorgement unless and until approved by the Court on a final basis after the Court's consideration of DuFrayne's final fee application.

9. In the event that, during the pendency of these cases, DuFrayne requests reimbursement for any attorneys' fees and/or expenses, the invoices and supporting time records

from such attorneys shall be included in DuFrayne's fee applications, and such invoices and time records shall be in compliance with Bankruptcy Local Rules 2016-1 and be subject to the U.S. Trustee Guidelines and approval of the Court under the standards of sections 330 and 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, without regard to whether such attorney has been retained under section 327 of the Bankruptcy Code and without regard to whether such attorney's services satisfy section 330(a)(3)(C) of the Bankruptcy Code. Notwithstanding the foregoing, DuFrayne shall only be reimbursed for any legal fees incurred in connection with these Chapter 11 Cases to the extent permitted under applicable law and the decisions of this Court.

10. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing in this Order shall be construed to limit, restrict, modify or impair the Debtors' ability, if and to the extent authorized by further order of this Court, to pay DuFrayne separate compensation for services rendered in any other capacity, including as chief restructuring officer.

11. The Debtors shall be bound by the indemnification, contribution, reimbursement, exculpation, and other provisions of the Engagement Agreement and will indemnify and hold harmless DuFrayne pursuant to the Engagement Agreement, during the pendency of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases until the earlier of (i) the effective date of a chapter 11 plan approved by the Court and (ii) the entry of an order closing these chapter 11 cases, subject to the following:

a. The indemnified parties under the Engagement Agreement shall not be entitled to indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement pursuant to the Engagement Agreement for services, unless such services and the indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement are approved by this Court;

b. The Debtors shall have no obligation to indemnify any party, or provide contribution or reimbursement to any party, for any claim or expense that is either: (i) judicially determined (the determination having become final) to have arisen from any such party's gross negligence, fraud, willful

misconduct, breach of fiduciary duty, if any, bad faith, or self-dealing; (ii) for a contractual dispute in which the Debtors allege the breach of such party's contractual obligations, unless the Court determines that indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement would be permissible pursuant to *In re United Artists Theatre Company*, 315 F.3d 217 (3d Cir. 2003); or (iii) settled prior to a judicial determination as to the exclusions set forth in the clauses (i) and (ii) above, but determined by this Court, after notice and a hearing, to be a claim or expense for which the relevant party should not receive indemnity, contribution, or reimbursement under the terms of the Engagement Agreement; and

c. If, before the earlier of (i) the entry of an order confirming a chapter 11 plan in these cases (such order having become a final order no longer subject to appeal) and (ii) the entry of an order closing these cases, any party believes that it is entitled to the payment of any amounts by the Debtors on account of the Debtors' indemnification, contribution and/or reimbursement obligations under the Engagement Agreement (as modified by this Order), including, without limitation, the advancement of defense costs, such party must file an application in this Court, and the Debtors must not pay any such amounts to such indemnified party before the entry of an order by this Court approving the payment. This subparagraph (c) is intended only to specify the period of time under which this Court shall have jurisdiction over any request for fees and expenses by such parties for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement, and is not a provision limiting the duration of the Debtors' obligation to indemnify such parties. All parties-in-interest shall retain the right to object to any demand for indemnification, contribution, or reimbursement.

12. Any limitation of liability pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth in the Engagement Agreement, or otherwise, is hereby eliminated for the duration of these Cases.

13. The relief granted herein shall be binding upon any chapter 11 trustee appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases, or upon any chapter 7 trustee appointed in the event of a subsequent conversion of these Chapter 11 Cases to cases under chapter 7.

14. DuFrayne shall use its best efforts to avoid any duplication of services provided by any of the Debtors' other retained professionals in these cases.

15. The Debtors and DuFrayne are authorized to take all steps necessary or appropriate

to carry out this Order.

16. To the extent that there may be any inconsistency between the terms of the Application, the Engagement Agreement, and this Order, the terms of this Order shall govern.

17. The requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6003(b) have been satisfied or are otherwise deemed waived.

18. The requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) are waived.

19. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Order shall be immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.

20. Any party may move for modification of this Order in accordance with D.N.J. LBR 9013-5(e).

21. Notice of the Application as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Application and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.

22. The requirement set forth in Local Rule 9013-1(a)(3) that any motion be accompanied by a memorandum of law is hereby deemed satisfied by the contents of the Application or otherwise waived.

23. The Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation of this Order.

EXHIBIT 1
(Services Agreement)

VERITA AGREEMENT FOR SERVICES

This Agreement is entered into as of the 17 day of November 2025, between Lonestar Dream Inc. (together with its affiliates and subsidiaries, the "Company"),[1] and Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global (together with its affiliates and subcontractors, "Verita"). In consideration of the premises set forth herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows:

Terms and Conditions

I. SERVICES

A. Verita agrees to provide the Company with consulting services regarding noticing, claims management and reconciliation, plan solicitation, balloting, disbursements and any other services agreed upon by the parties or otherwise required by applicable law, government regulations or court rules or orders.

B. Verita further agrees to provide (i) computer software support and training in the use of the support software, (ii) Verita's standard reports as well as consulting and programming support for the Company requested reports, (iii) program modifications, (iv) data base modifications, and/or (v) other features and services in accordance with the fees outlined in a pricing schedule provided to the Company (the "Verita Fee Structure").

C. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Verita may, upon request by the Company, (i) provide a communications plan including, but not limited to, preparation of communications materials, dissemination of information and a call center staffed by Verita and/or (ii) provide confidential on-line workspaces or virtual data rooms and publish documents to such workspaces or data rooms (which publication shall not be deemed to violate the confidentiality provisions of this Agreement).

D. The price listed for each service in the Verita Fee Structure represents a bona fide proposal for such services, which may be accepted in whole or in part. Services will be provided when requested by the Company or required by applicable law, government regulations or court rules or orders. Services are mutually exclusive and are deemed delivered and accepted by the Company when provided by Verita.

E. The Company acknowledges and agrees that Verita will often take direction from the Company's representatives, employees, agents and/or professionals (collectively, the "Company Parties") with respect to the services being provided under this Agreement. The parties agree that Verita may rely upon, and the Company agrees to be bound by, any requests, advice or information provided by the Company Parties to the same extent as if such requests, advice or information were provided by the Company. The Company agrees and understands that Verita shall not provide the Company or any other party with any legal advice.

II. PRICES, CHARGES AND PAYMENT

A. Verita agrees to charge and the Company agrees to pay Verita for its services at the rates and prices set by Verita that are in effect as of the date of this Agreement and in accordance with the Verita Fee Structure. Verita's prices are generally adjusted periodically to reflect changes in the business and economic environment and are inclusive of all charges. Verita reserves the right to reasonably increase its

[1] The term Company shall include, to the extent applicable, the Company, as debtor and debtor in possession in its chapter 11 case, together with any affiliated debtors and debtors in possession whose chapter 11 cases are jointly administered with the Company's chapter 11 case.

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prices, charges and rates; provided, however, that Verita will give thirty (30) days advance written notice of such proposed increase to the Company.

B. In addition to fees and charges for services, the Company agrees to pay Verita's reasonable transportation, lodging, and meal expenses incurred in connection with services provided under this Agreement.

C. In addition to all fees for services and expenses hereunder, the Company shall pay to Verita (i) any fees and charges related to, arising out of, or as a result of any error or omission made by the Company or the Company Parties, as mutually determined by Verita and the Company, and (ii) all taxes that are applicable to this Agreement or that are measured by payments made under this Agreement and are required to be collected by Verita or paid by Verita to a taxing authority.

D. Where the Company requires services that are unusual or beyond the normal business practices of Verita, or are otherwise not provided for in the Verita Fee Structure, the cost of such services shall be charged to the Company at a competitive rate.

E. Verita agrees to submit its invoices to the Company monthly and the Company agrees that the amount invoiced is due and payable upon the Company's receipt of the invoice. Verita's invoices will contain reasonably detailed descriptions of charges for both hourly (fees) and non-hourly (expenses) case specific charges. Where total invoice amounts are expected to exceed $10,000 in any single month and Verita reasonably believes it will not be paid, Verita may require advance payment from the Company due and payable upon demand and prior to the performance of services hereunder. If any amount is unpaid as of thirty (30) days from the receipt of the invoice, the Company further agrees to pay a late charge, calculated as two and one-half percent (2-1/2%) of the total amount unpaid every thirty (30) days. In the case of a dispute in the invoice amount, the Company shall give written notice to Verita within ten (10) days of receipt of the invoice by the Company. The undisputed portion of the invoice will remain due and payable immediately upon receipt of the invoice. Late charges shall not accrue on any amounts in dispute or any amounts unable to be paid due to Court order or applicable law. Unless otherwise agreed to in writing, the fees for print notice and media publication (including commissions) must be paid at least three (3) days in advance of those fees and expenses being incurred.

F. In the event that the Company files for protection pursuant to chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code (a "Chapter 11 Filing"), the parties intend that Verita shall be employed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 156(c) to the extent possible and otherwise in accordance with applicable Bankruptcy law and that all amounts due under this Agreement shall, to the extent possible, be paid as administrative expenses of the Company's chapter 11 estate. As soon as practicable following a Chapter 11 Filing (and otherwise in accordance with applicable law and rules and orders of the Bankruptcy Court), the Company shall cause pleadings to be filed with the Bankruptcy Court seeking entry of an order or orders approving this Agreement (the "Retention Order"). The form and substance of the pleadings and the Retention Order shall be reasonably acceptable to Verita. If any Company chapter 11 case converts to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, Verita will continue to be paid for its services in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The parties recognize and agree that if there is a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the terms of the Retention Order, the terms of the Retention Order shall govern during the chapter 11 or other proceeding.

G. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Verita shall receive a retainer in the amount of $30,000 (the "Retainer") that may be held by Verita as security for the Company's payment obligations under the Agreement. The Retainer is due upon execution of this Agreement. In the event of a Chapter 11 Filing,

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Verita will first apply the Retainer to all pre-petition invoices, and thereafter, will have the Retainer replenished to the original amount. Verita shall be entitled to hold the Retainer until the termination of the Agreement. Following termination of the Agreement, Verita shall return to the Company any amount of the Retainer that remains following application of the Retainer to the payment of unpaid invoices.

III. RIGHTS OF OWNERSHIP

A. The parties understand that the software programs and other materials furnished by Verita pursuant to this Agreement and/or developed during the course of this Agreement by Verita are the sole property of Verita. The term "program" shall include, without limitation, data processing programs, specifications, applications, routines, and documentation. The Company agrees not to copy or permit others to copy the source code from the support software or any other programs or materials furnished pursuant to this Agreement.

B. The Company further agrees that any ideas, concepts, know-how or techniques relating to data processing or Verita's performance of its services developed or utilized during the term of this Agreement by Verita shall be the exclusive property of Verita. Fees and expenses paid by the Company do not vest in the Company any rights in such property, it being understood that such property is only being made available for the Company's use during and in connection with the services provided by Verita under this Agreement.

IV. NON-SOLICITATION

The Company agrees that neither it nor its subsidiaries or other affiliated companies shall directly or indirectly solicit for employment, employ or otherwise retain employees of Verita during the term of this Agreement and for a period of twelve (12) months after termination of this Agreement unless Verita provides prior written consent to such solicitation or retention.

V. CONFIDENTIALITY

Each of Verita and the Company, on behalf of themselves and their respective employees, agents, professionals and representatives, agrees to keep confidential all non-public records, systems, procedures, software and other information received from the other party in connection with the services provided under this Agreement; provided, however, that if either party reasonably believes that it is required to produce any such information by order of any governmental agency or other regulatory body it may, upon not less than five (5) business days' written notice to the other party, release the required information.

VI. SUSPENSION OF SERVICE AND TERMINATION

A. This Agreement shall remain in force until terminated or suspended by either party (i) upon thirty (30) days' written notice to the other party or (ii) immediately upon written notice for Cause (defined herein). As used herein, the term "Cause" means (i) gross negligence or willful misconduct of Verita that causes serious and material harm to the Company's reorganization under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) the failure of the Company to pay Verita invoices for more than sixty (60) days from the date of invoice, or (iii) the accrual of invoices or unpaid services in excess of the retainer held by Verita where Verita reasonably believes it will not be paid.

B. In the event that this contract is terminated, regardless of the reason for such termination, Verita shall coordinate with the Company and, to the extent applicable, the clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, to

maintain an orderly transfer of record keeping functions and Verita shall provide all necessary staff, services and assistance required for an orderly transfer. The Company agrees to pay for such services in accordance with Verita's then existing prices for such services. If such termination occurs following entry of the Retention Order, the Company shall immediately seek entry of an order (in form and substance reasonably acceptable to Verita) that discharges Verita from service and responsibility in the Company's bankruptcy case.

C. Any data, programs, storage media or other materials furnished by the Company to Verita or received by Verita in connection with the services provided under the terms of this Agreement may be retained by Verita until the services provided are paid for, or until this Agreement is terminated with the services paid in full. The Company shall remain liable for all fees and expenses imposed under this Agreement as a result of data or physical media maintained or stored by Verita. Verita shall dispose of the data and media in the manner requested by the Company. The Company agrees to pay Verita for reasonable expenses incurred as a result of the disposition of data or media. If the Company has not utilized Verita's services under this Agreement for a period of at least ninety (90) days, Verita may dispose of the data or media, and be reimbursed by the Company for the expense of such disposition, after giving the Company thirty (30) days' notice. Notwithstanding any term herein to the contrary, following entry of the Retention Order, the disposition of any data or media by Verita shall be in accordance with any applicable instructions from the clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, local Bankruptcy Court rules and orders of the Bankruptcy Court.

VII. SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

Verita strives to provide continuous improvements in the quality of service to its clients. Verita, therefore, reserves the right to make changes in operating procedure, operating systems, programming languages, general purpose library programs, application programs, time period of accessibility, types of terminal and other equipment and the Verita data center serving the Company, so long as any such changes do not materially interfere with ongoing services provided to the Company in connection with the Company's chapter 11 case.

VIII. BANK ACCOUNTS

At the Company's request and subject to Court approval following any chapter 11 filing, Verita may be authorized to establish accounts with financial institutions in the name of and as agent for the Company. To the extent that certain financial products are provided to the Company pursuant to Verita's agreement with financial institutions, Verita may receive compensation from such financial institutions for the services Verita provides pursuant to such agreement.

IX. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNIFICATION

A. The Company shall indemnify and hold Verita, its affiliates, members, directors, officers, employees, consultants, subcontractors and agents (collectively, the "Indemnified Parties") harmless, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, from and against any and all losses, claims, damages, judgments, liabilities and expenses (including reasonable counsel fees and expenses) (collectively, "Losses") resulting from, arising out of or related to Verita's performance under this Agreement. Such indemnification shall exclude Losses resulting from Verita's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Losses include any liabilities resulting from claims by any third-parties against any Indemnified Party. The Company shall notify Verita in writing promptly upon the assertion, threat or commencement of any claim, action, investigation or proceeding that the Company becomes aware of with

respect to the services provided by Verita under this Agreement. The Company's indemnification obligations hereunder shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

B. Except as provided herein, Verita's liability to the Company or any person making a claim through or under the Company for any Losses of any kind, even if Verita has been advised of the possibility of such Losses, whether direct or indirect and unless due to gross negligence or willful misconduct of Verita, shall be limited to the total amount billed or billable to the Company for the portion of the particular work which gave rise to the alleged Loss. In no event shall Verita be liable for any indirect, special or consequential damages such as loss of anticipated profits or other economic loss in connection with or arising out of the services provided for in this Agreement. In no event shall Verita's liability to the Company for any Losses, excluding Losses resulting from Verita's gross negligence or wilful misconduct, whether direct or indirect, arising out of this Agreement exceed the total amount billed to the Company and actually paid to Verita for the services contemplated under the Agreement; provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to the Company during any chapter 11 case in which the Company is a debtor.

C. The Company is responsible for the accuracy of the programs, data and information it or any Company Party submits for processing to Verita and for the output of such information. Verita does not verify information provided by the Company and, with respect to the preparation of schedules and statements, all decisions are at the sole discretion and direction of the Company. The Company reviews and approves all schedules and statements filed on behalf of, or by, the Company; Verita bears no responsibility for the accuracy or contents therein. The Company agrees to initiate and maintain backup files that would allow the Company to regenerate or duplicate all programs and data submitted by the Company to Verita.

D. The Company agrees that except as expressly set forth herein, Verita makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, including, but not limited to, any implied or express warranty of merchantability, fitness or adequacy for a particular purpose or use, quality, productiveness or capacity.

X. FORCE MAJEURE

Verita will not be liable for any delay or failure in performance when such delay or failure arises from circumstances beyond its reasonable control, including without limitation acts of God, acts of government in its sovereign or contractual capacity, acts of public enemy or terrorists, acts of civil or military authority, war, riots, civil strife, terrorism, blockades, sabotage, rationing, embargoes, epidemics, pandemics, outbreaks of infectious diseases or any other public health crises, earthquakes, fire, flood, other natural disaster, quarantine or any other employee restrictions, power shortages or failures, utility or communication failure or delays, labor disputes, strikes, or shortages, supply shortages, equipment failures, or software malfunctions.

XI. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

The Company and Verita are and shall be independent contractors of each other and no agency, partnership, joint venture or employment relationship shall arise, directly or indirectly, as a result of this Agreement.

XII. NOTICES

All notices and requests in connection with this Agreement shall be given or made upon the respective parties in writing and shall be deemed as given as of the third day following the day it is deposited in the U.S. Mail, postage pre-paid or on the day it is given if sent by facsimile or electronic mail or on the day

after the day it is sent if sent by overnight courier to the appropriate address set forth below:

KCC/Verita Global, LLC
222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, 3rd Floor
El Segundo, CA 90245
Attn: Drake D. Foster
Tel: (310) 823-9000
Fax: (310) 823-9133
E-Mail: dfoster@veritaglobal.com

Lonestar Dream, Inc.
3415 Greystone Dr., STE 205, Austin, TX 78731
Attn: Kathy Zhang, COO
Tel: 737-275-9444
Email: kathy.z@lonestardream.us

Or to such other address as the party to receive the notice or request so designates by written notice to the other.

XIII. APPLICABLE LAW

The validity, enforceability, and performance of this Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.

XIV. ENTIRE AGREEMENT/ MODIFICATIONS

Each party acknowledges that it has read this Agreement, understands it, and agrees to be bound by its terms and further agrees that it is the complete and exclusive statement of the agreement between the parties, which supersedes and merges all prior proposals, understandings, other agreements, and communications oral and written between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. The Company represents that it has the authority to enter into this Agreement, and the Agreement is non-dischargeable under any applicable statute or law. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable, the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall in no way be affected or impaired thereby. This Agreement may be modified only by a written instrument duly executed by an authorized representative of the Company and an officer of Verita.

XV. COUNTERPARTS; EFFECTIVENESS

This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement will become effective when one or more counterparts have been signed by each of the parties and delivered to the other parties, which delivery may be made by exchange of copies of the signature page by facsimile or electronic mail.

XVI. ASSIGNMENT

This Agreement and the rights and duties hereunder shall not be assignable by the parties hereto except upon written consent of the other, with the exception that this Agreement can be assigned without written consent by Verita to a wholly-owned subsidiary or affiliate of Verita.

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XVII. ATTORNEYS' FEES

In the event that any legal action, including an action for declaratory relief, is brought to enforce the performance or interpret the provisions of this Agreement, the parties agree to reimburse the prevailing party's reasonable attorneys' fees, court costs, and all other related expenses, which may be set by the court in the same action or in a separate action brought for that purpose, in addition to any other relief to which the prevailing party may be entitled.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement effective as of the first date mentioned above.

Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC dba Verita Global

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