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### MOTION OF GENERAL MOTORS LLC PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 AND 363 TO ENFORCE THE COURT'S JULY 5, 2009 SALE ORDER AND INJUNCTION (MONETARY RELIEF ACTIONS, OTHER THAN IGNITION SWITCH ACTIONS)

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### **INTRODUCTION**

In June 2009, General Motors LLC ("<u>New GM</u>") was a newly formed entity, created by the U.S. Treasury, to purchase substantially all of the assets of Motors Liquidation Company, formerly known as General Motors Corporation ("<u>Old GM</u>"). Through a bankruptcy-approved sale process, New GM acquired Old GM's assets, free and clear of all liens, claims, liabilities and encumbrances, other than liabilities that New GM expressly assumed under a June 26, 2009 Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement ("<u>Sale Agreement</u>").<sup>1</sup> The Bankruptcy Court approved the sale ("<u>363 Sale</u>") from Old GM to New GM and the terms of the Sale Agreement in its "<u>Sale Order and Injunction</u>," dated July 5, 2009.<sup>2</sup>

This Motion does not address the approximately 90 lawsuits ("<u>Ignition Switch Actions</u>") against New GM that seek monetary relief (*i.e.*, where there was no accident causing personal injury, loss of life, or property damage) relating to allegedly defective ignition switches ("<u>Ignition Switch</u>") in certain vehicle models. New GM previously filed a motion with this Court on April 21, 2014 ("<u>Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce</u>") seeking to enforce the Sale Order and Injunction with respect to the Ignition Switch Actions, the Court held Scheduling Conferences on May 2, 2014 and July 2, 2014 with respect to that Motion, and the initial phase of that contested proceeding is being governed by Scheduling Orders entered by the Court on May 16, 2014 and July 11, 2014 ("<u>Scheduling Orders</u>")<sup>3</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A copy of the Sale Agreement is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The full title of the Sale Order and Injunction is "Order (i) Authorizing Sale of Assets Pursuant to Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement with NGMCO, Inc., a U.S. Treasury-Sponsored Purchaser; (ii) Authorizing Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases in Connection with the Sale; and (iii) Granting Related Relief, entered by the Court on July 5, 2009." A copy of the Sale Order and Injunction is annexed hereto as Exhibit "B."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As New GM did when it filed the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce, New GM will seek a conference before the Court upon filing this Motion to Enforce to discuss procedural issues raised by the relief sought herein, including the possibility of consolidating this Motion with the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce.

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At the time the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce was filed, New GM had recently instituted a recall ("**Ignition Switch Recall**") covering vehicles that had an allegedly defective Ignition Switch, and New GM subsequently was named as a defendant in numerous lawsuits that referenced the Ignition Switch Recall. New GM later instituted various other recalls regarding vehicles and/or parts designed, manufactured and/or sold by Old GM. Like the plaintiffs in the actions that are covered by the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce, other plaintiffs have filed actions against New GM based on these later recalls. These lawsuits were served on New GM beginning in late May 2014, and could not have been included in the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce.

The timing of the filing of this Motion is dictated by the Scheduling Orders which set forth specific deadlines for the development of agreed upon factual stipulations, and the briefing of Threshold Issues (as defined in the Scheduling Orders). Generally, the Plaintiffs' counsel related to this Motion are already involved in the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce.<sup>4</sup> However, to the extent there is not complete overlap, and to ensure that all parties in interest have an opportunity to address common issues before the Court, this Motion is being filed now.

This Motion to Enforce also does not address any litigation involving an accident or incident causing personal injury, loss of life or property damage. Any such lawsuits against New GM that concern accidents or incidents that occurred prior to the closing of the 363 Sale are the subject of a separate motion filed by New GM at this time.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> It is significant, and unexplainable that, in connection with the Ignition Switch Actions, Plaintiffs' attorneys entered into Voluntary Stay Stipulations recognizing the Court's exclusive jurisdiction to decide issues relating to the Sale Order and Injunction. Yet the same counsel continue to file law suits against New GM in other courts for Retained Liabilities as if the Sale Order and Injunction does not exist (thus necessitating the filing of this Motion and other motions to enforce).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Liabilities related to accidents or incidents that occurred after the closing of the 363 Sale that allegedly caused personal injury, loss of life or property damage were assumed by New GM pursuant to the Sale Order and

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Furthermore, New GM has committed to repairing (at no cost to the owners) such vehicles that are the subject of a recalls conducted by New GM under the supervision of the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("<u>NHTSA</u>"). This Motion does not involve those repairs or costs.

Instead, this Motion to Enforce involves *only* litigation in which Plaintiffs seek economic losses, monetary and other relief against New GM relating to an Old GM vehicle or part (other than the Ignition Switch). Like the Ignition Switch Actions, liabilities for these types of claims were never assumed by New GM and are barred by the Court's Sale Order and Injunction.<sup>6</sup>

Under the Sale Agreement approved by the Court, New GM assumed only three expressly defined categories of liabilities for vehicles and parts sold by Old GM: (a) post-sale accidents involving Old GM vehicles causing personal injury, loss of life or property damage; (b) repairs provided for under the "Glove Box Warranty"— a specific written warranty, of limited duration, that only covers repairs and replacement of parts; and (c) Lemon Law<sup>7</sup> claims essentially tied to the failure to honor the Glove Box Warranty. All other liabilities relating to vehicles and parts sold by Old GM were "Retained Liabilities" of Old GM. *See* Sale Agreement § 2.3(b).

New GM's assumption of just these limited categories of liabilities was based on the independent judgment of U.S. Treasury officials as to which liabilities, if paid, would best

Injunction, and the Sale Agreement. Lawsuits based on such circumstances are not the subject of this or any other motion filed by New GM with the Bankruptcy Court.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> To the extent the lawsuits that are the subject of this Motion to Enforce concern vehicles that were manufactured solely by New GM, and do not concern any allegedly defective parts manufactured by Old GM or concern Old GM conduct, those portions of such lawsuits are not implicated by this Motion to Enforce.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> See Sale Agreement § 1.1, at p. 11 (defining "Lemon Laws" as "a state statute requiring a vehicle manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when such manufacturer is unable to conform a vehicle to the express written warranty after a reasonable number of attempts, as defined in the applicable statute.").

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position New GM for a successful business turnaround. It was an absolute condition of New GM's purchase offer that New GM not take on all of Old GM's liabilities. That was the bargain struck by New GM and Old GM, and approved by the Court as being in the best interests of Old GM's bankruptcy estate and the public.

The primary objections to the 363 Sale were made by prepetition creditors who essentially wanted New GM to assume their liabilities. But the Court found that, if not for New GM's purchase offer, which provided for a meaningful distribution to prepetition unsecured creditors, Old GM would have liquidated its assets and those unsecured creditors would have received nothing. Indeed, had the objectors been successful in opposing the Sale Order and Injunction, it would have been a pyrrhic victory, and disaster not only for them but for thousands of others who relied on the continued viability of the assets being sold to New GM. Judge Lewis Kaplan aptly summarized the point: "No sentient American is unaware of the travails of the automobile industry in general and of General Motors Corporation ([Old] GM) in particular. As the Bankruptcy Court found, [Old] GM will be forced to liquidate — with appalling consequences for its creditors, its employees, and our nation — unless the proposed sale of its core assets to a newly constituted purchaser is swiftly consummated." *In re Gen. Motors Corp.*, No. M 47 (LAK), 2009 WL 2033079, at \*1 (S.D.N.Y. July 9, 2009).

One of the groups that objected most vigorously to the 363 Sale was a coalition representing Old GM vehicle owners. That group included State Attorneys General, individual accident victims, the Center for Auto Safety, Consumer Action, and other consumer advocacy groups. The gist of their objections was: as long as New GM was assuming any of Old GM liabilities, then it should assume *all* vehicle-owner liabilities as well. In particular, the objectors argued, unsuccessfully, that New GM should assume successor liability claims, all warranty

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claims (express and implied), economic damages claims based upon defects in Old GM vehicles and parts, and tort claims, in addition to the limited categories of claims that New GM already agreed to assume.

A critical element of protecting the integrity of the bankruptcy sale process, however, was to ensure that New GM, as the good faith purchaser for substantial value, received the benefit of its Court-approved bargain. This meant that New GM would be insulated from lawsuits by Old GM's creditors based on Old GM liabilities it did not assume. The Sale Agreement and the Sale Order and Injunction were expressly intended to provide such protections. The Order thus enjoined such proceedings against New GM, and expressly reserved exclusive jurisdiction to this Court to ensure that the sale transaction it approved would not be undermined or collaterally attacked.

As this Court may be aware, New GM recently sent various recall notices to NHTSA concerning issues in certain vehicles and parts, many of which were manufactured by Old GM. Shortly after New GM issued these recall notices, various Plaintiffs sued New GM for claimed economic losses, monetary and other relief allegedly resulting from the issues addressed by the recalls. These lawsuits, in part, concern Old GM vehicles and/or parts—the very type of claims retained by Old GM for which New GM has no liability.

This Motion to Enforce, thus, presents the very same issue that the Court is addressing in the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce:

### May New GM be sued in violation of this Court's Sale Order and Injunction for economic losses, monetary and other relief relating to vehicles and parts manufactured and/or sold by Old GM?

As is the case in the Ignition Switch Actions, Plaintiffs in the cases based on the later recalls assert claims, either in whole or in part, for liabilities that Old GM retained under the Sale

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Order and Injunction. Plaintiffs apparently decided to not appear in this Court to challenge the Sale Order and Injunction; and with good reason: they know that this Court has previously enforced the Sale Order and Injunction, and they were seeking to evade this Court's injunction that bars them from suing New GM on account of liabilities retained by Old GM.

Simply put, Plaintiffs cannot ignore the Court's Sale Order and Injunction, and proceed in other courts as though it never existed. The law is settled that persons subject to a Court's injunction do not have that option. As the United States Supreme Court explained in *Celotex Corp. v. Edwards*, the rule is "well-established" that "persons subject to an injunctive order issued by a court with jurisdiction are expected to obey that decree until it is modified or reversed, even if they have proper grounds to object to the order." 514 U.S. 300, 306 (1995).

Based on this Court's prior proceedings and Orders, New GM has brought this Motion to Enforce to require the plaintiffs (collectively, the "<u>Plaintiffs</u>") in the actions listed in Schedule 1 attached hereto ("<u>Monetary Relief Actions</u>") to comply with the Court's Sale Order and Injunction by directing Plaintiffs to (a) cease and desist from further prosecuting against New GM claims that are barred by the Sale Order and Injunction, (b) dismiss with prejudice those void claims brought in violation of the Sale Order and Injunction, and (c) specifically identify which claims against New GM they believe are not otherwise barred by the Sale Order and Injunction.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> At this time, the following Monetary Relief Actions have been commenced against New GM: (i) *Yagman v. General Motors Company, et al.* (a copy of the *Yagman* Complaint is annexed hereto as Exhibit "C"); (ii) *Andrews v. General Motors LLC* (a copy of the *Andrews* Complaint is annexed hereto as Exhibit "D"); (iii) *Stevenson v. General Motors LLC* (a copy of the *Stevenson* Complaint is annexed hereto as Exhibit "E"); and (iv) *Jones v. General Motors LLC* (a copy of the *Jones* Complaint is annexed hereto as Exhibit "F).

New GM reserves the right to supplement the list of Monetary Relief Actions contained in Schedule 1 in the event additional cases are brought against New GM that implicate similar provisions of the Sale Order and Injunction.

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### **BACKGROUND STATEMENT OF FACTS**

1. In June 2009, in the midst of a national financial crisis, Old GM was insolvent with no alternative other than to seek bankruptcy protection to sell its assets. New GM, a newly created, government-sponsored entity, was the only viable purchaser, but it would not purchase Old GM's assets unless the sale was free and clear of all liens and claims (except for the claims it expressly agreed to assume). The Court approved this sale transaction, which set the framework for New GM to begin its business operations. During the last five years, New GM has operated its business based on the fundamental structure of the Sale Agreement and Sale Order and Injunction — a new business enterprise that would not be burdened with liabilities retained by Old GM. The Monetary Relief Actions represent a collateral attack on this Court's Sale Order and Injunction. The Plaintiffs may not rewrite, years later, the Court-approved sale to a good faith purchaser, which was affirmed on appeal, and which has been the predicate ever since for literally millions of transactions between New GM and third parties.

## I. OLD GM FILED FOR PROTECTION UNDER THE BANKRUPTCY CODE IN JUNE 2009.

2. On June 1, 2009, Old GM and certain of its affiliates filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York. Old GM simultaneously filed a motion seeking approval of the original version of the Sale Agreement ("<u>Original Sale Agreement</u>"), pursuant to which substantially all of Old GM's assets were to be sold to New GM ("<u>Sale Motion</u>"). The Original Sale Agreement (like the Sale Agreement) provided that New GM would assume only certain specifically identified liabilities (*i.e.*, the "<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>"); all other liabilities would be retained by Old GM (*i.e.*, the "<u>Retained Liabilities</u>").

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### A. Objectors to the Sale Motion Argued that New GM Should Assume Additional Liabilities of the Type Plaintiffs Now Assert in the Monetary Relief Actions.

3. Many objectors, including various State Attorneys General, certain individual accident victims ("<u>Product Liability Claimants</u>"), the Center for Auto Safety, Consumer Action, Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety, National Association of Consumer Advocates, and Public Citizens (collectively, the "<u>Consumer Organizations</u>"), the Ad Hoc Committee of Consumer Victims, and the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors challenged various provisions in the Original Sale Agreement relating to actual and potential tort and contract claims held by Old GM vehicle owners. These objectors argued that the Court should not approve the Original Sale Agreement unless New GM assumed additional Old GM liabilities (beyond the Glove Box Warranty), including those now being asserted by the Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions.

4. The Original Sale Agreement was amended so that New GM would assume Lemon Law claims, as well as personal injury, loss of life and property damage claims for accidents taking place after the closing of the 363 Sale.<sup>9</sup> Product Liability Claimants and the Consumer Organizations were not satisfied and pressed their objections, arguing that New GM should assume broader warranty-related claims as well as successor liability claims.<sup>10</sup> Representatives from the U.S. Treasury declined to make further changes. *See* Hr'g Tr. 151:1 – 10, July 1, 2009. The Court found that New GM would not have consummated the "[t]ransaction (i) if the sale . . . was not free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Assumption of the Glove Box Warranty was provided for in the Original Sale Agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Numerous State Attorneys General also objected, seeking to expand the definition of New GM's Assumed Liabilities to include implied warranty claims. *Castillo v. Gen. Motors LLC (In re Motors Liquidation Co.),* Adv. Proc. No. 09–00509, 2012 WL 1339496, at \*5 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. April 17, 2012), *aff'd*, 500 B.R. 333 (S.D.N.Y. 2013). The *Castillo* decision has been appealed to the Second Circuit and that appeal remains pending.

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other interests ..., including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability or (ii) if [New GM] would, or in the future could, be liable for any such liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability (collectively, the 'Retained Liabilities'), other than, in each case, the Assumed Liabilities." *See* Sale Order and Injunction ¶ DD. The Court ultimately overruled the objectors on these issues. *See id.*, ¶ 2.

### B. The Court Issued Its Sale Order And Injunction, And The Product Liability Claimants And Others Appealed Because They Objected To The Fact That New GM Was Not Assuming *Their* Liabilities.

5. The Court held a three-day hearing on the Sale Motion, then issued its Sale Decision on July 5, 2009, finding that the only alternative to the immediate sale to New GM pursuant to the Sale Agreement was a liquidation of Old GM, in which case unsecured creditors, such as the Plaintiffs now suing New GM, would receive nothing. *See In re Gen. Motors Corp.*, 407 B.R. 463, 474 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2009). The Court analyzed the law of successor liability at length (*see id.* at 499-506), and ruled that: "[T]he law in this Circuit and District is clear; the Court will permit [Old] GM's assets to pass to the purchaser [New GM] *free and clear of successor liability claims*, and in that connection, will issue the requested findings and associated injunction." *Id.* at 505-06 (emphasis added).

6. In approving the 363 Sale, the Court specifically found that New GM was a "good faith purchaser, for sale-approval purposes, and also for the purpose of the protections section 363(m) provides." *Id.* at 494 (citing 11 U.S.C. § 363(m)). The Sale Order and Injunction expressly enjoined parties (like the Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions) from proceeding against New GM with respect to Retained Liabilities at any time in the future. *See* Sale Order and Injunction, ¶¶ 8, 47. The Court recognized that if a Section 363 purchaser like New GM did not obtain protection from claims against Old GM, like successor liability claims, it would pay

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less for the assets because of the risks of known and unknown liabilities. *Id.* at 500; *see* 11 U.S.C. § 363. The Court further recognized that, under the law, a Section 363 purchaser could choose which liabilities of the debtors to assume (*id.* at 496), and that the U.S. Treasury, on New GM's behalf, could rightfully condition its purchase offer on its refusal to assume the liabilities now being asserted by Plaintiffs in the Ignition Switch Actions.

7. Old GM, the proponent of the asset sale transaction, presented evidence establishing that if the Sale Agreement was not approved, Old GM would have liquidated. In a liquidation, objecting creditors seeking incremental recoveries would have ended up with nothing, given that the book value of Old GM's global assets was \$82 billion, the book value of its global liabilities was \$172 billion (see Gen. Motors, 407 B.R. at 475), and that, in a liquidation, the value of Old GM's assets was probably less than 10% of stated book value (*id.*).

8. Objectors also presented evidence that the book value of certain contingent liabilities was about \$934 million. *Id.* at 483. The Court noted that contingent liabilities were "difficult to quantify." *Id.* And, if the book value of all contingent liabilities was understated, that simply meant Old GM was even more insolvent—an even greater reason for New GM to decline to assume the liabilities retained by GM.

9. Whether Old GM presented evidence regarding a particular claim or specific defect was not germane to this Court's approval of the Sale Order and Injunction. Indeed, as the Court found in the Sale Order and Injunction, the proper analysis for approving the asset sale was whether Old GM obtained the "highest or best" available offer for the Purchased Assets. *See* Sale Order and Injunction,  $\P$  G. In contrast, the quantification of liabilities left behind with Old GM (*i.e.*, the Retained Liabilities) was pertinent to a different phase of the bankruptcy case (the claims process) which did not involve New GM.

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10. New GM's refusal to assume a substantial portion of Old GM's liabilities was fundamental to the sale transaction and was widely disclosed by Old GM to all interested parties. Indeed, the Product Liability Claimants objected to and appealed the Sale Order and Injunction to specifically challenge this aspect of the sale. *See Campbell v. Motors Liquidation Co. (In re Motors Liquidation Co.)*, 428 B.R. 43 (S.D.N.Y. 2010). On appeal, although the District Court focused on the appellants' failure to seek a stay of the Sale and on equitable mootness principles, it also found that this Court had jurisdiction to enjoin successor liability claims. *See id. at* 59-60Indeed, the Sale Order and Injunction was affirmed on appeal by two different District Court Judges. *Id. ; Parker v. Motors Liquidation Co. (In re Motors Liquidation Co.)*, 430 B.R. 65 (S.D.N.Y. 2010). There were no further appeals.<sup>11</sup>

### C. Upon Approval Of The Sale Agreement And Issuance Of The Sale Order And Injunction, New GM Assumed Certain Narrowly Defined Liabilities, But The Bulk Of Old GM's Liabilities Remained With Old GM.

11. Under the Sale Agreement and the Sale Order and Injunction, New GM became responsible for "Assumed Liabilities." *See* Sale Agreement § 2.3(a). These included liability claims for post-sale accidents and Lemon Law claims, as well as the Glove Box Warranty—a written warranty of limited duration (typically three years or 36,000 miles, whichever comes first) provided at the time of sale for repairs and replacement of parts. The Glove Box Warranty expressly excludes economic damages. New GM assumed no other Old GM warranty obligations, express or implied:

The Purchaser is assuming the obligations of the Sellers pursuant to and subject to conditions and limitations contained in their express written warranties, which were delivered in connection with the sale of vehicles and vehicle components

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The Product Liability Claimants appealed the District Court's decision, but pursuant to a stipulation so-ordered by the Second Circuit Court of Appeals on September 23, 2010, the appeal was withdrawn. The *Parker* decision was also appealed, but that appeal was dismissed as equitably moot because the appellant had not obtained a stay pending appeal. *See Parker v. Motors Liquidation Company*, Case No. 10-4882-bk (2d Cir. July 28, 2011).

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prior to the Closing of the 363 Transaction and specifically identified as a "warranty." The Purchaser is not assuming responsibility for Liabilities contended to arise by virtue of other alleged warranties, including implied warranties and statements in materials such as, without limitation, individual customer communications, owner's manuals, advertisements, and other promotional materials, catalogs, and point of purchase materials.

Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ 56 (emphasis added).

12. Independent of the Assumed Liabilities under the Sale Agreement, New GM covenanted to perform Old GM's recall responsibilities under federal law. *See* Sale Agreement ¶ 6.15(a). But there were no third party beneficiary rights granted under the Sale Agreement with respect to that covenant (*see* Sale Agreement § 9.11), and there is no private right of action for third parties to sue for a breach of a recall obligation. *See Ayers v. Gen. Motors*, 234 F.3d 514, 522-24 (11th Cir. 2000); *Handy v. Gen. Motors Corp.*, 518 F.2d 786, 787-88 (9th Cir 1975). Thus, New GM's recall covenant provides no basis for the Plaintiffs to sue New GM for economic losses, monetary or other relief relating to a vehicle or part sold by Old GM.

13. All liabilities of Old GM not expressly defined as Assumed Liabilities constituted "Retained Liabilities" that remained obligations of Old GM. *See* Sale Agreement §§ 2.3(a), 2.3(b). Retained Liabilities include economic losses and other monetary relief relating to vehicles and parts manufactured by Old GM (the primary claims asserted by the Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions) such as:

- (a) liabilities "arising out of, relating to or in connection with any (A) implied warranty or other implied obligation arising under statutory or common law without the necessity of an express warranty or (B) allegation, statement or writing by or attributable to Sellers." Sale Agreement § 2.3(b)(xvi), *see also id.* ¶ 6.15(a). This would include liability based on state consumer statutes, except Lemon Law claims.
- (b) All liabilities (other than Assumed Liabilities) of Old GM based upon contract, tort or any other basis. Sale Agreement § 2.3(b)(xi). This covers claims based on negligence, concealment and fraud.

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- (c) All liabilities relating to vehicles and parts sold by Old GM with a design defect.<sup>12</sup>
- (d) All Liabilities based on the conduct of Old GM including any allegation, statement or writing attributable to Old GM. This covers fraudulent concealment type claims. *See* Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ 56.
- (e) All claims based on the doctrine of "successor liability." See, e.g., Sale Order and Injunction,  $\P$  46.

## D. The Court's Sale Order And Injunction Expressly Protects New GM From Litigation Over Retained Liabilities.

14. On July 10, 2009, the parties consummated the Sale. New GM acquired

substantially all of the assets of Old GM free and clear of all liens, claims and encumbrances,

except for the narrowly defined Assumed Liabilities. In particular, paragraphs 46, 9, and 8 of the

Sale Order and Injunction provide that New GM would have no responsibility for any liabilities

(except for Assumed Liabilities) relating to the operation of Old GM's business, or the

production of vehicles and parts before July 10, 2009:

Except for the Assumed Liabilities expressly set forth in the [Sale Agreement] ... [New GM] ... shall [not] have any liability for any claim that arose prior to the Closing Date, *relates to the production of vehicles prior to the Closing Date*, or otherwise is assertable against [Old GM] ... prior to the Closing Date ..... Without limiting the foregoing, [New GM] shall not have any successor, transferee, derivative, or vicarious liabilities of any kind or character for any claims, including, but not limited to, under any theory of successor or transferee liability, de facto merger or continuity ... and products ... liability, *whether known or unknown* as of the Closing, now existing or hereafter arising, asserted or unasserted, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated.

Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ 46 (emphasis added); *see also id.*, ¶ 9(a) ("(i) no claims other than Assumed Liabilities, will be assertable against the Purchaser; (ii) the Purchased Assets [are] transferred to the Purchaser free and clear of all claims (other than Permitted Encumbrances) . . . "); and *id.*, ¶ 8 ("All persons and entities . . . holding claims against [Old GM]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ AA; see also Trusky v. Gen. Motors LLC (In re Motors Liquidation Co.), Adv. Proc. No. 09–09803, 2013 WL 620281, at \*2 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 19, 2013).

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or the Purchased Assets arising under or out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to [Old GM], the Purchased Assets, *the operation of the Purchased Assets* prior to the Closing . . . are forever barred, estopped, and permanently enjoined . . . from asserting [such claims] against [New GM]. . . .") (emphasis added).

15. Anticipating the possibility that New GM might be wrongfully sued for Retained Liabilities, the Sale Order and Injunction permanently enjoins claimants from asserting claims of

the type made in the Monetary Relief Actions:

[A]ll persons and entities ... holding liens, claims and encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, against [Old GM] or the Purchased Assets (whether legal or equitable, secured or unsecured, *matured or unmatured*, *contingent or noncontingent*, senior or subordinated), *arising under or out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to [Old GM], the Purchased Assets, the operation of the Purchased Assets prior to the Closing ... are forever barred, estopped, and permanently enjoined ... from asserting against [New GM]... such persons' or entities' liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability.* 

Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ 8 (emphasis added); *see also id.*, ¶ 47.

16. The Court specifically found that the provisions of the Sale Order and Injunction, as well as the Sale Agreement, were binding on all creditors, *known and unknown* alike. *See* Sale Order and Injunction,  $\P$  6 ("This [Sale] Order and [Sale Agreement] "shall be binding in all respects upon the Debtors, their affiliates, *all known and unknown creditors* of, and holders of equity security interests in, any Debtor, including any holders of liens, claims, encumbrances, or other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability ....." (emphasis added)); *see also id.*,  $\P$  46. In short, except for Assumed Liabilities, claims based on Old GM vehicles and parts remained the legal responsibility of Old GM, and are not the responsibility of New GM.

17. Finally, paragraph 71 of the Sale Order and Injunction makes this Court the gatekeeper to enforce its own Order. It provides for this Court's *exclusive jurisdiction* over matters and claims regarding the 363 Sale, including jurisdiction to protect New GM against any Retained Liabilities of Old GM:

This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to enforce and implement the terms and provisions of this Order, the [Sale Agreement], all amendments thereto, any waivers and consents thereunder, and each of the agreements executed in connection therewith, . . ., in all respects, including, but not limited to, retaining jurisdiction to . . . (c) resolve any disputes arising under or related to the [Sale Agreement], except as otherwise provided therein, (d) interpret, implement, and enforce the provisions of this Order, (e) protect the Purchaser against any of the Retained Liabilities or the assertion of any lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest, of any kind or nature whatsoever, against the Purchased Assets . . . . (Emphasis added.)

### II. NEW GM HAS RECALLED CERTAIN VEHICLES AND IN RESPONSE, PLAINTIFFS HAVE FILED MONETARY RELIEF ACTIONS.

18. Consistent with its obligations under the Sale Order and Injunction, New GM, over the last several months, has informed NHSTA of certain issues in various vehicles and parts, including those manufactured by Old GM, and that New GM would conduct recalls to remedy the problems (at no cost to the owners). New GM sent NHTSA-approved recall notices to all vehicle owners subject to the recalls. All of the recalls are underway and New GM already has started to fix the vehicles identified by the recalls. NHTSA, as the government agency responsible for overseeing the technical and highly-specialized domain of automotive safety defects and recalls, administers the rules concerning the content, timing, and means of delivering a recall notice to affected motorists and dealers. *See* 49 C.F.R. § 554.1; 49 U.S.C. § 30119.

19. Since the various recalls were announced, Monetary Relief Actions have been filed against New GM related to these recalls, including recalls of vehicles and parts sold or manufactured by Old GM (*see* Schedule 1, attached to this Motion); additional similar cases will likely be filed in the future. At this time, these cases include four class actions.

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20. The non-ignition switch Monetary Relief Actions assert claims that are barred by the Sale Agreement and the Sale Order and Injunction. The claims at issue that are the subject of this Motion to Enforce are for economic losses, monetary and other relief premised on alleged defects in vehicles and components manufactured and/or sold by Old GM, which are unrelated to any accident causing personal injury, loss of life or property damage. In their complaints, the Plaintiffs, at times, conflate Old GM and New GM, but the Sale Order and Injunction is clear that New GM is a separate entity from Old GM (*see* Sale Order and Injunction,  $\P R$ ), and is not liable for successor liability claims (*see*, *e.g.*, *id.*,  $\P \P 46, 47$ ). To be sure, the claims asserted by the Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions are varied, and in some instances, because of the imprecise factual allegations, it is unclear whether there might be a viable cause of action (of the many) being asserted against New GM. What is clear, however, is that the crux of certain of the Plaintiffs' claims is a problem in vehicles and/or parts manufactured and/or sold by Old GM. Claims based on that factual predicate are Retained Liabilities and may not be brought against New GM.<sup>13</sup>

21. This Court is uniquely situated to enforce its own Order and interpret what the parties to the Sale Agreement agreed to, and what issues were raised and resolved in connection with the 363 Sale. This Motion to Enforce requests that the Court enforce the Sale Order and Injunction by directing Plaintiffs to cease and desist from pursuing claims against New GM for Retained Liabilities of Old GM, direct Plaintiffs to dismiss with prejudice those void claims that are barred by the Sale Order and Injunction, and direct Plaintiffs to specifically identify which

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> The allegations and claims asserted in the Monetary Relief Actions include Retained Liabilities, such as implied warranty claims, successor liability claims, and miscellaneous tort and statutory claims premised in whole or in part on the alleged acts or omissions of Old GM. See Schedule 2 annexed hereto for a sample of such statements, allegations and/or causes of action.

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claims they may properly pursue against New GM that are not in violation of the Court's Sale Order and Injunction.

### NEW GM'S ARGUMENT TO ENFORCE THE COURT'S SALE ORDER AND INJUNCTION

22. The Plaintiffs do not have the choice of simply ignoring the Court's Sale Order

and Injunction. As the Supreme Court expressed in its Celotex decision:

If respondents believed the Section 105 Injunction was improper, they should have challenged it in the Bankruptcy Court, like other similarly situated bonded judgment creditors have done . . . Respondents chose not to pursue this course of action, but instead to collaterally attack the Bankruptcy Court's Section 105 Injunction in the federal courts in Texas. This they cannot be permitted to do without seriously undercutting the orderly process of the law.

514 U.S. at 313. These settled principles bind Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions. Those who purchased vehicles or parts manufactured by Old GM, whether they were a known or unknown creditor at the time, are subject to the terms of the Court's Sale Order and Injunction, and are barred by this Court's Injunction from suing New GM on account of Old GM's Retained Liabilities.

### I. THIS COURT'S SALE ORDER AND INJUNCTION SHOULD BE ENFORCED.

23. It is well settled that a "Bankruptcy Court plainly ha[s] jurisdiction to interpret and enforce its own prior orders." *See Travelers Indem. Co. v. Bailey*, 557 U.S. 137, 151 (2009); *In re Wilshire Courtyard*, 729 F.3d 1279, 1290 (9th Cir. 2013) (affirming bankruptcy court's post-confirmation jurisdiction to interpret and enforce its orders; "[i]nterpretation of the Plan and Confirmation Order is the only way for a court to determine the essential character of the negotiated Plan transactions in a way that reflects the deal the parties struck in chapter 11 proceedings"); *In re Cont'l Airlines, Inc.*, 236 B.R. 318, 326 (Bankr. D. Del. 1999) ("In the bankruptcy context, courts have specifically, and consistently, held that the bankruptcy court retains jurisdiction, *inter alia*, to enforce its confirmation order."); *U.S. Lines, Inc. v. GAC* 

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*Marine Fuels, Ltd. (In re McClean Indus., Inc.)*, 68 B.R. 690, 695 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1986) ("[a]ll courts, whether created pursuant to Article I or Article III, have inherent contempt power to enforce compliance with their lawful orders. The duty of any court to hear and resolve legal disputes carries with it the power to enforce the order."). In addition, Section 105(a) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that "[t]he court may issue any order, process, or judgment that is necessary or appropriate to carry out" the Bankruptcy Code's provisions, and this section "codif[ies] the bankruptcy court's inherent power to enforce its own orders." *Back v. LTV Corp. (In re Chateaugay Corp.)*, 213 B.R. 633, 640 (S.D.N.Y. 1997); 11 U.S.C. § 105(a).

24. Consistent with these authorities, this Court retained subject matter jurisdiction to enforce its Sale Order and Injunction. Indeed, this is not the first time that this Court has been asked to enforce its injunction against plaintiffs improperly seeking to sue New GM for Old GM's Retained Liabilities. See In re Motors Liquidation Co., No. 09-50026 (REG), 2011 WL 6119664 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2011) (ordering various plaintiffs to dismiss with prejudice civil actions in which they had brought claims against New GM that are barred by the Sale Order and Injunction); Castillo v. Gen. Motors Co. (In re Motors Liquidation Co.), Adv. Proc. No. 09-00509 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.), Hr'g Tr. 9:3-9:14, May 6, 2010 ("when you are looking for a declaratory judgment on an agreement that I approved [*i.e.*, the Sale Agreement] that was affected by an order that I entered [i.e., the Sale Order and Injunction], and with the issues permeated by bankruptcy law as they are, and which also raise issues as to one or more injunctions that I entered, how in the world would you have brought this lawsuit in Delaware Chancery Court. I'm not talking about getting in personam jurisdiction or whether you can get venue over a Delaware corporation in Delaware. I'm talking about what talks and walks and quacks like an intentional runaround of something that's properly on the watch of the

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U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York.") (emphasis added); Castillo, 2012 WL 1339496 (entering judgment in favor of New GM) (affirmed by 500 B.R. 333, 335 (S.D.N.Y. 2013)); see also Trusky, 2013 WL 620281, at \*2 (finding that "claims for design defects [of 2007-2008 Chevrolet Impalas] may not be asserted against New GM and that "New GM is not liable for Old GM's conduct or alleged breaches of warranty").

25. This Court is also presently addressing New GM's Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce, which raises issues that overlap and are indistinguishable from the issues raised herein. Specifically, both this Motion to Enforce and the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce concern Retained Liabilities stemming from vehicles and/or parts manufactured and/or sold by Old GM. This Court has exercised jurisdiction over the issues raised in the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce; the Court should do the same here.

26. Contrary to New GM's bargained for rights under the Sale Agreement and the Court's Sale Order and Injunction, Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions are suing New GM, in part, for defects in Old GM vehicles and/or parts in various courts. As in the Ignition Switch Actions, Plaintiffs may not simply ignore the Court's injunction through these collateral attacks, especially when the Sale Order and Injunction is a final order no longer subject to appeal. *See Celotex Corp.*, 514 U.S. at 306, 313 ("'persons subject to an injunctive order issued by a court with jurisdiction are expected to obey that decree until it is modified or reversed'") (quoting *GTE Sylvania, Inc. v. Consumers Union of U. S., Inc.*, 445 U.S. 375, 386 (1980)); *Pratt v. Ventas, Inc.*, 365 F.3d 514, 520 (6th Cir. 2004) (applying doctrine to dismiss suits filed in violation of injunction in confirmation order entered by bankruptcy court); *In re McGhan*, 288 F.3d 1172, 1180-81 (9th Cir. 2002) (applying doctrine to enforce discharge order in favor of debtors and holding that only the bankruptcy court could grant relief from the order); *see also In re Gruntz*,

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202 F.3d 1074, 1082 (9th Cir. 2000) (applying this doctrine in the context of an automatic stay entered by the bankruptcy court); *Spartan Mills v. Bank of Am. Ill.*, 112 F.3d 1251, 1255 (4th Cir. 1997) (applying doctrine to bankruptcy court order approving sales of assets free and clear of liens).

### II. NEW GM CANNOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR OLD GM'S ALLEGED CONDUCT, EITHER DIRECTLY OR AS OLD GM'S ALLEGED "SUCCESSOR."

27. Many of the vehicles and parts at issue in the Monetary Relief Actions were manufactured, marketed, and sold by Old GM prior to the Sale Order and Injunction. *See, e.g., Yagman* Compl., ¶ 5 (alleging the named plaintiff owns a 2007 Buick Lucerne); *Andrews* Compl., ¶ 25 (alleging that the class includes all persons who own or lease any new or used GM-branded vehicle sold between July 10, 2009, and April 1, 2014); *Stevenson* Compl., ¶ 17 (alleging that the named plaintiff purchased a 2007 Saturn Ion in or around November 2007).

28. Certain of the Monetary Relief Actions reflect an effort to plead around the Court's Sale Order and Injunction. In fact they all generally assert the same underlying allegations made about Old GM: that it manufactured and/or sold vehicles with some type of defect. (*See* Schedules 1 and 2 attached hereto.) And, they all seek, at least in part, to hold New GM liable for economic losses, monetary and other relief based on Old GM's conduct — claims that are prohibited by the Sale Order and Injunction.

29. For example, in *Andrews*, the Plaintiffs seek to limit their class to people who purchased GM vehicles after July 10, 2009. However, vehicles are not limited to only New GM vehicles; the "Affected Vehicles" as defined in the Andrews complaint encompasses all new and used GM vehicles subject to a recall (other than the Ignition Switch Recall). The Complaint specifically excludes from the class "owners and lessors of model year 2005-2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, 2005-2011 Chevrolet HHRs, 2007-2010 Pontiac G5s, 2003-2007 Saturn Ions, and 2007-

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2010 Saturn Skys, whose vehicles were recalled for an ignition switch defect." Id.,  $\P$  25. There are no other specific exclusions from the purported class of plaintiffs and, thus, such class necessarily includes vehicles manufactured by Old GM.

30. In connection with the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce, this Court addressed similar allegations by a group of plaintiffs (*i.e.*, the *Phaneuf* Plaintiffs) in an Ignition Switch Action. The *Phaneuf* Plaintiffs argued that the Sale Order and Injunction did not apply to them because the class was also limited to individuals who purchased GM vehicles after July 10, 2009. However, because the vehicles in question were not limited to New GM vehicles, but included Old GM vehicles as well, this Court ruled

that the sale order now applies, though it is possible, without prejudging any issues, that, after I hear from the other 87 litigants, I might ultimately rule that it does not apply to some kinds of claims and that, even if the sale order didn't apply, that New GM would be entitled to a preliminary injunction temporarily staying the Phaneuf plaintiffs' action from going forward, pending a determination by me on the other 87 litigants' claims under the standards articulated by the circuit in Jackson Dairy and its progeny.

Hr'g Tr. 91:12-21, July 2, 2014. Accordingly, as was the case with the Phaneuf Plaintiffs, the

Sale Order and Injunction applies to the Andrews Action in the first instances, subject to the

rights of the Andrews Plaintiff – in this Court -- to argue that it should not apply.

31. Similarly, as in the Ignition Switch Actions, certain Plaintiffs attempt to impose

"successor" liability upon New GM, but New GM is not a successor to Old GM and did not

assume any liabilities in connection with successor or transferee liability. This is expressly

provided by the Court's Sale Order and Injunction:

**The Purchaser shall not be deemed**, as a result of any action taken in connection with the [Sale Agreement] or any of the transactions or documents ancillary thereto or contemplated thereby or in connection with the acquisition of the Purchased Assets, to: (i) be a legal successor, or otherwise be deemed a successor to the Debtors (other than with respect to any obligations arising under the Purchased Assets from and after the Closing); (ii) have, de facto or otherwise, merged with or into the Debtors; or (iii) be a mere continuation or substantial

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*continuation of the Debtors or the enterprise of the Debtors*. Without limiting the foregoing, the Purchaser (New GM) shall not have any successor, transferee, derivative, or vicarious liabilities of any kind or character for any claims, including, but not limited to, under any theory of successor or transferee liability, de facto merger or continuity, environmental, labor and employment, and products or antitrust liability, whether known or unknown as of the Closing, now existing or hereafter arising, asserted, or unasserted, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated.

Sale Order and Injunction ¶ 46 (emphasis added); see also id., ¶¶ AA, BB, DD, 6, 7, 8, 10 and

47; Sale Agreement § 9.19.

32. Plaintiffs' successor liability allegations are simply a violation of this Court's Sale

Order and Injunction. But whether or not Plaintiffs' claims expressly allege successor liability,

their claims against New GM based on Old GM's conduct are essentially successor liability

claims cast in a different way and are precluded by that Order.

### III. PLAINTIFFS' WARRANTY ASSERTIONS AND STATE LEMON LAW ALLEGATIONS DO NOT ENABLE THEM TO CIRCUMVENT THE COURT'S SALE ORDER AND INJUNCTION.

## A. The Limited Glove Box Warranty is Not Applicable. But As a Practical Matter, Plaintiffs Already Are Obtaining Such Relief As Part of the Recall.

33. The Glove Box Warranty is for a limited duration and many of the vehicles that are the subject of the Monetary Relief Actions were sold more than three years ago. Thus, the Glove Box Warranty has expired for those vehicles. In any event, the Glove Box Warranty provides only for repairs and replacement parts; the economic losses asserted by Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions are of an entirely different character and are expressly barred by the Glove Box Warranty. This distinction is not unique to Old GM's 363 Sale. In the Chrysler bankruptcy case, the court likewise found that the assumed liabilities were limited to the standard limited warranty of repair issued in connection with sales of vehicles. *See, e.g., Burton v. Chrysler Group, LLC (In re Old Carco LLC)*, 492 B.R. 392, 404 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 2013) ("New Chrysler did agree to honor warranty claims — the Repair Warranty. None of the

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statements attributed to New Chrysler state or imply that it assumed liability to pay consequential or other damages based upon pre-existing defects in vehicles manufactured and sold by Old Carco.").<sup>14</sup> Finally, as a practical matter, New GM will make the necessary repairs as part of the various on-going recalls, which is all that the Glove Box Warranty would have required. Hence, any claims, if they existed, are moot.

34. Similarly, the Sale Agreement and the Sale Order and Injunction provide that the implied warranty and other implied obligation claims that Plaintiffs assert here are Retained Liabilities for which New GM is not responsible. *See* Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ 56 (New GM "is not assuming responsibility for Liabilities contended to arise by virtue of other alleged warranties, *including implied warranties* and statements in materials such as, without limitation, individual customer communications, owner's manuals, advertisements, and other promotional materials, catalogs and point of purchase materials." (emphasis added)); *see also* Sale Agreement § 2.3(b)(xvi) (one of the Retained Liabilities of Old GM was any liabilities "arising out of, related to or in connection with any (A) *implied warranty* or other *implied obligation arising under statutory or common law* without the necessity of an express warranty or (B) allegation, statement or writing by or attributable to [Old GM]." (emphasis added)).

35. In short, any breach of warranty claims Plaintiffs pursue relating to Old GM vehicles or parts (whether express or implied) improperly seek damages against New GM in violation of the Sale Order and Injunction.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See also Tulacro v. Chrysler Group LLC, et al., Adv. Proc. No. 11-09401 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Oct. 28, 2011) [Dkt. No. 18] (Exhibit "G" annexed hereto); *Tatum v. Chrysler Group LLC*, Adv. Proc. No. 11-09411 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 15, 2012) [Dkt. No. 73] (Exhibit "H" annexed hereto).

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## B. Any Purported State Lemon Law Claims Are Premature At Best, And Cannot Be Adequately Pled.

36. In an apparent attempt to circumvent the Court's Sale Order and Injunction, certain of the Monetary Relief Actions purport to assert claims based on alleged violations of state Lemon Laws. But merely referencing state Lemon Laws is not sufficient. Plaintiffs must actually plead facts giving rise to Lemon Law liability as defined in the Sale Agreement. Even a cursory review of the complaints reveals they have not done so.

37. New GM agreed to assume Old GM's "obligations under state 'lemon law' statutes, which require a manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when the manufacturer is unable to conform the vehicle to the warranty, as defined in the applicable statute, after a *reasonable number of attempts* as further defined in the statute, and other related regulatory obligations under such statutes." Sale Order and Injunction, ¶ 56 (emphasis added). None of the Plaintiffs has alleged that New GM has not conformed the vehicle "after a reasonable number of attempts." And, not only is New GM in the process of conforming the vehicles (through the various recalls), but the statutes of limitations on Lemon Law claims as defined in the Sale Agreement have expired for many of the Old GM vehicles referenced in the Monetary Relief Actions.

38. As Judge Bernstein found in *Old Carco*, whether claimants can assert a valid Lemon Law claim "depends on the law that governs each plaintiff's claim and whether the plaintiff can plead facts that satisfy the requirements of the particular Lemon Law." 492 B.R. at 406. He further held as follows:

With some variation, the party asserting a Lemon Law claim must typically plead and ultimately prove that (1) the vehicle does not conform to a warranty, (2) the

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nonconformity substantially impairs the use or value of the vehicle, and (3) the nonconformity continues to exist after a reasonable number of repair attempts.<sup>15</sup>

Judge Bernstein ultimately found that the claimants there did "not plead that any of the[m] brought their vehicles in for servicing, or that New Chrysler was unable to fix the problem after a reasonable number of attempts." *Id.* at 407. As was the case in *Old Carco*, none of the Plaintiffs here have pled that they brought their vehicles in to be fixed and, after a reasonable number of attempts, that they could not be fixed. They merely base their claims on the recall notices and letters to owners that New GM previously issued.

### CONCLUSION

39. New GM was created to purchase the assets of Old GM pursuant to the Sale Agreement. The limited category of liabilities that New GM agreed to assume as part of the purchase was the product of a negotiated bargain, which was approved by this Court in July 2009. Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions have essentially ignored this; they wrongfully treat New GM and Old GM interchangeably and are pursuing Old GM claims that they cannot lawfully pursue against New GM.

40. Schedule 2 provides examples of allegations that on their face relate to the Retained Liabilities asserted by the Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions. Set forth below are illustrations of what Plaintiffs have improperly alleged in such Actions.

(a) **Implied Warranty**. *See, e.g., See, e.g., Yagman* Compl., ¶ 16 ("defendants and each of them violated the warranty of merchantability . . . ."); *id.*, ¶ 17 ("defendants violated the warranty of fitness for a particular use of their product"); *Stevenson* Compl., ¶ 185 ("Old GM breached the implied warranty of

Old Carco, 492 B.R. at 406 (citing Sipe v. Fleetwood Motor Homes of Penn., Inc., 574 F. Supp. 2d 1019, 1028 (D. Minn. 2008); McLaughlin v. Chrysler Corp., 262 F. Supp. 2d 671, 679 (N.D.W. Va. 2002); Baker v. Chrysler Corp., Civ. A. No. 91–7092, 1993 WL 18099, at \*1–2 (E.D. Pa. Jan. 25, 1993); Palmer v. Fleetwood Enterp., Inc., Nos. C040161, C040765, 2003 WL 21228864, at \*4 (Cal. Ct. App. May 28, 2003); Iams v. DaimlerChrysler Corp., 174 Ohio App. 3d 537, 883 N.E.2d 466, 470 (2007); DiVigenze v. Chrysler Corp., 345 N.J. Super. 314, 785 A.2d 37, 48 (App. Div. 2001)).

merchantability by manufacturing and selling Defective Vehicles containing defects leading to the potential safety issues during ordinary driving conditions.").

- (b) Implied Obligations under Statute or Common Law. See, e.g., Andrews Compl. (asserting causes of action under California Consumer Legal Remedies Act and California Unfair Competition Law); Stevenson Compl. (asserting causes of action under California Consumer Legal Remedies Act and California Unfair Competition Law); Jones Complaint (asserting causes of action under States' consumer protection statutes).
- (c) Successor Liability. See, e.g., Yagman Compl. (not differentiating between Old GM and New GM); Andrews Compl., ¶ 59 ("GM inherited from Old GM a company that valued cost-cutting over safety . . . ."); id., ¶ 24 (alleging that New GM knew "[f]rom its inception" about many of the defects that existed in Old GM vehicles); Stevenson Compl, ¶¶ 65, 72-74 (allegations discussing Old GM's conduct).
- (d) Design Defect. See, e.g., Yagman Compl., ¶ 12 ("Defendant GM manufactured a defective vehicle"); id., ¶ 13 ("Defendant GM sold a defective vehicle."); Andrews Compl., ¶¶ 17-21 (alleging that vehicles manufactured by Old GM were sold with a defect); id., ¶ 232 (asserting as a common class question "[w]hether numerous GM vehicles suffer from serious defects").
- (e) Tort, Contract or Otherwise. See, e.g., Andrews Compl. (asserting a cause of action based on fraudulent concealment); Stevenson Compl. (asserting causes of action based on fraudulent concealment and tortious interference with contract); Jones Complaint (asserting causes of action based on fraudulent concealment and tortious interference with contract).
- (f) **The Conduct of Old GM**. *See, e.g., Yagman* Compl., ¶ 14 ("Defendant GM knew the vehicle [*i.e.*, a 2007 Buick Lucerne] was defective at the time it was put into the stream of commerce for sale and was sold); *Andrews* Compl., ¶ 3 ("GM enticed Plaintiff and all GM vehicle purchasers [not differentiating between purchasers who bought from Old GM and New GM] to buy vehicles that have now diminished in value as the truth about the GM brand has come out, and a stigma has attached to all GM-branded vehicles."); *Stevenson* Compl., ¶¶ 65, 72-74 (allegations discussing Old GM's conduct); *Jones* Compl., ¶¶ 65, 72-74 (allegations discussing Old GM's conduct).
- 41. New GM has no liability or responsibility for these Retained Liability claims and,

under the Sale Order and Injunction, Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions are enjoined from bringing them against New GM, and their pursuit of these claims violates the Court's injunction. *See, e.g.*, Sale Order and Injunction,  $\P$  8, 47. Accordingly, the Court should enforce the terms

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of its Sale Order and Injunction by ordering Plaintiffs to promptly dismiss all of their claims that violate the provisions of that Order, to cease and desist from all efforts to assert such claims against New GM that are void because of the Sale Order and Injunction, and to specifically identify which claims, if any, they might have which are not barred by this Court's Sale Order and Injunction.

### NOTICE AND NO PRIOR REQUESTS

42. Notice of this Motion to Enforce has been provided to (a) counsel for Plaintiffs in each of the Monetary Relief Actions, (b) Designated Counsel and other lead counsel involved in the Ignition Switch Motion to Enforce, (c) counsel for Motors Liquidation Company General Unsecured Creditors Trust, and (d) the Office of the United States Trustee. New GM submits that such notice is sufficient and no other or further notice need be provided.

43. No prior request for the relief sought in this Motion has been made to this or any other Court.

WHEREFORE, New GM respectfully requests that this Court: (i) enter an order substantially in the form set forth as Exhibit "I" annexed hereto, granting the relief sought herein; and (ii) grant New GM such other and further relief as the Court may deem just and proper.

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### **SCHEDULE "1"**

### CHART OF ECONOMIC LOSS ACTIONS

	Name	Class Models	Plaintiffs' Model <sup>1</sup>	<u>Court</u>	Filing Date
1	Yagman (Class Action)	Buick Lucerne Model Year 2006- 2011	2007 Buick Lucerne	Central District of California 2:14-cv-04696	6/18/14
2	Andrews (Class Action)	Numerous models manufactured by Old GM and New GM <sup>2</sup>	2010 Buick LaCrosse	Central District of California 5:14-cv-01239	6/18/14
3	Stevenson (Class Action)	Various models from 2004 to 2010	2007 Saturn Ion	Southern District of New York 14-cv-5137	7/3/14
4	Jones (Class Action)	Various models from 2004 to 2010	2008 Chevy Malibu	Southern District of New York 14-cv-5850	7/29/14

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The purported class in an alleged class action should not be greater in scope than the claims related to the named representative plaintiffs. Other than the proposed representative in the *Andrews* Action, the proposed representative plaintiffs all owned vehicles designed and manufactured by Old GM.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The class in the *Andrews* Action includes all persons who own or lease any new or used GM-branded vehicle sold between July 10, 2009, and April 1, 2014, excluding "owners and lessors of model year 2005-2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, 2005-2011 Chevrolet HHRs, 2007-2010 Pontiac G5s, 2003-2007 Saturn Ions, and 2007-2010 Saturn Skys, whose vehicles were recalled for an ignition switch defect." *Andrews* Compl., ¶ 25.

### SCHEDULE "2"

### SAMPLE ALLEGATIONS/CAUSES OF ACTION IN IGNITION SWITCH COMPLAINTS<sup>1</sup>

Lead Plaintiff	Allegations
Andrews	"GM enticed Plaintiff and all GM vehicle purchasers to buy vehicles that have now diminished in value as the truth about the GM brand has come out, and a stigma has attached to all GM-branded vehicles." Compl., $\P$ 3.
	Allegations regarding defects in numerous vehicles manufactured by Old GM. <i>See, e.g.</i> , Compl., ¶¶ 17-21, 86, 97, 111, 131, 143.
	The purported class of plaintiffs appears to include all owners of GM vehicles (whether manufactured by Old GM or New GM) that purchased their vehicles between July 10, 2009 and April 1, 2014. Compl., $\P 25$ . <sup>2</sup>
	"GM inherited from Old GM a company that valued cost-cutting over safety, actively discouraged its personnel from taking a 'hard line' on safety issues, avoided using 'hot' words like 'stall' that might attract the attention of NHTSA and suggest that a recall was required, and trained its employees to avoid the use of words such as 'defect' or 'problem' that might flag the existence of a safety issue. GM did nothing to change these practices." Compl., ¶ 59.
	"In April 2006, the GM design engineer who was responsible for the ignition switch in the recalled vehicles, Design Research Engineer Ray DeGiorgio, authorized part supplier Delphi to implement changes to fix the ignition switch defect. [footnote omitted] The design change 'was implemented to increase torque performance in the switch.' [footnote omitted] However, testing showed that, even with the proposed change, the performance of the ignition switch was still below original specifications. [footnote omitted] <i>Yet no recall occurred.</i> " Compl., ¶ 76 (emphasis in original).
	"Modified ignition switches – with greater torque – started to be installed in 2007 model/year vehicles." Compl., $\P$ 77.
	"In June 2008, Old GM noticed increased warranty claims for airbag service on certain of its vehicles and determined it was due to increased resistance in airbag wiring. After analysis of the tin connectors in September 2008, Old GM determined that corrosion and wear to the connectors was causing the increased resistance in the airbag wiring. It released a technical service bulletin on November 25, 2008, for 2008-2009 Buick

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Due to space limitations, this chart contains only a *sample* of statements, allegations and/or causes of action contained in the complaints filed in the Economic Loss Actions. This chart does *not* contain *all* statements, allegations and/or causes of action that New GM believes violates the provisions of the Court's Sale Order and Injunction and the MSPA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Excluded from the class are "owners and lessors of model year 2005-2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, 2005-2011 Chevrolet HHRs, 2007-2010 Pontiac G5s, 2003-2007 Saturn Ions, and 2007-2010 Saturn Skys, whose vehicles were recalled for an ignition switch defect." *Andrews* Compl., ¶ 25.

	Enclaves, 2009 Chevy Traverse, 2008-2009 GMC Acadia, and 2008-2009 Saturn Outlook models, instructing dealers to repair the defect by using Nyogel grease, securing the connectors, and adding slack to the line. Old GM also began the transition back to gold-plated terminals in certain vehicles. At that point, Old GM suspended all investigation into the defective airbag wiring and took no further action." Compl., ¶ 101. "On December 4, 2008, Old GM issued a TSB recommending the application of dielectric grease to the BCM C2 connector for the MY 2005-2009, Pontiac G6, 2004-2007 Chevrolet Malibu/Malibu Maxx and 2008 Malibu Classic and 2007-2009 Saturn
	Aura vehicles." Compl., ¶ 119. A class question is "[w]hether GM misrepresented to Affected Vehicle purchasers that GM vehicles are safe, reliable, and of high quality[.]" Compl., ¶ 232(c).
	"Had they been aware of the many defects that existed in GM-branded vehicles, the Company's disregard for safety, Plaintiff either would have paid less for her vehicle or would not have purchased it at all." Compl., ¶ 248.
	"From the date of its inception on July 10, 2009, GM knew of many serious defects affecting many models and years of GM-branded vehicles, both because of the knowledge of Old GM personnel who remained at GM and continuous reports, investigations, and notifications from regulatory authorities. GM became aware of other serious defects years ago, but concealed all of them until recently." Compl., ¶ 261.
Jones	"This case arises out of General Motors ('GM') and its predecessor's [footnote omitted] failure to disclose and lengthy concealment of a known defect affecting the Electronic Power Steering ('EPS') system of over 1.3 million vehicles and compromising the safety and integrity of those vehicles." Compl., $\P$ 1.
	"From 2004 until March of 2014, GM concealed and did not fix the serious quality and safety problems affecting the Defective Vehicles." Compl., ¶ 7.
	"From at least 2004 to the present both Old GM and GM received reports of crashes and injuries that put GM on notice of the serious safety issues presented by its EPS system." Compl., $\P$ 9.
	"The applicability of the bar on successor liability claims against GM for the acts and omissions of Old GM prior to the Sale Order is an issue that is currently pending in Bankruptcy Court in the Southern District of New York. To the extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Court, Plaintiff herein will seek leave of this Court to amend the complaint to add successor liability claims against GM for the acts and omissions of Old GM." Compl., p. 5 n.6.
	Paragraph 64 of the Complaint references alleged "training materials" from 2008.
	"Over 1.2 million vehicles sold by Old GM and later GM between 2003 and 2010 had defective wiring harnesses." Compl., ¶ 70.
	Paragraphs 72 and 73 concern events that occurred between June 2008 and September 2008.

	The purported Class is defined as following: "During the fullest period allowed by law, all persons in the United States who own or lease, or who sold after March 1, 2014, one or more of the following GM vehicles: 2005-2006, 2007-2010 Pontiac G6; 2004-2006, 2008-2009 Chevy Malibu; 2004-2006 Chevy Malibu Max; 2009-2010 Chevy HHR; 2008-2009 Saturn Aura." Compl., ¶ 99. Plaintiff alleges that a Class question is "[w]hether the Defective Vehicles suffer from EPS system defects." Compl., ¶ 106(A).
Stevenson	Named Plaintiff "purchased a 2007 Saturn Ion on or around November 2007, in Bakersfield, California." Compl., ¶ 17.
	"Plaintiff and Class members' vehicles are worth less than they would be without the defects. A vehicle purchased, leased, or retained with serious safety defects is worth less than the equivalent vehicle leased, purchased, or retained without the defect." Compl., ¶ 58.
	"A vehicle purchased, leased, or retained under the reasonable assumption that it is safe is worth more than a vehicle known to be subject to the unreasonable risk of accident because of the EPS defects." Compl., ¶ 59.
	Allegations discussing Old GM conduct are contained in various paragraphs including, without limitation, paragraphs 65, 72 to 74.
	"Old GM impliedly warranted to Plaintiff and Class members that its Defective Vehicles were 'merchantable' within the meaning of Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1791.1(a) & 1792" Compl., ¶ 180.
	"Old GM breached the implied warranty of merchantability by manufacturing and selling Defective Vehicles containing defects leading to the potential safety issues during ordinary driving conditions." Compl., ¶ 185.
Yagman	"Plaintiff is an owner of a 2007 Buick Lucerne." Compl., ¶ 5.
	"Plaintiff now is an owner of a defective vehicle. Defendant GM manufactured a defective vehicle. Defendant GM sold a defective vehicle. Defendant GM knew the vehicle was defective at the time it was put into the stream of commerce for sale and was sold." Compl., ¶¶ 11-14.
	"[D]efendants and each of them violated the warranty of merchantability and thereby damaged plaintiff." Compl., $\P$ 16.
	"[D]efendants violated the warranty of fitness for a particular use of their product.' Compl., $\P$ 17

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# **Exhibit** A

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## AMENDED AND RESTATED

## MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

## BY AND AMONG

## GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION,

## SATURN LLC,

## SATURN DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION

## AND

## CHEVROLET-SATURN OF HARLEM, INC.,

as Sellers

AND

NGMCO, INC.,

as Purchaser

DATED AS OF

JUNE 26, 2009

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#### AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated as of June 26, 2009, is made by and among General Motors Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Parent"), Saturn LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>S LLC</u>"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>S Distribution</u>"), Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Harlem</u>," and collectively with Parent, S LLC and S Distribution, "<u>Sellers</u>," and each a "<u>Seller</u>"), and NGMCO, Inc., a Delaware corporation and successor-in-interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Purchaser</u>").

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2009 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Parties entered into that certain Master Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "<u>Original Agreement</u>"), and, in connection therewith, Sellers filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "<u>Bankruptcy Cases</u>") under Chapter 11 of Title 11, U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq., as amended (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, Sellers desire to sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to Purchaser, and Purchaser desires to purchase, accept and acquire from Sellers all of the Purchased Assets (as hereinafter defined) and assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, all of the Assumed Liabilities (as hereinafter defined), in each case, in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Bankruptcy Code;

WHEREAS, on the Petition Date, Purchaser entered into equity subscription agreements with each of Canada, Sponsor and the New VEBA (each as hereinafter defined), pursuant to which Purchaser has agreed to issue, on the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined), the Canada Shares, the Sponsor Shares, the VEBA Shares, the VEBA Note and the VEBA Warrant (each as hereinafter defined);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the equity subscription agreement between Purchaser and Canada, Canada has agreed to (i) contribute on or before the Closing Date an amount of Indebtedness (as hereinafter defined) owed to it by General Motors of Canada Limited ("<u>GMCL</u>"), which results in not more than \$1,288,135,593 of such Indebtedness remaining an obligation of GMCL, to Canada immediately following the Closing (the "<u>Canadian Debt</u> <u>Contribution</u>") and (ii) exchange immediately following the Closing the \$3,887,000,000 loan to be made by Canada to Purchaser for additional shares of capital stock of Purchaser;

WHEREAS, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are in furtherance of the conditions, covenants and requirements of the UST Credit Facilities (as hereinafter defined) and are intended to result in a rationalization of the costs, capitalization and capacity with respect to the manufacturing workforce of, and suppliers to, Sellers and their Subsidiaries (as hereinafter defined);

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that Purchaser may, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, prior to the Closing (as hereinafter defined), engage in one or more related transactions (the "Holding Company Reorganization") generally designed to reorganize

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Purchaser and one or more newly-formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Purchaser into a holding company structure that results in Purchaser becoming a direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiary of a newly-formed Delaware corporation ("<u>Holding Company</u>"); and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that Purchaser may, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, direct the transfer of the Purchased Assets on its behalf by assigning its rights to purchase, accept and acquire the Purchased Assets and its obligations to assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, the Assumed Liabilities, to Holding Company or one or more newly-formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Holding Company or Purchaser.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Parties (as hereinafter defined) hereby agree as follows:

## ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings set forth below or in the Sections referred to below:

"<u>Adjustment Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(c)(i).

"<u>Advisory Fees</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.20.

"<u>Affiliate</u>" has the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

"<u>Affiliate Contract</u>" means a Contract between a Seller or a Subsidiary of a Seller, on the one hand, and an Affiliate of such Seller or Subsidiary of a Seller, on the other hand.

"<u>Agreed G Transaction</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"Agreement" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Allocation</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.

"<u>Alternative Transaction</u>" means the sale, transfer, lease or other disposition, directly or indirectly, including through an asset sale, stock sale, merger or other similar transaction, of all or substantially all of the Purchased Assets in a transaction or a series of transactions with one or more Persons other than Purchaser (or its Affiliates).

"<u>Ancillary Agreements</u>" means the Parent Warrants, the UAW Active Labor Modifications, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the VEBA Warrant, the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, the Bill of Sale, the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, the Novation Agreement, the Government Related Subcontract Agreement, the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement, the Quitclaim Deeds, the

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Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases, the Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease, the Master Lease Agreement, the Subdivision Master Lease (if required), the Saginaw Service Contracts (if required), the Assignment and Assumption of Willow Run Lease, the Ren Cen Lease, the VEBA Note and each other agreement or document executed by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement or any of the foregoing and each certificate and other document to be delivered by the Parties pursuant to ARTICLE VII.

"<u>Antitrust Laws</u>" means all Laws that (i) are designed or intended to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or the lessening of competition through merger or acquisition or (ii) involve foreign investment review by Governmental Authorities.

"<u>Applicable Employee</u>" means all (i) current salaried employees of Parent and (ii) current hourly employees of any Seller or any of its Affiliates (excluding Purchased Subsidiaries and any dealership) represented by the UAW, in each case, including such current salaried and current hourly employees who are on (a) long-term or short-term disability, military leave, sick leave, family medical leave or some other approved leave of absence or (b) layoff status or who have recall rights.

"<u>Arms-Length Basis</u>" means a transaction between two Persons that is carried out on terms no less favorable than the terms on which the transaction would be carried out by unrelated or unaffiliated Persons, acting as a willing buyer and a willing seller, and each acting in his own self-interest.

"<u>Assignment and Assumption Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(v).

"<u>Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(xiii).

"<u>Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(xii)**.

"<u>Assignment and Assumption of Willow Run Lease</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(e)**.

"<u>Assumable Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(a)**.

"<u>Assumable Executory Contract Schedule</u>" means Section 1.1A of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

"<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a).

"<u>Assumed Plans</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.17(e)**.

"<u>Assumption Effective Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(d)**.

"<u>Bankruptcy Avoidance Actions</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(xi).

"<u>Bankruptcy Cases</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Benefit Plans</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.10(a)**.

"<u>Bidders</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4**(c).

"<u>Bids</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(c)**.

"<u>Bill of Sale</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(iv).

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which banks are required or authorized by Law to be closed in the City of New York, New York.

"<u>CA</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Canada</u>" means 7176384 Canada Inc., a corporation organized under the Laws of Canada, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canada Development Investment Corporation, and its successors and assigns.

"<u>Canada Affiliate</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.22.

"<u>Canada Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(c).

"Canadian Debt Contribution" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Claims</u>" means all rights, claims (including any cross-claim or counterclaim), investigations, causes of action, choses in action, charges, suits, defenses, demands, damages, defaults, assessments, rights of recovery, rights of set-off, rights of recoupment, litigation, third party actions, arbitral proceedings or proceedings by or before any Governmental Authority or any other Person, of any kind or nature, whether known or unknown, accrued, fixed, absolute, contingent or matured, liquidated or unliquidated, due or to become due, and all rights and remedies with respect thereto.

"Claims Estimate Order" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(c)(i).

"<u>Closing</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.1.

"<u>Closing Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.1**.

"<u>Collective Bargaining Agreement</u>" means any collective bargaining agreement or other written or oral agreement, understanding or mutually recognized past practice with respect to Employees, between any Seller (or any Subsidiary thereof) and any labor organization or other Representative of Employees (including the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, local agreements, amendments, supplements and letters and memoranda of understanding of any kind). "<u>Common Stock</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4(b)**.

"<u>Confidential Information</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.24.

"<u>Confidentiality Period</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.24.

"<u>Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement</u>" means a United States dealer sales and service Contract related to one or more of the Continuing Brands, together with all other Contracts between any Seller and the relevant dealer that are related to the dealership operations of such dealer other than Contracts identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, each of which Contract identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract.

"<u>Continuing Brands</u>" means each of the following vehicle line-makes, currently distributed in the United States by Parent or its Subsidiaries: Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet and GMC.

"<u>Contracts</u>" means all purchase orders, sales agreements, supply agreements, distribution agreements, sales representative agreements, employee or consulting agreements, leases, subleases, licenses, product warranty or service agreements and other binding commitments, agreements, contracts, arrangements, obligations and undertakings of any nature (whether written or oral, and whether express or implied).

"<u>Copyright Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any right to reproduce, publicly display, publicly perform, distribute, create derivative works of or otherwise exploit any works covered by any Copyright.

"<u>Copyrights</u>" means all domestic and foreign copyrights, whether registered or unregistered, including all copyright rights throughout the universe (whether now or hereafter arising) in any and all media (whether now or hereafter developed), in and to all original works of authorship (including all compilations of information or marketing materials created by or on behalf of any Seller), acquired, owned or licensed by any Seller, all applications, registrations and recordings thereof (including applications, registrations and recordings in the United States Copyright Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States or any other country or any political subdivision thereof) and all reissues, renewals, restorations, extensions and revisions thereof.

"<u>Cure Amounts</u>" means all cure amounts payable in order to cure any monetary defaults required to be cured under Section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise to effectuate, pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the assumption by the applicable Seller and assignment to Purchaser of the Purchased Contracts.

"<u>Damages</u>" means any and all Losses, other than punitive damages.

"<u>Dealer Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.17.

"<u>Deferred Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(c)**.

"Deferred Termination Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.7(a).

"<u>Delayed Closing Entities</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.35**.

"Delphi" means Delphi Corporation.

"<u>Delphi Motion</u>" means the motion filed by Parent with the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases on June 20, 2009, seeking authorization and approval of (i) the purchase, and guarantee of purchase, of certain assets of Delphi, (ii) entry into certain agreements in connection with the sale of substantially all of the remaining assets of Delphi to a third party, (iii) the assumption of certain Executory Contracts in connection with such sale, (iv) entry into an agreement with the PBGC in connection with such sale and (v) entry into an alternative transaction with the successful bidder in the auction for the assets of Delphi.

"Delphi Transaction Agreements" means (i) either (A) the MDA, the SPA, the Loan Agreement, the Operating Agreement, the Commercial Agreements and any Ancillary Agreements (in each case, as defined in the Delphi Motion), which any Seller is a party to, or (B) in the event that an Acceptable Alternative Transaction (as defined in the Delphi Motion) is consummated, any agreements relating to the Acceptable Alternative Transaction, which any Seller is a party to, and (ii) in the event that the PBGC Agreement is entered into at or prior to the Closing, the PBGC Agreement (as defined in the Delphi Motion) and any ancillary agreements entered into pursuant thereto, which any Seller is a party to, as each of the agreements described in clauses (i) or (ii) hereof may be amended from time to time.

"<u>DIP Facility</u>" means that certain Secured Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement entered into or to be entered into by Parent, as borrower, certain Subsidiaries of Parent listed therein, as guarantors, Sponsor, as lender, and Export Development Canada, as lender.

"<u>Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement</u>" means a United States dealer sales and service Contract related to one or more of the Discontinued Brands, together with all other Contracts between any Seller and the relevant dealer that are related to the dealership operations of such dealer other than Contracts identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, each of which Contract identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract.

"<u>Discontinued Brands</u>" means each of the following vehicle line-makes, currently distributed in the United States by Parent or its Subsidiaries: Hummer, Saab, Saturn and Pontiac.

"<u>Disqualified Individual</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.10(f)**.

"<u>Employees</u>" means (i) each employee or officer of any of Sellers or their Affiliates (including (a) any current, former or retired employees or officers, (b) employees or officers on long-term or short-term disability, military leave, sick leave, family medical leave or some other approved leave of absence and (c) employees on layoff status or with recall rights); (ii) each consultant or other service provider of any of Sellers or their Affiliates who is a former employee, officer or director of any of Sellers or their Affiliates; and (iii) each individual recognized under any Collective Bargaining Agreement as being employed by or having rights to

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employment by any of Sellers or their Affiliates. For the avoidance of doubt, Employees includes all employees of Sellers or any of their Affiliates, whether or not Transferred Employees.

"Employment-Related Obligations" means all Liabilities arising out of, related to, in respect of or in connection with employment relationships or alleged or potential employment relationships with Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers relating to Employees, leased employees, applicants, and/or independent contractors or those individuals who are deemed to be employees of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers by Contract or Law, whether filed or asserted before, on or "Employment-Related Obligations" includes Claims relating to after the Closing. discrimination, torts, compensation for services (and related employment and withholding Taxes), workers' compensation or similar benefits and payments on account of occupational illnesses and injuries, employment Contracts, Collective Bargaining Agreements, grievances originating under a Collective Bargaining Agreement, wrongful discharge, invasion of privacy, infliction of emotional distress, defamation, slander, provision of leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, as amended, or other similar Laws, car programs, relocation, expense-reporting, Tax protection policies, Claims arising out of WARN or employment, terms of employment, transfers, re-levels, demotions, failure to hire, failure to promote, compensation policies, practices and treatment, termination of employment, harassment, pay equity, employee benefits (including post-employment welfare and other benefits), employee treatment, employee suggestions or ideas, fiduciary performance, employment practices, the modification or termination of Benefit Plans or employee benefit plans, policies, programs, agreements and arrangements of Purchaser, including decisions to provide plans that are different from Benefit Plans, and the like. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, with respect to any Employees, leased employees, and/or independent contractors or those individuals who are deemed to be employees of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers by Contract or Law, "Employment-Related Obligations" includes payroll and social security Taxes, contributions (whether required or voluntary) to any retirement, health and welfare or similar plan or arrangement, notice, severance or similar payments required under Law, and obligations under Law with respect to occupational injuries and illnesses.

"<u>Encumbrance</u>" means any lien (statutory or otherwise), charge, deed of trust, pledge, security interest, conditional sale or other title retention agreement, lease, mortgage, option, charge, hypothecation, easement, right of first offer, license, covenant, restriction, ownership interest of another Person or other encumbrance.

"<u>End Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 8.1(b)**.

"<u>Environment</u>" means any surface water, groundwater, drinking water supply, land surface or subsurface soil or strata, ambient air, natural resource or wildlife habitat.

"<u>Environmental Law</u>" means any Law in existence on the date of the Original Agreement relating to the management or Release of, or exposure of humans to, any Hazardous Materials; or pollution; or the protection of human health and welfare and the Environment.

"<u>Equity Incentive Plans</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.28.

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"<u>Equity Interest</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or other acquisition from such Person of shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person or warrants, options or rights for the purchase or other acquisition from such Person of such shares (or such other ownership or profits interests) and other ownership or profit interests in such Person (including partnership, member or trust interests therein), whether voting or nonvoting.

"Equity Registration Rights Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(c).

"<u>ERISA</u>" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>ERISA Affiliate</u>" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that is part of the same controlled group, or under common control with, or part of an affiliated service group that includes any Seller, within the meaning of Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Tax Code or Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA.

"<u>Exchange Act</u>" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Excluded Assets</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)**.

"<u>Excluded Cash</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(i).

"<u>Excluded Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements</u>" means all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements, other than those that are Assumable Executory Contracts.

"<u>Excluded Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)(vii)**.

"Excluded Entities" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(iv).

"<u>Excluded Insurance Policies</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)(xiii)**.

"<u>Excluded Personal Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)(vi)**.

"<u>Excluded Real Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(v).

"<u>Excluded Subsidiaries</u>" means, collectively, the direct Subsidiaries of Sellers included in the Excluded Entities and their respective direct and indirect Subsidiaries, in each case, as of the Closing Date.

"<u>Executory Contract</u>" means an executory Contract or unexpired lease of personal property or nonresidential real property.

"Executory Contract Designation Deadline" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.6(a).

"Existing Internal VEBA" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.17(h).

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"Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"<u>Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement</u>" means the Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2008, between Parent and Sponsor, as amended.

## "FCPA" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.19.

"<u>Final Determination</u>" means (i) with respect to U.S. federal income Taxes, a "determination" as defined in Section 1313(a) of the Tax Code or execution of an IRS Form 870-AD and, (ii) with respect to Taxes other than U.S. federal income Taxes, any final determination of Liability in respect of a Tax that, under applicable Law, is not subject to further appeal, review or modification through proceedings or otherwise, including the expiration of a statute of limitations or a period for the filing of Claims for refunds, amended Tax Returns or appeals from adverse determinations.

"<u>Final Order</u>" means (i) an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or any other court or adjudicative body as to which the time to appeal, petition for certiorari or move for reargument or rehearing has expired and as to which no appeal, petition for certiorari or other proceedings for reargument or rehearing shall then be pending, or (ii) in the event that an appeal, writ of certiorari, reargument or rehearing thereof has been sought, such Order of the Bankruptcy Court or any other court or adjudicative body shall have been affirmed by the highest court to which such Order was appealed, or certiorari has been denied, or from which reargument or rehearing was sought, and the time to take any further appeal, petition for certiorari or move for reargument or rehearing shall have expired; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no Order shall fail to be a Final Order solely because of the possibility that a motion pursuant to Rule 60 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or Bankruptcy Rule 9024 may be filed with respect to such Order.

"FSA Approval" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.34.

"<u>G Transaction</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>GAAP</u>" means the United States generally accepted accounting principles and practices as in effect from time to time, consistently applied throughout the specified period.

"GMAC" means GMAC LLC.

"<u>GM Assumed Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Delphi Motion.

"GMCL" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Governmental Authority</u>" means any United States or non-United States federal, national, provincial, state or local government or other political subdivision thereof, any entity, authority, agency or body exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of any such government or political subdivision, and any supranational organization of sovereign states exercising such functions for such sovereign states.

"<u>Government Related Subcontract Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(vii).

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"<u>Harlem</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means any material or substance that is regulated, or can give rise to Claims, Liabilities or Losses, under any Environmental Law or a Permit issued pursuant to any Environmental Law, including any petroleum, petroleum-based or petroleum-derived product, polychlorinated biphenyls, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, lead and any noxious, radioactive, flammable, corrosive, toxic, hazardous or caustic substance (whether solid, liquid or gaseous).

"<u>Holding Company</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Holding Company Reorganization" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Indebtedness" means, with respect to any Person, without duplication: (i) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money (including all accrued and unpaid interest and all prepayment penalties or premiums in respect thereof); (ii) all obligations of such Person to pay amounts evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments (including all accrued and unpaid interest and all prepayment penalties or premiums in respect thereof); (iii) all obligations of others, of the types set forth in clauses (i)-(ii) above that are secured by any Encumbrance on property owned or acquired by such Person, whether or not the obligations secured thereby have been assumed, but only to the extent so secured; (iv) all unreimbursed reimbursement obligations of such Person under letters of credit issued for the account of such Person; (v) obligations of such Person under conditional sale, title retention or similar arrangements or other obligations, in each case, to pay the deferred purchase price for property or services, to the extent of the unpaid purchase price (other than trade payables and customary reservations or retentions of title under Contracts with suppliers, in each case, in the Ordinary Course of Business); (vi) all net monetary obligations of such Person in respect of interest rate, equity and currency swap and other derivative transaction obligations; and (vii) all guarantees of or by such Person of any of the matters described in clauses (i)-(vi) above, to the extent of the maximum amount for which such Person may be liable pursuant to such guarantee.

"<u>Intellectual Property</u>" means all Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, Trade Secrets, Software, all rights under the Licenses and all concepts, ideas, know-how, show-how, proprietary information, technology, formulae, processes and other general intangibles of like nature, and other intellectual property to the extent entitled to legal protection as such, including products under development and methodologies therefor, in each case acquired, owned or licensed by a Seller.

"Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(viii).

"Intercompany Obligations" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(iv).

"Inventory" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(viii).

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

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"Key Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect Subsidiary (which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall only include any legal entity in which a Seller, directly or indirectly, owns greater than 50% of the outstanding Equity Interests in such legal entity) of Sellers (other than trusts) with assets (excluding any Intercompany Obligations) in excess of Two Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars (\$250,000,000) as reflected on Parent's consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2009 and listed on Section 1.1C of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

"<u>Knowledge of Sellers</u>" means the actual knowledge of the individuals listed on Section 1.1D of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as to the matters represented and as of the date the representation is made.

"<u>Law</u>" means any and all applicable United States or non-United States federal, national, provincial, state or local laws, rules, regulations, directives, decrees, treaties, statutes, provisions of any constitution and principles (including principles of common law) of any Governmental Authority, as well as any applicable Final Order.

"<u>Landlocked Parcel</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(c)**.

"<u>Leased Real Property</u>" means all the real property leased or subleased by Sellers, except for any such leased or subleased real property subject to any Contracts designated as Excluded Contracts.

"<u>Lemon Laws</u>" means a state statute requiring a vehicle manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when such manufacturer is unable to conform a vehicle to the express written warranty after a reasonable number of attempts, as defined in the applicable statute.

"<u>Liabilities</u>" means any and all liabilities and obligations of every kind and description whatsoever, whether such liabilities or obligations are known or unknown, disclosed or undisclosed, matured or unmatured, accrued, fixed, absolute, contingent, determined or undeterminable, on or off-balance sheet or otherwise, or due or to become due, including Indebtedness and those arising under any Law, Claim, Order, Contract or otherwise.

"<u>Licenses</u>" means the Patent Licenses, the Trademark Licenses, the Copyright Licenses, the Software Licenses and the Trade Secret Licenses.

"<u>Losses</u>" means any and all Liabilities, losses, damages, fines, amounts paid in settlement, penalties, costs and expenses (including reasonable and documented attorneys', accountants', consultants', engineers' and experts' fees and expenses).

"<u>LSA Agreement</u>" means the Amended and Restated GM-Delphi Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2009, and any ancillary agreements entered into pursuant thereto, which any Seller is a party to, as each such agreement may be amended from time to time.

"<u>Master Lease Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(xiv)**.

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means any change, effect, occurrence or development that, individually or in the aggregate, has or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Purchased Assets, Assumed Liabilities or results of operations of Parent and its

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Purchased Subsidiaries, taken as a whole; provided, however, that the term "Material Adverse Effect" does not, and shall not be deemed to, include, either alone or in combination, any changes, effects, occurrences or developments: (i) resulting from general economic or business conditions in the United States or any other country in which Sellers and their respective Subsidiaries have operations, or the worldwide economy taken as a whole; (ii) affecting Sellers in the industry or the markets where Sellers operate (except to the extent such change, occurrence or development has a disproportionate adverse effect on Parent and its Subsidiaries relative to other participants in such industry or markets, taken as a whole); (iii) resulting from any changes (or proposed or prospective changes) in any Law or in GAAP or any foreign generally accepted accounting principles; (iv) in securities markets, interest rates, regulatory or political conditions, including resulting or arising from acts of terrorism or the commencement or escalation of any war, whether declared or undeclared, or other hostilities; (v) resulting from the negotiation, announcement or performance of this Agreement or the DIP Facility, or the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, including by reason of the identity of Sellers, Purchaser or Sponsor or any communication by Sellers, Purchaser or Sponsor of any plans or intentions regarding the operation of Sellers' business, including the Purchased Assets, prior to or following the Closing; (vi) resulting from any act or omission of any Seller required or contemplated by the terms of this Agreement, the DIP Facility or the Viability Plans, or otherwise taken with the prior consent of Sponsor or Purchaser, including Parent's announced shutdown, which began in May 2009; and (vii) resulting from the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases (or any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by any Subsidiary of Parent) or from any action approved by the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court in connection with any such other proceedings).

"<u>New VEBA</u>" means the trust fund established pursuant to the Settlement Agreement.

"<u>Non-Assignable Assets</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.4(a)**.

"<u>Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.17(m)(i).

"<u>Non-UAW Settlement Agreements</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.17(m)(ii).

"<u>Notice of Intent to Reject</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b**).

"<u>Novation Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2**(c)(vi).

"<u>Option Period</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b**).

"<u>Order</u>" means any writ, judgment, decree, stipulation, agreement, determination, award, injunction or similar order of any Governmental Authority, whether temporary, preliminary or permanent.

"<u>Ordinary Course of Business</u>" means the usual, regular and ordinary course of business consistent with the past practice thereof (including with respect to quantity and frequency) as and to the extent modified in connection with (i) the implementation of the Viability Plans; (ii) Parent's announced shutdown, which began in May 2009; and (iii) the Bankruptcy Cases (or any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by or in respect of any Subsidiary of

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Parent), in the case of clause (iii), to the extent such modifications were approved by the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court or other Governmental Authority in connection with any such other proceedings), or in furtherance of such approval.

"<u>Organizational Document</u>" means (i) with respect to a corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and bylaws or their equivalent; (ii) with respect to any other entity, any charter, bylaws, limited liability company agreement, certificate of formation, articles of organization or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of a Person; and (iii) in the case of clauses (i) and (ii) above, any amendment to any of the foregoing other than as prohibited by **Section 6.2(b)(vi)**.

"<u>Original Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Owned Real Property</u>" means all real property owned by Sellers (including all buildings, structures and improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto), except for any such real property included in the Excluded Real Property.

"<u>Parent</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies" means all (i) "employee benefit plans" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) and all pension, savings, profit sharing, retirement, bonus, incentive, health, dental, life, death, accident, disability, stock purchase, stock option, stock appreciation, stock bonus, other equity, executive or deferred compensation, hospitalization, post-retirement (including retiree medical or retiree life, voluntary employees' beneficiary associations, and multiemployer plans (as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA)), severance, retention, change in control, vacation, cafeteria, sick leave, fringe, perquisite, welfare benefits or other employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements (whether written or oral), including those plans, programs, policies, agreements and arrangement is an eligible participant, (ii) employment or individual consulting Contracts and (iii) employee manuals and written policies, practices or understandings relating to employment, compensation and benefits, and in the case of clauses (i) through (iii), sponsored, maintained, entered into, or contributed to, or required to be maintained or contributed to, by Parent.

"<u>Parent SEC Documents</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.5(a).

"<u>Parent Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(a)(iii)**.

"<u>Parent Warrant A</u>" means warrants to acquire 45,454,545 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to a warrant agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"<u>Parent Warrant B</u>" means warrants to acquire 45,454,545 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to a warrant agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"Parent Warrants" means collectively, Parent Warrant A and Parent Warrant B.

"<u>Participation Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.7(b).

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"<u>Parties</u>" means Sellers and Purchaser together, and "<u>Party</u>" means any of Sellers, on the one hand, or Purchaser, on the other hand, as appropriate and as the case may be.

"<u>Patent Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any right to manufacture, use, lease, or sell any invention, design, idea, concept, method, technique or process covered by any Patent.

"<u>Patents</u>" means all inventions, patentable designs, letters patent and design letters patent of the United States or any other country and all applications (regular and provisional) for letters patent or design letters patent of the United States or any other country, including applications in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any state thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof, and all reissues, divisions, continuations, continuations in part, revisions, reexaminations and extensions or renewals of any of the foregoing.

"<u>PBGC</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.10(a)**.

"<u>Permits</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(xi).

"Permitted Encumbrances" means all (i) purchase money security interests arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (ii) security interests relating to progress payments created or arising pursuant to government Contracts in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iii) security interests relating to vendor tooling arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iv) Encumbrances that have been or may be created by or with the written consent of Purchaser; (v) mechanic's, materialmen's, laborer's, workmen's, repairmen's, carrier's liens and other similar Encumbrances arising by operation of law or statute in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts that are not delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which appropriate reserves have been established; (vi) liens for Taxes, the validity or amount of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and statutory liens for current Taxes not yet due, payable or delinquent (or which may be paid without interest or penalties); (vii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Owned Real Property, other than Secured Real Property Encumbrances at and following the Closing: (a) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use of the affected property; (b) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways abutting or adjacent to the applicable Owned Real Property; (c) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Owned Real Property, which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use of the applicable Owned Real Property; and (d) such other Encumbrances, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with or affect the present use or occupancy of the applicable Owned Real Property; (viii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Leased Real Property: (1) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose; (2) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways

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abutting or adjacent to the applicable Leased Real Property; (3) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Leased Real Property or which have otherwise been imposed on such property by landlords; (ix) in the case of the Transferred Equity Interests, all restrictions and obligations contained in any Organizational Document, joint venture agreement, shareholders agreement, voting agreement and related documents and agreements, in each case, affecting the Transferred Equity Interests; (x) except to the extent otherwise agreed to in the Ratification Agreement entered into by Sellers and GMAC on June 1, 2009 and approved by the Bankruptcy Court on the date thereof or any other written agreement between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller, all Claims (in each case solely to the extent such Claims constitute Encumbrances) and Encumbrances in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries in, upon or with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest, including any of the following: (1) cash, deposits, certificates of deposit, deposit accounts, escrow funds, surety bonds, letters of credit and similar agreements and instruments; (2) owned or leased equipment; (3) owned or leased real property; (4) motor vehicles, inventory, equipment, statements of origin, certificates of title, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, documents and instruments of dealers, including property of dealers in-transit to, surrendered or returned by or repossessed from dealers or otherwise in any Seller's possession or under its control; (5) property securing obligations of Sellers under derivatives Contracts; (6) rights or property with respect to which a Claim or Encumbrance in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries is disclosed in any filing made by Parent with the SEC (including any filed exhibit); and (7) supporting obligations, insurance rights and Claims against third parties relating to the foregoing; and (xi) all rights of setoff and/or recoupment that are Encumbrances in favor of GMAC and/or its Subsidiaries against amounts owed to Sellers and/or any of their Subsidiaries with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest as more fully described in clause (x) above; it being understood that nothing in this clause (xi) or preceding clause (x) shall be deemed to modify, amend or otherwise change any agreement as between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller.

"<u>Person</u>" means any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, association, trust, unincorporated organization, joint venture, limited liability company, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"<u>Personal Information</u>" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual, including (i) first initial or first name and last name; (ii) home address or other physical address, including street name and name of city or town; (iii) e-mail address or other online contact information (e.g., instant messaging user identifier); (iv) telephone number; (v) social security number or other government-issued personal identifier such as a tax identification number or driver's license number; (vi) internet protocol address; (vii) persistent identifier (e.g., a unique customer number in a cookie); (viii) financial account information (account number, credit or debit card numbers or banking information); (ix) date of birth; (x) mother's maiden name; (xi) medical information (including electronic protected health information as defined by the rules and regulations of the Health Information Portability and Privacy Act, as amended); (xii) digitized or electronic signature; and (xiii) any other information that is combined with any of the above. "<u>Personal Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(vii)**.

"<u>Petition Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>PLR</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Post-Closing Tax Period</u>" means any taxable period beginning after the Closing Date and the portion of any Straddle Period beginning after the Closing Date.

"<u>Pre-Closing Tax Period</u>" means any taxable period ending on or before the Closing Date and the portion of any Straddle Period ending on the Closing Date.

"<u>Preferred Stock</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4(b)**.

"<u>Privacy Policy</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any written privacy policy, statement, rule or notice regarding the collection, use, access, safeguarding and retention of Personal Information or "Personally Identifiable Information" (as defined by Section 101(41A) of the Bankruptcy Code) of any individual, including a customer, potential customer, employee or former employee of such Person, or an employee of any of such Person's automotive or parts dealers.

"<u>Product Liabilities</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.3(a)(ix)**.

"<u>Promark UK Subsidiaries</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.34.

"<u>Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b)**.

"<u>Purchase Price</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(a)**.

"<u>Purchased Assets</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a).

"<u>Purchased Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(x)**.

"<u>Purchased Subsidiaries</u>" means, collectively, the direct Subsidiaries of Sellers included in the Transferred Entities, and their respective direct and indirect Subsidiaries, in each case, as of the Closing Date.

"<u>Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plans</u>" means any (i) defined benefit or defined contribution retirement plan maintained by any Purchased Subsidiary and (ii) severance, change in control, bonus, incentive or any similar plan or arrangement maintained by a Purchased Subsidiary for the benefit of officers or senior management of such Purchased Subsidiary.

"<u>Purchaser</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Purchaser Assumed Debt</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.3(a)(i)**.

"<u>Purchaser Expense Reimbursement</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 8.2(b)**.

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"<u>Purchaser Material Adverse Effect</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.3(a).

"<u>Purchaser's Disclosure Schedule</u>" means the Schedule pertaining to, and corresponding to the Section references of this Agreement, delivered by Purchaser immediately prior to the execution of the Original Agreement.

"<u>Quitclaim Deeds</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(x)**.

"<u>Receivables</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(iii)**.

"<u>Rejectable Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b)**.

"<u>Release</u>" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, migrating, dumping, discarding, burying, abandoning or disposing into the Environment of Hazardous Materials that is prohibited under, or reasonably likely to result in a Liability under, any applicable Environmental Law.

"<u>Relevant Information</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(ii)**.

"<u>Relevant Transactions</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Ren Cen Lease</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.30.

"<u>Representatives</u>" means all officers, directors, employees, consultants, agents, lenders, accountants, attorneys and other representatives of a Person.

"<u>Required Subdivision</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(a)**.

"<u>Restricted Cash</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(ii)**.

"<u>Retained Liabilities</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.3(b)**.

"<u>Retained Plans</u>" means any Parent Employee Benefit Plan and Policy that is not an Assumed Plan.

"<u>Retained Subsidiaries</u>" means all Subsidiaries of Sellers and their respective direct and indirect Subsidiaries, as of the Closing Date, other than the Purchased Subsidiaries.

"<u>Retained Workers' Compensation Claims</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section** 2.3(b)(xii).

"<u>RHI</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.30.

"<u>RHI Post-Closing Period</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.30.

"<u>S Distribution</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>S LLC</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Saginaw Landfill</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(b)**.

"Saginaw Metal Casting Land" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"Saginaw Nodular Iron Land" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"Saginaw Service Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"<u>Sale Approval Order</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(b)**.

"<u>Sale Hearing</u>" means the hearing of the Bankruptcy Court to approve the Sale Procedures and Sale Motion and enter the Sale Approval Order.

"<u>Sale Procedures and Sale Motion</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(b)**.

"<u>Sale Procedures Order</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.4(b).

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"<u>Secured Real Property Encumbrances</u>" means all Encumbrances related to the Indebtedness of Sellers, which is secured by one or more parcels of the Owned Real Property, including Encumbrances related to the Indebtedness of Sellers under any synthetic lease arrangements at the White Marsh, Maryland GMPT - Baltimore manufacturing facility and the Memphis, Tennessee (SPO - Memphis) facility.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Seller" or "Sellers" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Seller Group</u>" means any combined, unitary, consolidated or other affiliated group of which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is or has been a member for federal, state, provincial, local or foreign Tax purposes.

"<u>Seller Key Personnel</u>" means those individuals described on Section 1.1E of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

"Seller Material Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.16(a).

"<u>Sellers' Disclosure Schedule</u>" means the Schedule pertaining to, and corresponding to the Section references of this Agreement, delivered by Sellers to Purchaser immediately prior to the execution of this Agreement, as updated and supplemented pursuant to **Section 6.5**, **Section 6.6** and **Section 6.26**.

"Series A Preferred Stock" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(b).

"<u>Settlement Agreement</u>" means the Settlement Agreement, dated February 21, 2008 (as amended, supplemented, replaced or otherwise altered from time to time), among Parent, the UAW and certain class representatives, on behalf of the class of plaintiffs in the class action of

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Int'l Union, UAW, et al. v. General Motors Corp., Civil Action No. 07-14074 (E.D. Mich. filed Sept. 9, 2007).

"<u>Shared Executory Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(d)**.

"<u>Software</u>" means all software of any type (including programs, applications, middleware, utilities, tools, drivers, firmware, microcode, scripts, batch files, JCL files, instruction sets and macros) and in any form (including source code, object code, executable code and user interface), databases and associated data and related documentation, in each case owned, acquired or licensed by any Seller.

"<u>Software Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any right to use, modify, reproduce, distribute or create derivative works of any Software.

"Sponsor" means the United States Department of the Treasury.

"Sponsor Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.22.

"<u>Sponsor Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(c).

"<u>Straddle Period</u>" means a taxable period that includes but does not end on the Closing Date.

"Subdivision Master Lease" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(a).

"Subdivision Properties" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(a).

"Subsidiary" or "Subsidiaries" means, with respect to any Person, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership or other legal entity (in each case, other than a joint venture if such Person is not empowered to control the day-to-day operations of such joint venture) of which such Person (either alone or through or together with any other Subsidiary) owns, directly or indirectly, more than fifty percent (50%) of the Equity Interests, the holder of which is entitled to vote for the election of the board of directors or other governing body of such corporation, limited liability company, partnership or other legal entity.

"<u>Superior Bid</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(d)**.

"<u>TARP</u>" means the Troubled Assets Relief Program established by Sponsor under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, Public Law No. 110-343, effective as of October 3, 2008, as amended by Section 7001 of Division B, Title VII of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law No. 111-5, effective as of February 17, 2009, as may be further amended and in effect from time to time and any guidance issued by a regulatory authority thereunder and other related Laws in effect currently or in the future in the United States.

"<u>Tax</u>" or "<u>Taxes</u>" means any federal, state, provincial, local, foreign and other income, alternative minimum, accumulated earnings, personal holding company, franchise, capital stock,

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net worth or gross receipts, income, alternative or add-on minimum, capital, capital gains, sales, use, ad valorem, franchise, profits, license, privilege, transfer, withholding, payroll, employment, social, excise, severance, stamp, occupation, premium, goods and services, value added, property (including real property and personal property taxes), environmental, windfall profits or other taxes, customs, duties or similar fees, assessments or charges of any kind whatsoever, together with any interest and any penalties, additions to tax or additional amounts imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any transferee, successor or secondary liability for any such tax and any Liability assumed by Contract or arising as a result of being or ceasing to be a member of any affiliated group or similar group under state, provincial, local or foreign Law, or being included or required to be included in any Tax Return relating thereto.

"<u>Tax Code</u>" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Taxing Authority</u>" means, with respect to any Tax, the Governmental Authority thereof that imposes such Tax and the agency, court or other Person or body (if any) charged with the interpretation, administration or collection of such Tax for such Governmental Authority.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" means any return, report, declaration, form, election letter, statement or other information filed or required to be filed with any Governmental Authority with respect to Taxes, including any schedule or attachment thereto or amendment thereof.

"<u>Trademark Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming any Seller as licensor or licensee and providing for the grant of any right concerning any Trademark together with any goodwill connected with and symbolized by any such Trademark or Trademark Contract, and the right to prepare for sale or lease and sell or lease any and all products, inventory or services now or hereafter owned or provided by any Seller or any other Person and now or hereafter covered by such Contracts.

"<u>Trademarks</u>" means all domestic and foreign trademarks, service marks, collective marks, certification marks, trade dress, trade names, business names, d/b/a's, Internet domain names, designs, logos and other source or business identifiers, and all general intangibles of like nature, now or hereafter owned, adopted, used, acquired, or licensed by any Seller, all applications, registrations and recordings thereof (including applications, registrations and recordings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any state thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof) and all reissues, extensions or renewals thereof, together with all goodwill of the business symbolized by or associated with such marks.

"<u>Trade Secrets</u>" means all trade secrets or Confidential Information, including any confidential technical and business information, program, process, method, plan, formula, product design, compilation of information, customer list, sales forecast, know-how, Software, and any other confidential proprietary intellectual property, and all additions and improvements to, and books and records describing or used in connection with, any of the foregoing, in each case, owned, acquired or licensed by any Seller.

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"<u>Trade Secret Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any rights with respect to Trade Secrets.

"<u>Transfer Taxes</u>" means all transfer, documentary, sales, use, stamp, registration and other similar Taxes and fees (including any penalties and interest) incurred in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby and not otherwise exempted under the Bankruptcy Code, including relating to the transfer of the Transferred Real Property.

"<u>Transfer Tax Forms</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(xi)**.

"<u>Transferred Employee</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.17(a)**.

"<u>Transferred Entities</u>" means all of the direct Subsidiaries of Sellers and joint venture entities or other entities in which any Seller has an Equity Interest, other than the Excluded Entities.

"<u>Transferred Equity Interests</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(v)**.

"<u>Transferred Real Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(vi).

"<u>Transition Services Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(ix).

"Transition Team" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(c).

"<u>UAW</u>" means the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America.

"<u>UAW Active Labor Modifications</u>" means the modifications to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, as agreed to in the 2009 Addendum to the 2007 UAW-GM National Agreement, dated May 17, 2009, the cover page of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u> (the 2009 Addendum without attachments), which modifications were ratified by the UAW membership on May 29, 2009.

"UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement" means any written or oral Contract, understanding or mutually recognized past practice between Sellers and the UAW with respect to Employees, including the UAW Active Labor Modifications, but excluding the agreement to provide certain retiree medical benefits specified in the Memorandum of Understanding Post-Retirement Medical Care, dated September 26, 2007, between Parent and the UAW, and the For purpose of clarity, the term "UAW Collective Bargaining Settlement Agreement. Agreement" includes all special attrition programs, divestiture-related memorandums of understanding or implementation agreements relating to any unit or location where covered UAW-represented employees remain and any current local agreement between Parent and a UAW local relating to any unit or location where UAW-represented employees are employed as of the date of the Original Agreement. For purposes of clarity, nothing in this definition extends the coverage of the UAW-GM National Agreement to any Employee of S LLC, S Distribution, Harlem, a Purchased Subsidiary or one of Parent's Affiliates; nothing in this Agreement creates a direct employment relationship with a Purchased Subsidiary's employee or an Affiliate's Employee and Parent.

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"<u>UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement</u>" means the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement to be executed prior to the Closing, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u>.

"<u>Union</u>" means any labor union, organization or association representing any employees (but not including the UAW) with respect to their employment with any of Sellers or their Affiliates.

"<u>United States</u>" or "<u>U.S.</u>" means the United States of America, including its territories and insular possessions.

"<u>UST Credit Bid Amount</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(a)(i)**.

"<u>UST Credit Facilities</u>" means (i) the Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement and (ii) those certain promissory notes dated December 31, 2008, April 22, 2009, May 20, 2009, and May 27, 2009, issued by Parent to Sponsor as additional compensation for the extensions of credit under the Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement, in each case, as amended.

"<u>UST Warrant</u>" means the warrant issued by Parent to Sponsor in consideration for the extension of credit made available to Parent under the Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement.

"<u>VEBA Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4(c)**.

"<u>VEBA Note</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.3**(g)(iv).

"<u>VEBA Warrant</u>" means warrants to acquire 15,151,515 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to a warrant agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit E</u>.

"<u>Viability Plans</u>" means (i) Parent's Restructuring Plan for Long-Term Viability, dated December 2, 2008; (ii) Parent's 2009-2014 Restructuring Plan, dated February 17, 2009; (iii) Parent's 2009-2014 Restructuring Plan: Progress Report, dated March 30, 2009; and (iv) Parent's Revised Viability Plan, all as described in Parent's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No 333-158802), initially filed with the SEC on April 27, 2009, in each case, as amended, supplemented and/or superseded.

"<u>WARN</u>" means the Workers Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, and similar foreign, state and local Laws.

"<u>Willow Run Landlord</u>" means the Wayne County Airport Authority, or any successor landlord under the Willow Run Lease.

"<u>Willow Run Lease</u>" means that certain Willow Run Airport Lease of Land dated October 11, 1985, as the same may be amended, by and between the Willow Run Landlord, as landlord, and Parent, as tenant, for certain premises located at the Willow Run Airport in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan.

"<u>Willow Run Lease Amendment</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(e).

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## "<u>Wind Down Facility</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.9(b)**.

Other Interpretive Provisions. The words "hereof", "herein" and Section 1.2 "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement refer to this Agreement as a whole (including the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule) and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and all Article, Section, Sections of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and Exhibit references are to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. The words "include", "includes" and "including" are deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation." The meanings given to terms defined herein are equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of such terms. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun includes the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all references to "Dollars" or "\$" are deemed references to lawful money of the United States. Unless otherwise specified, references to any statute, listing rule, rule, standard, regulation or other Law (a) include a reference to the corresponding rules and regulations and (b) include a reference to each of them as amended, modified, supplemented, consolidated, replaced or rewritten from time to time, and to any section of any statute, listing rule, rule, standard, regulation or other Law, including any successor to such section. Where this Agreement states that a Party "shall" or "will" perform in some manner or otherwise act or omit to act, it means that the Party is legally obligated to do so in accordance with this Agreement.

## ARTICLE II PURCHASE AND SALE

Section 2.1 Purchase and Sale of Assets; Assumption of Liabilities. On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, other than as set forth in Section 6.30, Section 6.34 and Section 6.35, at the Closing, Purchaser shall (a) purchase, accept and acquire from Sellers, and Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances), Claims and other interests, the Purchased Assets and (b) assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, all of the Assumed Liabilities.

## Section 2.2 Purchased and Excluded Assets.

(a) The "<u>Purchased Assets</u>" shall consist of the right, title and interest that Sellers possess and have the right to legally transfer in and to all of the properties, assets, rights, titles and interests of every kind and nature, owned, leased, used or held for use by Sellers (including indirect and other forms of beneficial ownership), whether tangible or intangible, real, personal or mixed, and wherever located and by whomever possessed, in each case, as the same may exist as of the Closing, including the following properties, assets, rights, titles and interests (but, in every case, excluding the Excluded Assets):

(i) all cash and cash equivalents, including all marketable securities, certificates of deposit and all collected funds or items in the process of collection at Sellers' financial institutions through and including the Closing, and all bank deposits, investment accounts and lockboxes related thereto, other than the Excluded Cash and Restricted Cash;

(ii) all restricted or escrowed cash and cash equivalents, including restricted marketable securities and certificates of deposit (collectively, "<u>Restricted Cash</u>") other than the Restricted Cash described in **Section 2.2(b)(ii)**;

(iii) all accounts and notes receivable and other such Claims for money due to Sellers, including the full benefit of all security for such accounts, notes and Claims, however arising, including arising from the rendering of services or the sale of goods or materials, together with any unpaid interest accrued thereon from the respective obligors and any security or collateral therefor, other than intercompany receivables (collectively, "<u>Receivables</u>");

(iv) all intercompany obligations ("<u>Intercompany Obligations</u>") owed or due, directly or indirectly, to Sellers by any Subsidiary of a Seller or joint venture or other entity in which a Seller or a Subsidiary of a Seller has any Equity Interest;

(v) (A) subject to **Section 2.4**, all Equity Interests in the Transferred Entities (collectively, the "<u>Transferred Equity Interests</u>") and (B) the corporate charter, qualification to conduct business as a foreign corporation, arrangements with registered agents relating to foreign qualifications, taxpayer and other identification numbers, corporate seal, minute books, stock transfer books, blank stock certificates and any other documents relating to the organization, maintenance and existence of each Transferred Entity;

(vi) all Owned Real Property and Leased Real Property (collectively, the "<u>Transferred Real Property</u>");

(vii) all machinery, equipment (including test equipment and material handling equipment), hardware, spare parts, tools, dies, jigs, molds, patterns, gauges, fixtures (including production fixtures), business machines, computer hardware, other information technology assets, furniture, supplies, vehicles, spare parts in respect of any of the foregoing and other tangible personal property (including any of the foregoing in the possession of manufacturers, suppliers, customers, dealers or others and any of the foregoing in transit) that does not constitute Inventory (collectively, "<u>Personal Property</u>"), including the Personal Property located at the Excluded Real Property and identified on Section 2.2(a)(vii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule;

(viii) all inventories of vehicles, raw materials, work-in-process, finished goods, supplies, stock, parts, packaging materials and other accessories related thereto (collectively, "<u>Inventory</u>"), wherever located, including any of the foregoing in the possession of manufacturers, suppliers, customers, dealers or others and any of the foregoing in transit or that is classified as returned goods;

(ix) (A) all Intellectual Property, whether owned, licensed or otherwise held, and whether or not registrable (including any Trademarks and other Intellectual Property associated with the Discontinued Brands), and (B) all rights and benefits associated with the foregoing, including all rights to sue or recover for past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, dilution, unauthorized use or other impairment or violation of any of the foregoing, and all income, royalties, damages and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect to any of the foregoing;

(x) subject to **Section 2.4**, all Contracts, other than the Excluded Contracts (collectively, the "<u>Purchased Contracts</u>"), including, for the avoidance of doubt, (A) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and (B) any Executory Contract designated as an Assumable Executory Contract as of the applicable Assumption Effective Date;

(xi) subject to **Section 2.4**, all approvals, Contracts, authorizations, permits, licenses, easements, Orders, certificates, registrations, franchises, qualifications, rulings, waivers, variances or other forms of permission, consent, exemption or authority issued, granted, given or otherwise made available by or under the authority of any Governmental Authority, including all pending applications therefor and all renewals and extensions thereof (collectively, "<u>Permits</u>"), other than to the extent that any of the foregoing relate exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xii) all credits, deferred charges, prepaid expenses, deposits, advances, warranties, rights, guarantees, surety bonds, letters of credit, trust arrangements and other similar financial arrangements, in each case, relating to the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including all warranties, rights and guarantees (whether express or implied) made by suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and other third parties under or in connection with the Purchased Contracts;

(xiii) all Claims (including Tax refunds) relating to the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including the Claims identified on Section 2.2(a)(xiii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and all Claims against any Taxing Authority for any period, other than Bankruptcy Avoidance Actions and any of the foregoing to the extent that they relate exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xiv) all books, records, ledgers, files, documents, correspondence, lists, plats, specifications, surveys, drawings, advertising and promotional materials, reports and other materials (in whatever form or medium), including Tax books and records and Tax Returns used or held for use in connection with the ownership or operation of the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including the Purchased Contracts, customer lists, customer information and account records, computer files, data processing records, employment and personnel records, advertising and marketing data and records, credit records, records relating to suppliers, legal records and information and other data;

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(xv) all goodwill and other intangible personal property arising in connection with the ownership, license, use or operation of the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities;

(xvi) to the extent provided in **Section 6.17(e)**, all Assumed Plans;

(xvii) all insurance policies and the rights to the proceeds thereof, other than the Excluded Insurance Policies;

(xviii) any rights of any Seller, Subsidiary of any Seller or Seller Group member to any Tax refunds, credits or abatements that relate to any Pre-Closing Tax Period or Straddle Period; and

(xix) any interest in Excluded Insurance Policies, only to the extent such interest relates to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Sellers shall retain all of their respective right, title and interest in and to, and shall not, and shall not be deemed to, sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver to Purchaser, and the Purchased Assets shall not, and shall not be deemed to, include the following (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Assets</u>"):

(i) cash or cash equivalents in an amount equal to \$950,000,000 (the "Excluded Cash");

(ii) all Restricted Cash exclusively relating to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(iii) all Receivables (other than Intercompany Obligations) exclusively related to any Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(iv) all of Sellers' Equity Interests in (A) S LLC, (B) S Distribution, (C) Harlem and (D) the Subsidiaries, joint ventures and the other entities in which any Seller has any Equity Interest and that are identified on Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Entities</u>");

(v) (A) all owned real property set forth on **Exhibit F** and such additional owned real property set forth on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (including, in each case, any structures, buildings or other improvements located thereon and appurtenances thereto) and (B) all real property leased or subleased that is subject to a Contract designated as an "Excluded Contract" (collectively, the "Excluded Real Property");

(vi) all Personal Property that is (A) located at the Transferred Real Property and identified on Section 2.2(b)(vi) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule,
(B) located at the Excluded Real Property, except for those items identified on Section 2.2(a)(vii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or (C) subject to a Contract

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designated as an Excluded Contract (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Personal</u> <u>Property</u>");

(vii) (A) all Contracts identified on Section 2.2(b)(vii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule immediately prior to the Closing, (B) all pre-petition Executory Contracts designated as Rejectable Executory Contracts, (C) all prepetition Executory Contracts (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Delphi Transaction Agreements and GM Assumed Contracts) that have not been designated as or deemed to be Assumable Executory Contracts in accordance with Section 6.6 or Section 6.31, or that are determined, pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order, not to be assumable and assignable to Purchaser, (D) all Collective Bargaining Agreements not set forth on the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule and (E) all non-Executory Contracts for which performance by a third-party or counterparty is substantially complete and for which a Seller owes a continuing or future obligation with respect to such non-Executory Contracts (collectively, the "Excluded Contracts"), including any accounts receivable arising out of or in connection with any Excluded Contract; it being understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in no event shall the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement be designated or otherwise deemed or considered an Excluded Contract;

(viii) all books, records, ledgers, files, documents, correspondence, lists, plats, specifications, surveys, drawings, advertising and promotional materials, reports and other materials (in whatever form or medium) relating exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities, and any books, records and other materials that any Seller is required by Law to retain;

(ix) the corporate charter, qualification to conduct business as a foreign corporation, arrangements with registered agents relating to foreign qualifications, taxpayer and other identification numbers, corporate seal, minute books, stock transfer books, blank stock certificates and any other documents relating to the organization, maintenance and existence of each Seller and each Excluded Entity;

(x) all Claims against suppliers, dealers and any other third parties relating exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xi) all of Sellers' Claims under this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and the Bankruptcy Code, of whatever kind or nature, as set forth in Sections 544 through 551 (inclusive), 553, 558 and any other applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, and any related Claims and actions arising under such sections by operation of Law or otherwise, including any and all proceeds of the foregoing (the "<u>Bankruptcy Avoidance Actions</u>"), but in all cases, excluding all rights and Claims identified on Section 2.2(b)(xi) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule;

(xii) all credits, deferred charges, prepaid expenses, deposits and advances, warranties, rights, guarantees, surety bonds, letters of credit, trust arrangements and other similar financial arrangements, in each case, relating exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xiii) all insurance policies identified on Section 2.2(b)(xiii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and the rights to proceeds thereof (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Insurance Policies</u>"), other than any rights to proceeds to the extent such proceeds relate to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability;

(xiv) all Permits, to the extent that they relate exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xv) all Retained Plans; and

(xvi) those assets identified on Section 2.2(b)(xvi) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

Section 2.3 Assumed and Retained Liabilities.

(a) The "<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>" shall consist only of the following Liabilities of Sellers:

(i) \$7,072,488,605 of Indebtedness incurred under the DIP Facility, to be restructured pursuant to the terms of **Section 6.9** (the "<u>Purchaser Assumed Debt</u>");

(ii) all Liabilities under each Purchased Contract;

(iii) all Intercompany Obligations owed or due, directly or indirectly, by Sellers to (A) any Purchased Subsidiary or (B) any joint venture or other entity in which a Seller or a Purchased Subsidiary has any Equity Interest (other than an Excluded Entity);

(iv) all Cure Amounts under each Assumable Executory Contract that becomes a Purchased Contract;

(v) all Liabilities of Sellers (A) arising in the Ordinary Course of Business during the Bankruptcy Case through and including the Closing Date, to the extent such Liabilities are administrative expenses of Sellers' estates pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and (B) arising prior to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases to the extent approved by the Bankruptcy Court for payment by Sellers pursuant to a Final Order (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers' Liabilities in clauses (A) and (B) above include Sellers' Liabilities for personal property Taxes, real estate and/or other ad valorem Taxes, use Taxes, sales Taxes, franchise Taxes, income Taxes, gross receipt Taxes, excise Taxes, Michigan Business Taxes and Michigan Single Business Taxes), in each case, other than (1) Liabilities of the type described in Section 2.3(b)(iv), Section 2.3(b)(vi) and Section 2.3(b)(ix), (2) Liabilities arising under any dealer sales and service Contract and any Contract related thereto, to the extent such Contract has been designated as a Rejectable Executory Contract, and (3) Liabilities otherwise assumed in this Section 2.3(a);

(vi) all Transfer Taxes payable in connection with the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the Purchased Assets pursuant to the terms of this Agreement;

(vii) (A) all Liabilities arising under express written warranties of Sellers that are specifically identified as warranties and delivered in connection with the sale of new, certified used or pre-owned vehicles or new or remanufactured motor vehicle parts and equipment (including service parts, accessories, engines and transmissions) manufactured or sold by Sellers or Purchaser prior to or after the Closing and (B) all obligations under Lemon Laws;

(viii) all Liabilities arising under any Environmental Law (A) relating to conditions present on the Transferred Real Property, other than those Liabilities described in **Section 2.3(b)(iv)**, (B) resulting from Purchaser's ownership or operation of the Transferred Real Property after the Closing or (C) relating to Purchaser's failure to comply with Environmental Laws after the Closing;

(ix) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, or other injury to Persons or damage to property caused by motor vehicles designed for operation on public roadways or by the component parts of such motor vehicles and, in each case, manufactured, sold or delivered by Sellers (collectively, "<u>Product Liabilities</u>"), which arise directly out of accidents, incidents or other distinct and discreet occurrences that happen on or after the Closing Date and arise from such motor vehicles' operation or performance (for avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume, or become liable to pay, perform or discharge, any Liability arising or contended to arise by reason of exposure to materials utilized in the assembly or fabrication of motor vehicles manufactured by Sellers and delivered prior to the Closing Date, including asbestos, silicates or fluids, regardless of when such alleged exposure occurs);

(x) all Liabilities of Sellers arising out of, relating to, in respect of, or in connection with workers' compensation claims against any Seller, except for Retained Workers' Compensation Claims;

(xi) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of, or in connection with the use, ownership or sale of the Purchased Assets after the Closing;

(xii) all Liabilities (A) specifically assumed by Purchaser pursuant to **Section 6.17** and (B) arising out of, relating to or in connection with the salaries and/or wages and vacation of all Transferred Employees that are accrued and unpaid (or with respect to vacation, unused) as of the Closing Date;

(xiii) (A) all Employment-Related Obligations and (B) Liabilities under any Assumed Plan, in each case, relating to any Employee that is or was covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, except for Retained Workers Compensation Claims;

(xiv) all Liabilities of Sellers underlying any construction liens that constitute Permitted Encumbrances with respect to Transferred Real Property; and

(xv) those other Liabilities identified on Section 2.3(a)(xv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

(b) Each Seller acknowledges and agrees that pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Agreement, Purchaser shall not assume, or become liable to pay, perform or discharge, any Liability of any Seller, whether occurring or accruing before, at or after the Closing, other than the Assumed Liabilities. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, and in all cases with the exception of the Assumed Liabilities, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates shall assume, or be deemed to have assumed, any Indebtedness, Claim or other Liability of any Seller or any predecessor, Subsidiary or Affiliate of any Seller whatsoever, whether occurring or accruing before, at or after the Closing, including the following (collectively, the "<u>Retained Liabilities</u>"):

(i) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Indebtedness of Sellers (other than Intercompany Obligations and the Purchaser Assumed Debt), including those items identified on Section 2.3(b)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule;

(ii) all Intercompany Obligations owed or due, directly or indirectly, by Sellers to (A) another Seller, (B) any Excluded Subsidiary or (C) any joint venture or other entity in which a Seller or an Excluded Subsidiary has an Equity Interest (other than a Transferred Entity);

(iii) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the Excluded Assets, other than Liabilities otherwise retained in this **Section 2.3(b)**;

(iv) all Liabilities (A) associated with noncompliance with Environmental Laws (including for fines, penalties, damages and remedies); (B) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the transportation, off-site storage or off-site disposal of any Hazardous Materials generated or located at any Transferred Real Property; (C) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with third-party Claims related to Hazardous Materials that were or are located at or that migrated or may migrate from any Transferred Real Property, except as otherwise required under applicable Environmental Laws; (D) arising under Environmental Laws related to the Excluded Real Property; or (E) for environmental Liabilities with respect to real property formerly owned, operated or leased by Sellers (as of the Closing), which, in the case of clauses (A),

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(B) and (C), arose prior to or at the Closing, and which, in the case of clause (D) and (E), arise prior to, at or after the Closing;

(v) except for Taxes assumed in Section 2.3(a)(v) and Section 2.3(a)(v), all Liabilities with respect to any (A) Taxes arising in connection with Sellers' business, the Purchased Assets or the Assumed Liabilities and that are attributable to a Pre-Closing Tax Period (including any Taxes incurred in connection with the sale of the Purchased Assets, other than all Transfer Taxes), (B) other Taxes of any Seller and (C) Taxes of any Seller Group, including any Liability of any Seller or any Seller Group member for Taxes arising as a result of being or ceasing to be a member of any Seller Group (it being understood, for the avoidance of doubt, that no provision of this Agreement shall cause Sellers to be liable for Taxes of any Purchased Subsidiary for which Sellers would not be liable absent this Agreement);

(vi) all Liabilities for (A) costs and expenses relating to the preparation, negotiation and entry into this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements (and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall not include any Transfer Taxes), including Advisory Fees, (B) administrative fees, professional fees and all other expenses under the Bankruptcy Code and (C) all other fees and expenses associated with the administration of the Bankruptcy Cases;

(vii) all Employment-Related Obligations not otherwise assumed in Section 2.3(a) and Section 6.17, including those arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the employment, potential employment or termination of employment of any individual (other than any Employee that is or was covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement) (A) prior to or at the Closing (including any severance policy, plan or program that exists or arises, or may be deemed to exist or arise, as a result of, or in connection with, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement) or (B) who is not a Transferred Employee arising after the Closing and with respect to both clauses (A) and (B) above, including any Liability arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Collective Bargaining Agreement (other than the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement);

(viii) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with Claims for infringement or misappropriation of third party intellectual property rights;

(ix) all Product Liabilities arising in whole or in part from any accidents, incidents or other occurrences that happen prior to the Closing Date;

(x) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, other injury to Persons or damage to property, in each case, arising out of asbestos exposure;

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(xi) all Liabilities to third parties for Claims based upon Contract, tort or any other basis;

(xii) all workers' compensation Claims with respect to Employees residing in or employed in, as the case may be as defined by applicable Law, the states set forth on <u>Exhibit G</u> (collectively, "<u>Retained Workers' Compensation</u> <u>Claims</u>");

(xiii) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Retained Plan;

(xiv) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Assumed Plan or Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plan, but only to the extent such Liabilities result from the failure of such Assumed Plan or Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plan to comply in all respects with TARP or such Liability related to any changes to or from the administration of such Assumed Plan or Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plan prior to the Closing Date;

(xv) the Settlement Agreement, except as provided with respect to Liabilities under Section 5A of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement; and

(xvi) all Liabilities arising out of, related to or in connection with any (A) implied warranty or other implied obligation arising under statutory or common law without the necessity of an express warranty or (B) allegation, statement or writing by or attributable to Sellers.

#### Section 2.4 Non-Assignability.

(a) If any Contract, Transferred Equity Interest (or any interest therein), Permit or other asset, which by the terms of this Agreement, is intended to be included in the Purchased Assets is determined not capable of being assigned or transferred (whether pursuant to Sections 363 or 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) to Purchaser at the Closing without the consent of another party thereto, the issuer thereof or any third party (including a Governmental Authority) ("<u>Non-Assignable Assets</u>"), this Agreement shall not constitute an assignment thereof, or an attempted assignment thereof, unless and until any such consent is obtained. Subject to **Section 6.3**, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts, and Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to cooperate with Sellers, to obtain the consents necessary to assign to Purchaser the Non-Assignable Assets before, at or after the Closing; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that neither Sellers nor Purchaser shall be required to make any expenditure, incur any Liability, agree to any modification to any Contract or forego or alter any rights in connection with such efforts.

(b) To the extent that the consents referred to in **Section 2.4(a)** are not obtained by Sellers, except as otherwise provided in the Ancillary Documents to which one or more Sellers is a party, Sellers' sole responsibility with respect to such Non-Assignable Assets shall be to use reasonable best efforts, at no cost to Sellers, to (i) provide to Purchaser the benefits of any Non-Assignable Assets; (ii) cooperate in any

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reasonable and lawful arrangement designed to provide the benefits of any Non-Assignable Assets to Purchaser without incurring any financial obligation to Purchaser; and (iii) enforce for the account of Purchaser and at the cost of Purchaser any rights of Sellers arising from any Non-Assignable Asset against such party or parties thereto; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that any such efforts described in clauses (i) through (iii) above shall be made only with the consent, and at the direction, of Purchaser. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, with respect to any Non-Assignable Asset that is a Contract of Leased Real Property for which a consent is not obtained on or prior to the Closing Date, Purchaser shall enter into a sublease containing the same terms and conditions as such lease (unless such lease by its terms prohibits such subleasing arrangement), and entry into and compliance with such sublease shall satisfy the obligations of the Parties under this **Section 2.4(b)** until such consent is obtained.

If Purchaser is provided the benefits of any Non-Assignable Asset (c) pursuant to Section 2.4(b), Purchaser shall perform, on behalf of the applicable Seller, for the benefit of the issuer thereof or the other party or parties thereto, the obligations (including payment obligations) of the applicable Seller thereunder or in connection therewith arising from and after the Closing Date and if Purchaser fails to perform to the extent required herein, Sellers, without waiving any rights or remedies that they may have under this Agreement or applicable Laws, may (i) suspend their performance under Section 2.4(b) in respect of the Non-Assignable Asset that is the subject of such failure to perform unless and until such situation is remedied, or (ii) perform at Purchaser's sole cost and expense, in which case, Purchaser shall reimburse Sellers' costs and expenses of such performance immediately upon receipt of an invoice therefor. To the extent that Purchaser is provided the benefits of any Non-Assignable Asset pursuant to Section 2.4(b), Purchaser shall indemnify, defend and hold Sellers harmless from and against any and all Liabilities relating to such Non-Assignable Asset and arising from and after the Closing Date (other than such Damages that have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Sellers).

(d) For the avoidance of doubt, the inability of any Contract, Transferred Equity Interest (or any other interest therein), Permit or other asset, which by the terms of this Agreement is intended to be included in the Purchased Assets to be assigned or transferred to Purchaser at the Closing shall not (i) give rise to a basis for termination of this Agreement pursuant to **ARTICLE VIII** or (ii) give rise to any right to any adjustment to the Purchase Price.

## ARTICLE III CLOSING; PURCHASE PRICE

Section 3.1 Closing. The closing of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall occur on the date that falls at least three (3) Business Days following the satisfaction and/or waiver of all conditions to the Closing set forth in **ARTICLE VII** (other than any of such conditions that by its nature is to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions), or on such other date as the Parties mutually agree, at the offices of Jenner & Block LLP, 919 Third Avenue, New York City, New York 10022-3908, or at such other place or such other date as the Parties may agree in

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writing. The date on which the Closing actually occurs shall be referred to as the "<u>Closing</u> <u>Date</u>," and except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Closing shall for all purposes be deemed effective as of 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the Closing Date.

Section 3.2 Purchase Price.

(a) The purchase price (the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") shall be equal to the sum of:

(i) a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid in an amount equal to: (A) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing pursuant to the UST Credit Facilities, and (B) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing under the DIP Facility, <u>less</u> \$8,022,488,605 of Indebtedness under the DIP Facility (such amount, the "<u>UST</u> <u>Credit Bid Amount</u>");

(ii) the UST Warrant (which the Parties agree has a value of no less than \$1,000);

(iii) the valid issuance by Purchaser to Parent of (A) 50,000,000 shares of Common Stock (collectively, the "<u>Parent Shares</u>") and (B) the Parent Warrants; and

(iv) the assumption by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries of the Assumed Liabilities.

(b) On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, at the Closing, Purchaser shall (i) offset, pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, the UST Credit Bid Amount against Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries owed to Purchaser as of the Closing under the UST Credit Facilities and the DIP Facility; (ii) transfer to Parent, in accordance with the instructions provided by Parent to Purchaser prior to the Closing, the UST Warrant; and (iii) issue to Parent, in accordance with the instructions provided by Parent Shares and the Parent Warrants.

(c)

(i) Sellers may, at any time, seek an Order of the Bankruptcy Court (the "<u>Claims Estimate Order</u>"), which Order may be the Order confirming Sellers' Chapter 11 plan, estimating the aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates. If in the Claims Estimate Order, the Bankruptcy Court makes a finding that the estimated aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates exceed \$35,000,000,000, then Purchaser will, within five (5) days of entry of the Claims Estimate Order, issue 10,000,000 additional shares of Common Stock (the "<u>Adjustment Shares</u>") to Parent, as an adjustment to the Purchase Price.

(ii) The number of Adjustment Shares shall be adjusted to take into account any stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization,

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merger, consolidation, reorganization or similar transaction with respect to the Common Stock, effected from and after the Closing and before issuance of the Adjustment Shares.

(iii) At the Closing, Purchaser shall have authorized and, thereafter, shall reserve for issuance the Adjustment Shares that may be issued hereunder.

Allocation. Following the Closing, Purchaser shall prepare and Section 3.3 deliver to Sellers an allocation of the aggregate consideration among Sellers and, for any transactions contemplated by this Agreement that do not constitute an Agreed G Transaction pursuant to Section 6.16, Purchaser shall also prepare and deliver to the applicable Seller a proposed allocation of the Purchase Price and other consideration paid in exchange for the Purchased Assets, prepared in accordance with Section 1060, and if applicable, Section 338, of the Tax Code (the "Allocation"). The applicable Seller shall have thirty (30) days after the delivery of the Allocation to review and consent to the Allocation in writing, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. If the applicable Seller consents to the Allocation, such Seller and Purchaser shall use such Allocation to prepare and file in a timely manner all appropriate Tax filings, including the preparation and filing of all applicable forms in accordance with applicable Law, including Forms 8594 and 8023, if applicable, with their respective Tax Returns for the taxable year that includes the Closing Date and shall take no position in any Tax Return that is inconsistent with such Allocation; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall prevent the applicable Seller and Purchaser from settling any proposed deficiency or adjustment by any Governmental Authority based upon or arising out of such Allocation, and neither the applicable Seller nor Purchaser shall be required to litigate before any court, any proposed deficiency or adjustment by any Taxing Authority challenging such Allocation. If the applicable Seller does not consent to such Allocation, the applicable Seller shall notify Purchaser in writing of such disagreement within such thirty (30) day period, and thereafter, the applicable Seller shall attempt in good faith to promptly resolve any such disagreement. If the Parties cannot resolve a disagreement under this Section 3.3, such disagreement shall be resolved by an independent accounting firm chosen by Purchaser and reasonably acceptable to the applicable Seller, and such resolution shall be final and binding on the Parties. The fees and expenses of such accounting firm shall be borne equally by Purchaser, on the one hand, and the applicable Seller, on the other hand. The applicable Seller shall provide Purchaser, and Purchaser shall provide the applicable Seller, with a copy of any information described above required to be furnished to any Taxing Authority in connection with the transactions contemplated herein.

## Section 3.4 Prorations.

(a) The following prorations relating to the Purchased Assets shall be made:

(i) Except as provided in Section 2.3(a)(v) and Section 2.3(a)(vi), in the case of Taxes with respect to a Straddle Period, for purposes of Retained Liabilities, the portion of any such Tax that is allocable to Sellers with respect to any Purchased Asset shall be:

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(A) in the case of Taxes that are either (1) based upon or related to income or receipts, or (2) imposed in connection with any sale or other transfer or assignment of property (real or personal, tangible or intangible), other than Transfer Taxes, equal to the amount that would be payable if the taxable period ended on the Closing Date; and

(B) in the case of Taxes imposed on a periodic basis, or otherwise measured by the level of any item, deemed to be the amount of such Taxes for the entire Straddle Period (after giving effect to amounts which may be deducted from or offset against such Taxes) (or, in the case of such Taxes determined on an arrears basis, the amount of such Taxes for the immediately preceding period), multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days in the period ending on the Closing Date and the denominator of which is the number of days in the entire Straddle Period.

In the case of any Tax based upon or measured by capital (including net worth or long-term debt) or intangibles, any amount thereof required to be allocated under this clause (i) shall be computed by reference to the level of such items on the Closing Date. All determinations necessary to effect the foregoing allocations shall be made in a manner consistent with prior practice of the applicable Seller, Seller Group member, or Seller Subsidiary.

(ii) All charges for water, wastewater treatment, sewers, electricity, fuel, gas, telephone, garbage and other utilities relating to the Transferred Real Property shall be prorated as of the Closing Date, with Sellers being liable to the extent such items relate to the Pre-Closing Tax Period, and Purchaser being liable to the extent such items relate to the Post-Closing Tax Period.

(b) If any of the foregoing proration amounts cannot be determined as of the Closing Date due to final invoices not being issued as of the Closing Date, Purchasers and Sellers shall prorate such items as and when the actual invoices are issued to the appropriate Party. The Party owing amounts to the other by means of such prorations shall pay the same within thirty (30) days after delivery of a written request by the paying Party.

# Section 3.5 Post-Closing True-up of Certain Accounts.

(a) Sellers shall promptly reimburse Purchaser in U.S. Dollars for the aggregate amount of all checks, drafts and similar instruments of disbursement, including wire and similar transfers of funds, written or initiated by Sellers prior to the Closing in respect of any obligations that would have constituted Retained Liabilities at the Closing, and that clear or settle in accounts maintained by Purchaser (or its Affiliates) at or following the Closing.

(b) Purchaser shall promptly reimburse Sellers in U.S. Dollars for the aggregate amount of all checks, drafts and similar instruments of disbursement, including

wire and similar transfers of funds, written or initiated by Sellers following the Closing in respect of any obligations that would have constituted Assumed Liabilities at the Closing, and that clear or settle in accounts maintained by Sellers (or their Affiliates) at or following the Closing.

# ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as disclosed in the Parent SEC Documents or in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, each Seller represents and warrants severally, and not jointly, to Purchaser as follows:

Section 4.1 Organization and Good Standing. Each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary is duly organized and validly existing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of organization. Subject to the limitations imposed on Sellers as a result of having filed the Bankruptcy Cases, each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary has all requisite corporate, limited liability company, partnership or similar power, as the case may be, and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and assets and to carry on its business as now being conducted. Each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary is duly qualified or licensed or admitted to do business, and is in good standing in (where such concept is recognized under applicable Law), the jurisdictions in which the ownership of its property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification or license, in each case, except where the failure to be so qualified, licensed or in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Sellers have made available to Purchaser prior to the execution of this Agreement true and complete copies of Sellers' Organizational Documents, in each case, as in effect on the date of this Agreement.

Section 4.2 Authorization; Enforceability. Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, each Seller has the requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as the case may be, to (a) execute and deliver this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party; (b) perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; and (c) consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party. Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, this Agreement constitutes, and each Ancillary Agreement, when duly executed and delivered by each Seller that is a party thereto, shall constitute, a valid and legally binding obligation of such Seller (assuming that this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements constitute valid and legally binding obligations of Purchaser), enforceable against such Seller in accordance with its respective terms and conditions, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

# Section 4.3 Noncontravention; Consents.

(a) Subject, in the case of clauses (i), (iii) and (iv), to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, the execution, delivery and performance by each Seller of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party, and (subject to the entry of the Sale Approval Order) the consummation by such Seller of the

transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, do not (i) violate any Law to which the Purchased Assets are subject; (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of any provision of the Organizational Documents of such Seller; (iii) result in a material breach or constitute a material default under, or create in any Person the right to terminate, cancel or accelerate any material obligation of such Seller pursuant to any material Purchased Contract (including any material License); or (iv) result in the creation or imposition of any Encumbrance, other than a Permitted Encumbrance, upon the Purchased Assets, except for any of the foregoing in the case of clauses (i), (iii) and (iv), that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, no consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit, qualification or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Person or Governmental Authority (other than the Bankruptcy Court) is required by any Seller for the consummation by each Seller of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or by the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party or the compliance by such Seller with any of the provisions hereof or thereof, except for (i) compliance with the applicable requirements of any Antitrust Laws and (ii) such consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit, qualification or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Person or Governmental Authority, the failure of which to be received or made would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.4 Subsidiaries. Section 4.4 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule identifies each Purchased Subsidiary and the jurisdiction of organization thereof. There are no Equity Interests in any Purchased Subsidiary issued, reserved for issuance or outstanding. All of the outstanding shares of capital stock, if applicable, of each Purchased Subsidiary have been duly authorized, validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable and are owned, directly or indirectly, by Sellers, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances. Sellers, directly or indirectly, have good and valid title to the outstanding Equity Interests of the Purchased Subsidiaries and, upon delivery by Sellers to Purchaser of the outstanding Equity Interests of the Purchased Subsidiaries (either directly or indirectly) at the Closing, good and valid title to the outstanding Equity Interests of the Purchased Subsidiaries will pass to Purchaser (or, with respect to any Purchased Subsidiary that is not a direct Subsidiary of a Seller, the Purchased Subsidiary with regard to which it is a Subsidiary will continue to have good and valid title to such outstanding Equity Interests). None of the outstanding Equity Interests in the Purchased Subsidiaries has been conveyed in violation of, and none of the outstanding Equity Interests in the Purchased Subsidiaries has been issued in violation of (a) any preemptive or subscription rights, rights of first offer or first refusal or similar rights or (b) any voting trust, proxy or other Contract (including options or rights of first offer or first refusal) with respect to the voting, purchase, sale or other disposition thereof.

# Section 4.5 Reports and Financial Statements; Internal Controls.

(a) (i) Parent has filed or furnished, or will file or furnish, as applicable, all forms, documents, schedules and reports, together with any amendments required to be made with respect thereto, required to be filed or furnished with the SEC from April 1, 2007 until the Closing (the "<u>Parent SEC Documents</u>"), and (ii) as of their respective

filing dates, or, if amended, as of the date of the last such amendment, the Parent SEC Documents complied or will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and none of the Parent SEC Documents contained or will contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or will omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, subject, in the case of Parent SEC Documents filed or furnished during the period beginning on the date of the Original Agreement and ending on the Closing Date, to any modification by Parent of its reporting obligations under Section 12 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases.

(b) (i) The consolidated financial statements of Parent included in the Parent SEC Documents (including all related notes and schedules, where applicable) fairly present or will fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of Parent and its consolidated Subsidiaries, as at the respective dates thereof, and (ii) the consolidated results of their operations and their consolidated cash flows for the respective periods then ended (subject, in the case of the unaudited statements, to normal year-end audit adjustments and to any other adjustments described therein, including the notes thereto) in conformity with GAAP (except, in the case of the unaudited statements, as permitted by the SEC) applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved (except as may be indicated therein or in the notes thereto), subject, in the case of Parent SEC Documents filed or furnished during the period beginning on the date of the Original Agreement and ending on the Closing Date, to any modification by Parent of its reporting obligations under Section 12 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases.

(c) Parent maintains a system of internal control over financial reporting designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for inclusion in the Parent SEC Documents in accordance with GAAP and maintains records that (i) in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of Parent and its consolidated Subsidiaries, (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures are made only in accordance with appropriate authorizations and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets. There are no (A) material weaknesses in the design or operation of the internal controls of Parent or (B) to the Knowledge of Sellers, any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees of Parent or any Purchased Subsidiary who have a significant role in internal control.

Section 4.6 Absence of Certain Changes and Events. From January 1, 2009 through the date hereof, except as otherwise contemplated, required or permitted by this Agreement, there has not been:

(a) (i) any declaration, setting aside or payment of any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property or by allocation of additional Indebtedness to any Seller or any Key Subsidiary without receipt of fair value) with

respect to any Equity Interests in any Seller or any Key Subsidiary or any repurchase for value of any Equity Interests or rights of any Seller or any Key Subsidiary (except for dividends and distributions among its Subsidiaries) or (ii) any split, combination or reclassification of any Equity Interests in Sellers or any issuance or the authorization of any issuance of any other Equity Interests in respect of, in lieu of or in substitution for Equity Interests of Sellers;

other than as is required by the terms of the Parent Employee Benefit (b) Plans and Policies, the Settlement Agreement, the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement or consistent with the expiration of a Collective Bargaining Agreement or as may be required by applicable Law, in each case, as may be permitted by TARP or under any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Parent and Sponsor, any (i) grant to any Seller Key Personnel of any increase in compensation, except increases required under employment Contracts in effect as of January 1, 2009, or as a result of a promotion to a position of additional responsibility, (ii) grant to any Seller Key Personnel of any increase in retention, change in control, severance or termination compensation or benefits, except as required under any employment Contracts in effect as of January 1, 2009, (iii) other than in the Ordinary Course of Business, adoption, termination of, entry into or amendment or modification of, in a material manner, any Benefit Plan, (iv) adoption, termination of, entry into or amendment or modification of, in a material manner, any employment, retention, change in control, severance or termination Contract with any Seller Key Personnel or (v) entry into or amendment, modification or termination of any Collective Bargaining Agreement or other Contract with any Union of any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary;

(c) any material change in accounting methods, principles or practices by any Seller, Purchased Subsidiary or Seller Group member or any material joint venture to which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is a party, in each case, materially affecting the consolidated assets or Liabilities of Parent, except to the extent required by a change in GAAP or applicable Law, including Tax Laws;

(d) any sale, transfer, pledge or other disposition by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary of any portion of its assets or properties not in the Ordinary Course of Business and with a sale price or fair value in excess of \$100,000,000;

(e) aggregate capital expenditures by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary in excess of \$100,000,000 in a single project or group of related projects or capital expenditures in excess of \$100,000,000 in the aggregate;

(f) any acquisition by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary (including by merger, consolidation, combination or acquisition of any Equity Interests or assets) of any Person or business or division thereof (other than acquisitions of portfolio assets and acquisitions in the Ordinary Course of Business) in a transaction (or series of related transactions) where the aggregate consideration paid or received (including non-cash equity consideration) exceeded \$100,000,000;

(g) any discharge or satisfaction of any Indebtedness by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary in excess of \$100,000,000, other than the discharge or satisfaction of any Indebtedness when due in accordance with its terms;

(h) any alteration, whether through a complete or partial liquidation, dissolution, merger, consolidation, restructuring, reorganization or in any other manner, the legal structure or ownership of any Seller or any Key Subsidiary or any material joint venture to which any Seller or any Key Subsidiary is a party, or the adoption or alteration of a plan with respect to any of the foregoing;

(i) any amendment or modification to the material adverse detriment of any Key Subsidiary of any material Affiliate Contract or Seller Material Contract, or termination of any material Affiliate Contract or Seller Material Contract to the material adverse detriment of any Seller or any Key Subsidiary, in each case, other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(j) any event, development or circumstance involving, or any change in the financial condition, properties, assets, liabilities, business, or results of operations of Sellers or any circumstance, occurrence or development (including any adverse change with respect to any circumstance, occurrence or development existing on or prior to the end of the most recent fiscal year end) of Sellers that has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or

(k) any commitment by any Seller, any Key Subsidiary (in the case of clauses (a), (g) and (h) above) or any Purchased Subsidiary (in the case of clauses (b) through (f) and clauses (h) and (j) above) to do any of the foregoing.

# Section 4.7 Title to and Sufficiency of Assets.

(a) Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, at the Closing, Sellers will obtain good and marketable title to, or a valid and enforceable right by Contract to use, the Purchased Assets, which shall be transferred to Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances.

(b) The tangible Purchased Assets of each Seller are in normal operating condition and repair, subject to ordinary wear and tear, and sufficient for the operation of such Seller's business as currently conducted, except where such instances of noncompliance with the foregoing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

# Section 4.8 Compliance with Laws; Permits.

(a) Each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary is in compliance with and is not in default under or in violation of any applicable Law, except where such non-compliance, default or violation would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Notwithstanding anything contained in this **Section 4.8(a)**, no representation or warranty shall be deemed to be made in this **Section 4.8(a)** in respect of the matters referenced in Section 4.5, Section 4.9, Section 4.10, Section 4.11 or Section 4.13, each of which matters is addressed by such other Sections of this Agreement.

(b) (i) Each Seller has all Permits necessary for such Seller to own, lease and operate the Purchased Assets and (ii) each Purchased Subsidiary has all Permits necessary for such entity to own, lease and operate its properties and assets, except in each case, where the failure to possess such Permits would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. All such Permits are in full force and effect, except where the failure to be in full force and effect would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Environmental Laws. Except as would not reasonably be expected Section 4.9 to have a Material Adverse Effect, to the Knowledge of Sellers, (a) each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary has conducted its business on the Transferred Real Property in compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws; (b) none of the Transferred Real Property currently contains any Hazardous Materials, which could reasonably be expected to give rise to an undisclosed Liability under applicable Environmental Laws; (c) as of the date of this Agreement, no Seller or Purchased Subsidiary has received any currently unresolved written notices, demand letters or written requests for information from any Governmental Authority indicating that such entity may be in violation of any Environmental Law in connection with the ownership or operation of the Transferred Real Property; and (d) since April 1, 2007, no Hazardous Materials have been transported in violation of any applicable Environmental Law, or in a manner reasonably foreseen to give rise to any Liability under any Environmental Law, from any Transferred Real Property as a result of any activity of any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary. Except as provided in Section 4.8(b) with respect to Permits under Environmental Laws, Purchaser agrees and understands that no representation or warranty is made in respect of environmental matters in any Section of this Agreement other than this Section 4.9.

# Section 4.10 Employee Benefit Plans.

(a) Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth all material Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies and Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plans (collectively, the "<u>Benefit Plans</u>"). Sellers have made available, upon reasonable request, to Purchaser true, complete and correct copies of (i) each material Benefit Plan, (ii) the three (3) most recent annual reports on Form 5500 (including all schedules, auditor's reports and attachments thereto) filed with the IRS with respect to each such Benefit Plan (if any such report was required by applicable Law), (iii) the most recent actuarial or other financial report prepared with respect to such Benefit Plan, if any, (iv) each trust agreement and insurance or annuity Contract or other funding or financing arrangement relating to such Benefit Plan and (v) to the extent not subject to confidentiality restrictions, any material written communications received by Sellers or any Subsidiaries of Sellers from any Governmental Authority relating to a Benefit Plan, including any communication from the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (the "<u>PBGC</u>"), in respect of any Benefit Plan, subject to Title IV of ERISA.

(b) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) each Benefit Plan has been administered in accordance with its terms, (ii) each

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of Sellers, any of their Subsidiaries and each Benefit Plan is in compliance with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Tax Code, all other applicable Laws (including Section 409A of the Tax Code, TARP or under any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Sellers with Sponsor) and the terms of all applicable Collective Bargaining Agreements, (iii) there are no (A) investigations by any Governmental Authority, (B) termination proceedings or other Claims (except routine Claims for benefits payable under any Benefit Plans) or (C) Claims, in each case, against or involving any Benefit Plan or asserting any rights to or Claims for benefits under any Benefit Plan that could give rise to any Liability, and there are not any facts or circumstances that could give rise to any Liability in the event of any such Claim and (iv) each Benefit Plan that is intended to be a Tax-qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Tax Code (or similar provisions for Tax-registered or Tax-favored plans of non-United States jurisdictions) is qualified and any trust established in connection with any Benefit Plan that is intended to be exempt from taxation under Section 501(a) of the Tax Code (or similar provisions for Tax-registered or Tax-favored plans of non-United States jurisdictions) is exempt from United States federal income Taxes under Section 501(a) of the Tax Code (or similar provisions under non-United States law). To the Knowledge of Sellers, no circumstance and no fact or event exists that would be reasonably expected to adversely affect the qualified status of any Benefit Plan.

(c) None of the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies or any material Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plans that is an "employee pension benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) has failed to satisfy, as applicable, the minimum funding standards (as described in Section 302 of ERISA or Section 412 of the Tax Code), whether or not waived, nor has any waiver of the minimum funding standards of Section 302 of ERISA or Section 412 of the Tax Code been requested.

(d) No Seller or any ERISA Affiliate of any Seller (including any Purchased Subsidiary) (i) has any actual or contingent Liability (A) under any employee benefit plan subject to Title IV of ERISA other than the Benefit Plans (except for contributions not yet due), (B) to the PBGC (except for the payment of premiums not yet due), which Liability, in each case, has not been fully paid as of the date hereof, or, if applicable, which has not been accrued in accordance with GAAP or (C) under any "multiemployer plan" (as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA), or (ii) will incur withdrawal Liability under Title IV of ERISA as a result of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, except for Liabilities with respect to any of the foregoing that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(e) Neither the execution of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (alone or in conjunction with any other event, including termination of employment) will entitle any member of the board of directors of Parent or any Applicable Employee who is an officer or member of senior management of Parent to any increase in compensation or benefits, any grant of severance, retention, change in control or other similar compensation or benefits, any acceleration of the time of payment or vesting of any compensation or benefits (but not including, for this purpose, any retention, stay bonus or other incentive plan, program, arrangement that is a Retained Plan) or will require the securing or funding of any

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compensation or benefits or limit the right of Sellers, any Subsidiary of Sellers or Purchaser or any Affiliates of Purchaser to amend, modify or terminate any Benefit Plan. Any new grant of severance, retention, change in control or other similar compensation or benefits to any Applicable Employee, and any payout to any Transferred Employee under any such existing arrangements, that would otherwise occur as a result of the execution of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement (alone or in conjunction with any other event, including termination of employment), has been waived by such Applicable Employee or otherwise cancelled.

(f) No amount or other entitlement currently in effect that could be received (whether in cash or property or the vesting of property) as a result of the actions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements (alone or in combination with any other event) by any Person who is a "disqualified individual" (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.280G-1) (each, a "<u>Disqualified Individual</u>") with respect to Sellers would be an "excess parachute payment" (as defined in Section 280G(b)(1) of the Tax Code). No Disqualified Individual or Applicable Employee is entitled to receive any additional payment (e.g., any Tax gross-up or any other payment) from Sellers or any Subsidiaries of Sellers in the event that the additional or excise Tax required by Section 409A or 4999 of the Tax Code, respectively is imposed on such individual.

(g) All individuals covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement are either Applicable Employees or employed by a Purchased Subsidiary.

(h) Section 4.10(h) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule lists all non-standard individual agreements currently in effect providing for compensation, benefits and perquisites for any current and former officer, director or top twenty-five (25) most highly paid employee of Parent and any other such material non-standard individual agreements with non-top twenty-five (25) employees.

Section 4.11 Labor Matters. There is not any labor strike, work stoppage or lockout pending, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing against or affecting any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (a) none of Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary is engaged in any material unfair labor practice; (b) there are not any unfair labor practice charges or complaints against Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary pending, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, before the National Labor Relations Board; (c) there are not any pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing, union grievances against Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary as to which there is a reasonable possibility of adverse determination; (d) there are not any pending, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing, charges against Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary or any of their current or former employees before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or any state or local agency responsible for the prevention of unlawful employment practices; (e) no union organizational campaign is in progress with respect to the employees of any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary and no question concerning representation of such employees exists; and (f) no Seller nor any Purchased Subsidiary has received written communication during the past five (5) years of the intent of any Governmental Authority responsible for the enforcement of labor or employment Laws to conduct an investigation of or

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affecting Sellers or any Subsidiary of Sellers and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, no such investigation is in progress.

Section 4.12 Investigations; Litigation. (a) To the Knowledge of Sellers, there is no investigation or review pending by any Governmental Authority with respect to any Seller that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and (b) there are no actions, suits, inquiries or proceedings, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, investigations, pending against any Seller, or relating to any of the Transferred Real Property, at law or in equity before, and there are no Orders of or before, any Governmental Authority, in each case that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.13 Tax Matters. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (a) all Tax Returns required to have been filed by, with respect to or on behalf of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary have been timely filed (taking into account any extension of time to file granted or obtained) and are correct and complete in all respects, (b) all amounts of Tax required to be paid with respect to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary (whether or not shown on any Tax Return) have been timely paid or are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and have been reserved for in accordance with GAAP in Parent's consolidated audited financial statements, (c) no deficiency for any amount of Tax has been asserted or assessed by a Taxing Authority in writing relating to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary that has not been satisfied by payment, settled or withdrawn, (d) there are no audits, Claims or controversies currently asserted or threatened in writing with respect to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary in respect of any amount of Tax or failure to file any Tax Return, (e) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary has agreed to any extension or waiver of the statute of limitations applicable to any Tax Return, or agreed to any extension of time with respect to a Tax assessment or deficiency, which period (after giving effect to such extension or waiver) has not yet expired, (f) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary is a party to or the subject of any ruling requests, private letter rulings, closing agreements, settlement agreements or similar agreements with any Taxing Authority for any periods for which the statute of limitations has not yet run, (g) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary (A) has any Liability for Taxes of any Person (other than any Purchased Subsidiary), including as a transferee or successor, or pursuant to any contractual obligation (other than pursuant to any commercial Contract not primarily related to Tax), or (B) is a party to or bound by any Tax sharing agreement, Tax allocation agreement or Tax indemnity agreement (in every case, other than this Agreement and those Tax sharing, Tax allocation or Tax indemnity agreements that will be terminated prior to Closing and with respect to which no post-Closing Liabilities will exist), (h) each of the Purchased Subsidiaries and each Seller and Seller Group member has withheld or collected all Taxes required to have been withheld or collected and, to the extent required, has paid such Taxes to the proper Taxing Authority, (i) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary will be required to make any adjustments in taxable income for any Tax period (or portion thereof) ending after the Closing Date, including pursuant to Section 481(a) or 263A of the Tax Code or any similar provision of foreign, provincial, state, local or other Law as a result of transactions or events occurring, or accounting methods employed, prior to the Closing, nor is any application pending with any Taxing Authority requesting permission for any changes in accounting methods that relate to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary, (i) the Assumed Liabilities were incurred through the

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Ordinary Course of Business, (k) there are no Tax Encumbrances on any of the Purchased Assets or the assets of any Purchased Subsidiary (other than Permitted Encumbrances for which appropriate reserves have been established (and to the extent that such liens relate to a period ending on or before December 31, 2008, the amount of any such Liability is accrued or reserved for as a Liability in accordance with GAAP in the audited consolidated balance sheet of Sellers at December 31, 2008)), (l) none of the Purchased Subsidiaries or Sellers has been a "distributing corporation" or a "controlled corporation" in a distribution intended to qualify under Section 355(a) of the Tax Code, (m) none of the Purchased Subsidiaries, Sellers or Seller Group members has participated in any "listed transactions" or "reportable transactions" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.6011-4, (n) there are no unpaid Taxes with respect to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Asset for which Purchaser will have liability as a transferee or successor and (o) the most recent financial statements contained in the Parent SEC Documents reflect an adequate reserve for all Taxes payable by Sellers, the Purchased Subsidiaries and the members of all Seller Groups for all taxable periods and portions thereof through the date of such financial statements.

## Section 4.14 Intellectual Property and IT Systems.

(a) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary owns, controls, or otherwise possesses sufficient rights to use, free and clear of all Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances) all Intellectual Property necessary for the conduct of its business in substantially the same manner as conducted as of the date hereof; and (ii) all Intellectual Property owned by Sellers that is necessary for the conduct of the business of Sellers and each Purchased Subsidiary as conducted as of the date hereof is subsisting and in full force and effect, has not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable, has not been abandoned or allowed to lapse, in whole or in part, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, is valid and enforceable.

(b) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, all necessary registration, maintenance and renewal fees in connection with the Intellectual Property owned by Sellers have been paid and all necessary documents and certificates in connection with such Intellectual Property have been filed with the relevant patent, copyright, trademark or other authorities in the United States or applicable foreign jurisdictions, as the case may be, for the purposes of prosecuting, maintaining or renewing such Intellectual Property.

(c) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no Intellectual Property owned by Sellers is the subject of any licensing or franchising Contract that prohibits or materially restricts the conduct of business as presently conducted by any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary or the transfer of such Intellectual Property.

(d) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) the Intellectual Property or the conduct of Sellers' and the Purchased Subsidiaries' businesses does not infringe, misappropriate, dilute, or otherwise violate or conflict with the trademarks, patents, copyrights, inventions, trade secrets, proprietary

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information and technology, know-how, formulae, rights of publicity or any other intellectual property rights of any Person; (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, no other Person is now infringing or in conflict with any Intellectual Property owned by Sellers or Sellers' rights thereunder; and (iii) no Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary has received any written notice that it is violating or has violated the trademarks, patents, copyrights, inventions, trade secrets, proprietary information and technology, know-how, formulae, rights of publicity or any other intellectual property rights of any third party.

(e) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no holding, decision or judgment has been rendered by any Governmental Authority against any Seller, which would limit, cancel or invalidate any Intellectual Property owned by Sellers.

(f) No action or proceeding is pending, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, on the date hereof that (i) seeks to limit, cancel or invalidate any Intellectual Property owned by Sellers or such Sellers' ownership interest therein; and (ii) if adversely determined, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(g) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers and the Purchased Subsidiaries have taken reasonable actions to (i) maintain, enforce and police their Intellectual Property; and (ii) protect their material Software, websites and other systems (and the information therein) from unauthorized access or use.

(h) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) each Seller and Purchased Subsidiary has taken reasonable steps to protect its rights in, and confidentiality of, all the Trade Secrets, and any other confidential information owned by such Seller or Purchased Subsidiary; and (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, such Trade Secrets have not been disclosed by Sellers to any Person except pursuant to a valid and appropriate non-disclosure, license or any other appropriate Contract that has not been breached.

(i) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, there has not been any malfunction with respect to any of the Software, electronic data processing, data communication lines, telecommunication lines, firmware, hardware, Internet websites or other information technology equipment of any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary since April 1, 2007, which has not been remedied or replaced in all respects.

(j) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will not cause to be provided or licensed to any third Person, or give rise to any rights of any third Person with respect to, any source code that is part of the Software owned by Sellers; and (ii) Sellers have implemented reasonable disaster recovery and back-up plans with respect to the Software.

Section 4.15 Real Property. Each Seller owns and has valid title to the Transferred Real Property that is Owned Real Property owned by it and has valid leasehold or

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subleasehold interests, as the case may be, in all of the Transferred Real Property that is Leased Real Property leased or subleased by it, in each case, free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances. Each of Sellers and the Purchased Subsidiaries has complied with the terms of each lease, sublease, license or other Contract relating to the Transferred Real Property to which it is a party, except any failure to comply that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

## Section 4.16 Material Contracts.

Except for this Agreement, the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and (a) Policies, except as filed with, or disclosed or incorporated in, the Parent SEC Documents or except as set forth on Section 4.16 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, as of the date hereof, no Seller is a party to or bound by (i) any "material contract" (as such term is defined in Item 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K of the SEC); (ii) any non-compete or exclusivity agreement that materially restricts the operation of Sellers' core business; (iii) any asset purchase agreement, stock purchase agreement or other agreement entered into within the past six years governing a material joint venture or the acquisition or disposition of assets or other property where the consideration paid or received for such assets or other property exceeded \$500,000,000 (whether in cash, stock or otherwise); (iv) any agreement or series of related agreements with any supplier of Sellers who directly support the production of vehicles, which provided collectively for payments by Sellers to such supplier in excess of \$250,000,000 during the 12-month period ended December 31, 2008; (v) any agreement or series of related agreements with any supplier of Sellers who does not directly support the production of vehicles, which, provided collectively for payments by Sellers to such supplier in excess of \$100,000,000 during the 12-month period ended April 30, 2009; (vi) any Contract relating to the lease or purchase of aircraft; (vii) any settlement agreement where a Seller has paid or may be required to pay an amount in excess of \$100,000,000 to settle the Claims covered by such settlement agreement; (viii) any material Contract that will, following the Closing, as a result of transactions contemplated hereby, be between or among a Seller or any Retained Subsidiary, on the one hand, and Purchaser or any Purchased Subsidiary, on the other hand (other than the Ancillary Agreements); and (ix) agreements entered into in connection with a material joint venture (all Contracts of the type described in this Section 4.16(a) being referred to herein as "Seller Material Contracts").

(b) No Seller is in breach of or default under, or has received any written notice alleging any breach of or default under, the terms of any Seller Material Contract or material License, where such breach or default would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of Sellers, no other party to any Seller Material Contract or material License is in breach of or default under the terms of any Seller Material Contract or material License, where such breach or default would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, each Seller Material Contract or material License is a valid, binding and enforceable obligation of such Seller that is party thereto and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, of each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

Section 4.17 Dealer Sales and Service Agreements for Continuing Brands. Parent is not in breach of or default under the terms of any United States dealer sales and service Contract for Continuing Brands other than any Excluded Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement (each, a "Dealer Agreement"), where such breach or default would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of Sellers, no other party to any Dealer Agreement is in breach of or default under the terms of such Dealer Agreement, where such breach or default would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, each Dealer Agreement is a valid and binding obligation of Parent and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, of each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

# Section 4.18 Sellers' Products.

(a) To the Knowledge of Sellers, since April 1, 2007, neither Sellers nor any Purchased Subsidiary has conducted or decided to conduct any material recall or other field action concerning any product developed, designed, manufactured, sold, provided or placed in the stream of commerce by or on behalf of any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary.

(b) As of the date hereof, there are no material pending actions for negligence, manufacturing negligence or improper workmanship, or material pending actions, in whole or in part, premised upon product liability, against or otherwise naming as a party any Seller, Purchased Subsidiary or any predecessor-in-interest of any of the foregoing Persons, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing or of which Seller has received written notice that involve a product liability Claim resulting from the ownership, possession or use of any product manufactured, sold or delivered by any Seller, any Purchased Subsidiary or any predecessor-in-interest of any of the foregoing Persons, which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) To the Knowledge of Sellers and except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no supplier to any Seller has threatened in writing to cease the supply of products or services that could impair future production at a major production facility of such Seller.

Section 4.19 Certain Business Practices. Each of Sellers and the Purchased Subsidiaries is in compliance with the legal requirements under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, as amended (the "<u>FCPA</u>"), except for such failures, whether individually or in the aggregate, to maintain books and records or internal controls as required thereunder that are not

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material. To the Knowledge of Sellers, since April 1, 2007, no Seller or Purchased Subsidiary, nor any director, officer, employee or agent thereof, acting on its, his or her own behalf or on behalf of any of the foregoing Persons, has offered, promised, authorized the payment of, or paid, any money, or the transfer of anything of value, directly or indirectly, to or for the benefit of: (a) any employee, official, agent or other representative of any foreign Governmental Authority, or of any public international organization; or (b) any foreign political party or official thereof or candidate for foreign political office for the purpose of influencing any act or decision of such recipient in the recipient's official capacity, or inducing such recipient to use his, her or its influence to affect any act or decision of such foreign government or department, agency or instrumentality thereof or of such public international organization, or securing any improper advantage, in the case of both clause (a) and (b) above, in order to assist any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary to obtain or retain business for, or to direct business to, any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary and under circumstances that would subject any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary to material Liability under any applicable Laws of the United States (including the FCPA) or of any foreign jurisdiction where any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary does business relating to corruption, bribery, ethical business conduct, money laundering, political contributions, gifts and gratuities, or lawful expenses.

*Section 4.20 Brokers and Other Advisors.* No broker, investment banker, financial advisor, counsel (other than legal counsel) or other Person is entitled to any broker's, finder's or financial advisor's fee or commission (collectively, "<u>Advisory Fees</u>") in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Sellers or any Affiliate of any Seller.

# Section 4.21 Investment Representations.

(a) Each Seller is acquiring the Parent Shares for its own account solely for investment and not with a view to, or for sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the Securities Act or the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction. Each Seller agrees that it shall not transfer any of the Parent Shares, except in compliance with the Securities Act and with the applicable securities Laws of any other jurisdiction.

(b) Each Seller is an "Accredited Investor" as defined in Rule 501(a) promulgated under the Securities Act.

(c) Each Seller understands that the acquisition of the Parent Shares to be acquired by it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement involves substantial risk. Each Seller and its officers have experience as an investor in the Equity Interests of companies such as the ones being transferred pursuant to this Agreement and each Seller acknowledges that it can bear the economic risk of its investment and has such knowledge and experience in financial or business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Parent Shares to be acquired by it pursuant to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(d) Each Seller further understands and acknowledges that the Parent Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction and agrees that the Parent Shares may not be sold, transferred, offered

for sale, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of without registration under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction, or, in each case, an applicable exemption therefrom.

(e) Each Seller acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Parent Shares has not been accomplished by the publication of any advertisement.

Section 4.22 No Other Representations or Warranties of Sellers. EXCEPT FOR THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE IV, NONE OF SELLERS AND ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF A SELLER MAKES ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO SELLERS, ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES, SELLERS' BUSINESS, THE PURCHASED ASSETS, THE ASSUMED LIABILITIES OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE IV, SELLERS MAKE NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, WITH RESPECT TO (A) MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR USE, TITLE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS, (B) ANY INFORMATION, WRITTEN OR ORAL AND IN ANY FORM PROVIDED OR MADE AVAILABLE (WHETHER BEFORE OR, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUPPLEMENT, MODIFICATION OR UPDATE TO THE SELLERS' DISCLOSURE SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO SECTION 6.5, SECTION 6.6 OR SECTION 6.26, AFTER THE DATE HEREOF) TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING IN "DATA ROOMS" (INCLUDING ON-LINE DATA ROOMS), MANAGEMENT PRESENTATIONS, FUNCTIONAL "BREAK-OUT" DISCUSSIONS, RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THEM OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THEM OR ANY OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE ONE HAND, AND SELLERS, THEIR AFFILIATES, OR ANY OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE OTHER HAND, OR ON THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF ANY SUCH INFORMATION, OR ANY PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES, BUSINESS PLANS OR BUDGETS DELIVERED TO OR MADE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES OR (C) FUTURE REVENUES, EXPENSES OR EXPENDITURES, FUTURE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF), FUTURE CASH FLOWS OR FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF) OF SELLERS' BUSINESS OR THE PURCHASED ASSETS.

# ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PURCHASER

Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to Sellers as follows:

Section 5.1 Organization and Good Standing. Purchaser is a legal entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of

incorporation. Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its assets and to carry on its business as now being conducted.

# Section 5.2 Authorization; Enforceability.

(a) Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to (i) execute and deliver this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party; (ii) perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; and (iii) consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party.

(b) This Agreement constitutes, and each of the Ancillary Agreements to which Purchaser is a party, when duly executed and delivered by Purchaser, shall constitute, a valid and legally binding obligation of Purchaser (assuming that this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements constitute valid and legally binding obligations of each Seller that is a party thereto and the other applicable parties thereto), enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with its respective terms and conditions, except as may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

# Section 5.3 Noncontravention; Consents.

(a) The execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party, and (subject to the entry of the Sale Approval Order) the consummation by Purchaser of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, do not (i) violate any Law to which Purchaser or its assets is subject; (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of any provision of the Organizational Documents of Purchaser; or (iii) create a breach, default, termination, cancellation or acceleration of any obligation of Purchaser under any Contract to which Purchaser is a party or by which Purchaser or any of its assets or properties is bound or subject, except for any of the foregoing in the cases of clauses (i) and (iii), that would not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Purchaser's ability to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby or to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement to which it is a party (a "<u>Purchaser Material Adverse Effect</u>").

(b) No consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Person or Governmental Authority is required by Purchaser for the consummation by Purchaser of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party or the compliance by Purchaser with any of the provisions hereof or thereof, except for (i) compliance with the applicable requirements of any Antitrust Laws and (ii) such consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit, qualification or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Governmental Authority, the failure of which to be received

or made would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Purchaser Material Adverse Effect.

## Section 5.4 Capitalization.

(a) As of the date hereof, Sponsor holds beneficially and of record 1,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Purchaser, which constitutes all of the outstanding capital stock of Purchaser, and all such capital stock is validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

(b) Immediately following the Closing, the authorized capital stock of Purchaser (or, if a Holding Company Reorganization has occurred prior to the Closing, Holding Company) will consist of 2,500,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("<u>Common Stock</u>"), and 1,000,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("<u>Preferred Stock</u>"), of which 360,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock are designated as Series A Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "<u>Series A Preferred Stock</u>").

(c) Immediately following the Closing, (i) Canada or one or more of its Affiliates will hold beneficially and of record 58,368,644 shares of Common Stock and 16,101,695 shares of Series A Preferred Stock (collectively, the "<u>Canada Shares</u>"), (ii) Sponsor or one or more of its Affiliates collectively will hold beneficially and of record 304,131,356 shares of Common Stock and 83,898,305 shares of Series A Preferred Stock (collectively, the "<u>Sponsor Shares</u>") and (iii) the New VEBA will hold beneficially and of record 87,500,000 shares of Common Stock and 260,000,000 shares of Series A Preferred Stock (collectively, the "<u>VEBA Shares</u>"). Immediately following the Closing, there will be no other holders of Common Stock or Preferred Stock.

Except as provided under the Parent Warrants, VEBA Warrants, Equity (d) Incentive Plans or as disclosed on the Purchaser's Disclosure Schedule, there are and, immediately following the Closing, there will be no outstanding options, warrants, subscriptions, calls, convertible securities, phantom equity, equity appreciation or similar rights, or other rights or Contracts (contingent or otherwise) (including any right of conversion or exchange under any outstanding security, instrument or other Contract or any preemptive right) obligating Purchaser to deliver or sell, or cause to be issued, delivered or sold, any shares of its capital stock or other equity securities, instruments or rights that are, directly or indirectly, convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for any shares of its capital stock. There are no outstanding contractual obligations of Purchaser to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any shares of its capital stock or to provide funds to, or make any material investment (in the form of a loan, capital contribution or otherwise) in, any other Person. There are no voting trusts, shareholder agreements, proxies or other Contracts or understandings in effect with respect to the voting or transfer of any of the shares of Common Stock to which Purchaser is a party or by which Purchaser is bound. Except as provided under the Equity Registration Rights Agreement or as disclosed in the Purchaser's Disclosure Schedule, Purchaser has not granted or agreed to grant any holders of shares of Common Stock or securities

convertible into shares of Common Stock registration rights with respect to such shares under the Securities Act.

(e) Immediately following the Closing, (i) all of the Canada Shares, the Parent Shares and the Sponsor Shares will be duly and validly authorized and issued, fully paid and nonassessable, and will be issued in accordance with the registration or qualification provisions of the Securities Act or pursuant to valid exemptions therefrom and (ii) none of the Canada Shares, the Parent Shares or the Sponsor Shares will be issued in violation of any preemptive rights.

Section 5.5 Valid Issuance of Shares. The Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares and the Common Stock underlying the Parent Warrants, when issued, sold and delivered in accordance with the terms and for the consideration set forth in this Agreement and the related warrant agreement, as applicable, will be (a) validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and (b) free of restrictions on transfer other than restrictions on transfer under applicable state and federal securities Laws and Encumbrances created by or imposed by Sellers. Assuming the accuracy of the representations of Sellers in **Section 4.21**, the Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares and Parent Warrants will be issued in compliance with all applicable federal and state securities Laws.

# Section 5.6 Investment Representations.

(a) Purchaser is acquiring the Transferred Equity Interests for its own account solely for investment and not with a view to, or for sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the Securities Act or the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction. Purchaser agrees that it shall not transfer any of the Transferred Equity Interests, except in compliance with the Securities Act and with the applicable securities Laws of any other jurisdiction.

(b) Purchaser is an "Accredited Investor" as defined in Rule 501(a) promulgated under the Securities Act.

(c) Purchaser understands that the acquisition of the Transferred Equity Interests to be acquired by it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement involves substantial risk. Purchaser and its officers have experience as an investor in Equity Interests of companies such as the ones being transferred pursuant to this Agreement and Purchaser acknowledges that it can bear the economic risk of its investment and has such knowledge and experience in financial or business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Transferred Equity Interests to be acquired by it pursuant to the transactions contemplated hereby.

(d) Purchaser further understands and acknowledges that the Transferred Equity Interests have not been registered under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction and agrees that the Transferred Equity Interests may not be sold, transferred, offered for sale, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of without registration under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction, or, in each case, an applicable exemption therefrom.

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(e) Purchaser acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Transferred Equity Interests has not been accomplished by the publication of any advertisement.

Section 5.7 Continuity of Business Enterprise. It is the present intention of Purchaser to directly, or indirectly through its Subsidiaries, continue at least one significant historic business line of each Seller, or use at least a significant portion of each Seller's historic business assets in a business, in each case, within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.368-1(d).

*Section 5.8 Integrated Transaction.* Sponsor has contributed, or will, prior to the Closing, contribute the UST Credit Facilities, a portion of the DIP Facility that is owed as of the Closing and the UST Warrant to Purchaser solely for the purposes of effectuating the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

No Other Representations or Warranties of Sellers. PURCHASER Section 5.9 HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT. EXCEPT FOR THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN ARTICLE IV, NONE OF SELLERS AND ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF A SELLER MAKES ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO SELLERS, ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES, SELLERS' BUSINESS, THE PURCHASED ASSETS, THE ASSUMED LIABILITIES OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE IV, PURCHASER FURTHER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT SELLERS MAKE NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, WITH RESPECT TO (A) MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR USE, TITLE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS, (B) ANY INFORMATION, WRITTEN OR ORAL AND IN ANY FORM PROVIDED OR MADE AVAILABLE (WHETHER BEFORE OR, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUPPLEMENT, MODIFICATION OR UPDATE TO THE SELLERS' DISCLOSURE SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO SECTION 6.5, SECTION 6.6 OR SECTION 6.26, AFTER THE DATE HEREOF) TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING IN "DATA ROOMS" (INCLUDING ON-LINE DATA MANAGEMENT PRESENTATIONS, **FUNCTIONAL** "BREAK-OUT" ROOMS). DISCUSSIONS, RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF IT OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN IT OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE ONE HAND, AND SELLERS, THEIR AFFILIATES, OR ANY OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE OTHER HAND, OR ON THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF ANY SUCH INFORMATION OR (C) ANY PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES, BUSINESS PLANS OR BUDGETS DELIVERED TO OR MADE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES OR (D) FUTURE REVENUES, EXPENSES OR EXPENDITURES, FUTURE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF), FUTURE CASH FLOWS OR FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF) OF SELLERS' BUSINESS OR THE PURCHASED ASSETS.

## ARTICLE VI COVENANTS

#### Section 6.1 Access to Information.

Sellers agree that, until the earlier of the Executory Contract Designation (a) Deadline and the termination of this Agreement, Purchaser shall be entitled, through its Representatives or otherwise, to have reasonable access to the executive officers and Representatives of Sellers and the properties and other facilities, businesses, books, Contracts, personnel, records and operations (including the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities) of Sellers and their Subsidiaries, including access to systems, data, databases for benefit plan administration; provided however, that no such investigation or examination shall be permitted to the extent that it would, in Sellers' reasonable determination, require any Seller, any Subsidiary of any Seller or any of their respective Representatives to disclose information subject to attorney-client privilege or in conflict with any confidentiality agreement to which any Seller, any Subsidiary of any Seller or any of their respective Representatives are bound (in which case, to the extent requested by Purchaser, Sellers will use reasonable best efforts to seek an amendment or appropriate waiver, or necessary consents, as may be required to avoid such conflict, or restructure the form of access, so as to permit the access requested); provided further, that notwithstanding the notice provisions in Section 9.2 hereof, all such requests for access to the executive officers of Sellers shall be directed, prior to the Closing, to the Chief Financial Officer of Parent or his designee, and following the Closing, to the Chief Restructuring Officer of Parent or his or her designee. If any material is withheld pursuant to this Section 6.1(a), Seller shall inform Purchaser in writing as to the general nature of what is being withheld and the reason for withholding such material.

(b) Any investigation and examination contemplated by this Section 6.1 shall be subject to restrictions set forth in Section 6.24 and under applicable Law. Sellers shall cooperate, and shall cause their Subsidiaries and each of their respective Representatives to cooperate, with Purchaser and its Representatives in connection with such investigation and examination, and each of Purchaser and its Representatives shall use their reasonable best efforts to not materially interfere with the business of Sellers and their Subsidiaries. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, subject to Section 6.1(a), such investigation and examination shall include reasonable access to Sellers' executive officers (and employees of Sellers and their respective Subsidiaries identified by such executive officers), offices, properties and other facilities, and books, Contracts and records (including any document retention policies of Sellers) and access to accountants of Sellers and each of their respective Subsidiaries (provided that Sellers and each of their respective Subsidiaries, as applicable, shall have the right to be present at any meeting between any such accountant and Purchaser or Representative of Purchaser, whether such meeting is in person, telephonic or otherwise) and Sellers and each of their respective Subsidiaries and their Representatives shall prepare and furnish to Purchaser's Representatives such additional financial and operating data and other information as Purchaser may from time to time reasonably request, subject, in each case, to the confidentiality restrictions outlined in this Section 6.1. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Purchaser shall consult with Sellers prior to conducting any environmental investigations or examinations of any nature, including Phase I and Phase II site assessments and any environmental sampling in respect of the Transferred Real Property.

Section 6.2 Conduct of Business.

(a) Except as (i) otherwise expressly contemplated by or permitted under this Agreement, including the DIP Facility; (ii) disclosed on Section 6.2 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule; (iii) approved by the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court or other Governmental Authority in connection with any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by or in respect of any Subsidiary of Parent); or (iv) required by or resulting from any changes to applicable Laws, from and after the date of this Agreement and until the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement, Sellers shall and shall cause each Purchased Subsidiary to (A) conduct their operations in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) not take any action inconsistent with this Agreement or with the consummation of the Closing, (C) use reasonable best efforts to preserve in the Ordinary Course of Business and in all material respects the present relationships of Sellers and each of their Subsidiaries with their respective customers, suppliers and others having significant business dealings with them, (D) not take any action to cause any of Sellers' representations and warranties set forth in ARTICLE IV to be untrue in any material respect as of any such date when such representation or warranty is made or deemed to be made and (E) not take any action that would reasonably be expected to materially prevent or delay the Closing.

(b) Subject to the exceptions contained in clauses (i) through (iv) of Section 6.2(a), each Seller agrees that, from and after the date of this Agreement and until the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement, without the prior written consent of Purchaser (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), such Seller shall not, and shall not permit any of the Key Subsidiaries (and in the case of clauses (i), (ix), (xiii) or (xvi), shall not permit any Purchased Subsidiary) to:

(i) take any action with respect to which any Seller has granted approval rights to Sponsor under any Contract, including under the UST Credit Facilities, without obtaining the prior approval of such action from Sponsor;

(ii) issue, sell, pledge, create an Encumbrance or otherwise dispose of or authorize the issuance, sale, pledge, Encumbrance or disposition of any Equity Interests of the Transferred Entities, or grant any options, warrants or other rights to purchase or obtain (including upon conversion, exchange or exercise) any such Equity Interests;

(iii) declare, set aside or pay any dividend or make any distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property or by allocation of additional Indebtedness to any Seller or any Key Subsidiary without receipt of fair value with respect to any Equity Interest of Seller or any Key Subsidiary), except for dividends and distributions among the Purchased Subsidiaries;

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(iv) directly or indirectly, purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any Equity Interests or any rights to acquire any Equity Interests of any Seller or Key Subsidiary;

(v) materially change any of its financial accounting policies or procedures or any of its methods of reporting income, deductions or other material items for financial accounting purposes, except as permitted by GAAP, a SEC rule, regulation or policy or applicable Law, or as modified by Parent as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases;

(vi) adopt any amendments to its Organizational Documents or permit the adoption of any amendment of the Organizational Documents of any Key Subsidiary or effect a split, combination or reclassification or other adjustment of Equity Interests of any Purchased Subsidiary or a recapitalization thereof;

(vii) sell, pledge, lease, transfer, assign or dispose of any Purchased Asset or permit any Purchased Asset to become subject to any Encumbrance, other than a Permitted Encumbrance, in each case, except in the Ordinary Course of Business or pursuant to a Contract in existence as of the date hereof (or entered into in compliance with this **Section 6.2**);

(viii) (A) incur or assume any Indebtedness for borrowed money or issue any debt securities, except for Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred by Purchased Subsidiaries under existing lines of credit (including through the incurrence of Intercompany Obligations) to fund operations of Purchased Subsidiaries and Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred by Sellers under the DIP Facility or (B) assume, guarantee, endorse or otherwise become liable or responsible (whether directly, contingently or otherwise) for the obligations of any other Person, except for Indebtedness for borrowed money among any Seller and Subsidiary or among the Subsidiaries;

(ix) discharge or satisfy any Indebtedness in excess of \$100,000,000 other than the discharge or satisfaction of any Indebtedness when due in accordance with its originally scheduled terms;

(x) other than as is required by the terms of a Parent Employee Benefit Plan and Policy (in effect on the date hereof and set forth on Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule), any Assumed Plan (in effect on the date hereof) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement or consistent with the expiration of a Collective Bargaining Agreement, the Settlement Agreement, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement or as may be required by applicable Law or TARP or under any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Sellers and Sponsor, (A) increase the compensation or benefits of any Employee of Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary (except for increases in salary or wages in the Ordinary Course of Business with respect to Employees who are not current or former directors or officers of Sellers or Seller Key Personnel), (B) grant any severance or termination pay to any Employee of Sellers or any Purchased

Subsidiary except for severance or termination pay provided under any Parent Employee Benefit Plan and Policy or as the result of a settlement of any pending Claim or charge involving a Governmental Authority or litigation with respect to Employees who are not current or former officers or directors of Sellers or Seller Key Personnel), (C) establish, adopt, enter into, amend or terminate any Benefit Plan (including any change to any actuarial or other assumption used to calculate funding obligations with respect to any Benefit Plan or any change to the manner in which contributions to any Benefit Plan are made or the basis on which such contributions are determined), except where any such action would reduce Sellers' costs or Liabilities pursuant to such plan, (D) grant any awards under any Benefit Plan (including any equity or equity-based awards), (E) increase or promise to increase or provide for the funding under any Benefit Plan, (F) forgive any loans to Employees of Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary (other than as part of a settlement of any pending Claim or charge involving a Governmental Authority or litigation in the Ordinary Course of Business or with respect to obligations of Employees whose employment is terminated by Sellers or a Purchased Subsidiary in the Ordinary Course of Business, other than Employees who are current or former officers or directors of Sellers or Seller Key Personnel or directors of Sellers or a Purchased Subsidiary) or (G) exercise any discretion to accelerate the time of payment or vesting of any compensation or benefits under any Benefit Plan;

(xi) modify, amend, terminate or waive any rights under any Affiliate Contract or Seller Material Contract (except for any dealer sales and service Contracts or as contemplated by **Section 6.7**) in any material respect in a manner that is adverse to any Seller that is a party thereto, other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(xii) enter into any Seller Material Contract other than as contemplated by **Section 6.7**;

(xiii) acquire (including by merger, consolidation, combination or acquisition of Equity Interests or assets) any Person or business or division thereof (other than acquisitions of portfolio assets and acquisitions in the Ordinary Course of Business) in a transaction (or series of related transactions) where the aggregate consideration paid or received (including non-cash equity consideration) exceeds \$100,000,000;

(xiv) alter, whether through a complete or partial liquidation, dissolution, merger, consolidation, restructuring, reorganization or in any other manner, the legal structure or ownership of any Key Subsidiary, or adopt or approve a plan with respect to any of the foregoing;

(xv) enter into any Contract that limits or otherwise restricts or that would reasonably be expected to, after the Closing, restrict or limit in any material respect (A) Purchaser or any of its Subsidiaries or any successor thereto or (B) any Affiliates of Purchaser or any successor thereto, in the case of each of

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clause (A) or (B), from engaging or competing in any line of business or in any geographic area;

(xvi) enter into any Contracts for capital expenditures, exceeding \$100,000,000 in the aggregate in connection with any single project or group of related projects;

- (xvii) open or reopen any major production facility; and
- (xviii) agree, in writing or otherwise, to take any of the foregoing actions.

Section 6.3 Notices and Consents.

(a) Sellers shall and shall cause each of their Subsidiaries to, and Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to, promptly give all notices to, obtain all material consents, approvals or authorizations from, and file all notifications and related materials with, any third parties (including any Governmental Authority) that may be or become necessary to be given or obtained by Sellers or their Affiliates, or Purchaser, respectively, in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Each of Purchaser and Parent shall, to the extent permitted by Law, (b) promptly notify the other Party of any communication it or any of its Affiliates receives from any Governmental Authority relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and permit the other Party to review in advance any proposed substantive communication by such Party to any Governmental Authority. Neither Purchaser nor Parent shall agree to participate in any material meeting with any Governmental Authority in respect of any significant filings, investigation (including any settlement of the investigation), litigation or other inquiry unless it consults with the other Party in advance and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Authority, gives the other Party the opportunity to attend and participate at such meeting; provided, however, in the event either Party is prohibited by applicable Law or such Governmental Authority from participating in or attending any such meeting, then the Party who participates in such meeting shall keep the other Party apprised with respect thereto to the extent permitted by Law. To the extent permitted by Law, Purchaser and Parent shall coordinate and cooperate fully with each other in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as the other Party may reasonably request in connection with the foregoing, including, to the extent reasonably practicable, providing to the other Party in advance of submission, drafts of all material filings, submissions, correspondences or other written communications, providing the other Party with an opportunity to comment on the drafts, and, where practicable, incorporating such comments, if any, into the final documents. To the extent permitted by applicable Law, Purchaser and Parent shall provide each other with copies of all material correspondences, filings or written communications between them or any of their Representatives, on the one hand, and any Governmental Authority or members of its staff, on the other hand, with respect to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(c) None of Purchaser, Parent or their respective Affiliates shall be required to pay any fees or other payments to any Governmental Authorities in order to obtain any authorization, consent, Order or approval (other than normal filing fees and administrative fees that are imposed by Law on Purchaser), and in the event that any fees in addition to normal filing fees imposed by Law may be required to obtain any such authorization, consent, Order or approval, such fees shall be for the account of Purchaser.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no Seller shall be required to make any expenditure or incur any Liability in connection with the requirements set forth in this **Section 6.3**.

# Section 6.4 Sale Procedures; Bankruptcy Court Approval.

(a) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court and the consideration by Sellers and the Bankruptcy Court of higher or better competing Bids with respect to an Alternative Transaction. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit Sellers and their respective Affiliates and Representatives from soliciting, considering, negotiating, agreeing to, or otherwise taking action in furtherance of, any Alternative Transaction but only to the extent that Sellers determine in good faith that such actions are permitted or required by the Sale Procedures Order.

(b) On the Petition Date, Sellers filed with the Bankruptcy Court the Bankruptcy Cases under the Bankruptcy Code and a motion (and related notices and proposed Orders) (the "Sale Procedures and Sale Motion"), seeking entry of (i) the sale procedures order, in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit H** (the "Sale Procedures Order"), and (ii) the sale approval order, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit I (the "Sale Approval Order"). The Sale Approval Order shall declare that if there is an Agreed G Transaction, (A) this Agreement constitutes a "plan" of Parent and Purchaser solely for purposes of Sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code and (B) the transactions with respect to Parent described herein, in combination with the subsequent liquidation of Sellers, are intended to constitute a reorganization of Parent pursuant to Section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Tax Code. To the extent reasonably practicable, Sellers shall consult with and provide Purchaser and the UAW a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on material motions, applications and supporting papers prepared by Sellers in connection with this Agreement prior to the filing or delivery thereof in the Bankruptcy Cases.

(c) Purchaser acknowledges that Sellers may receive bids ("<u>Bids</u>") from prospective purchasers (such prospective purchasers, the "<u>Bidders</u>") with respect to an Alternative Transaction, as provided in the Sale Procedures Order. All Bids (other than Bids submitted by Purchaser) shall be submitted with two copies of this Agreement marked to show changes requested by the Bidder.

(d) If Sellers receive any Bids, Sellers shall have the right to select, and seek final approval of the Bankruptcy Court for, the highest or otherwise best Bid or Bids from the Bidders (the "<u>Superior Bid</u>"), which will be determined in accordance with the Sale Procedure Order.

(e) Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain entry of the Sale Approval Order on the Bankruptcy Court's docket as soon as practicable, and in no event no later than July 10, 2009.

(f) Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to comply (or obtain an Order from the Bankruptcy Court waiving compliance) with all requirements under the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure in connection with obtaining approval of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including serving on all required Persons in the Bankruptcy Cases (including all holders of Encumbrances and parties to the Purchased Contracts), a notice of the Sale Procedures and Sale Motion, the Sale Hearing and the objection deadline in accordance with Rules 2002, 6004, 6006 and 9014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (as modified by Orders of the Bankruptcy Court), the Sale Procedures Order or other Orders of the Bankruptcy Court, including General Order M-331 issued by the Bankruptcy Court, and any applicable local rules of the Bankruptcy Court.

(g) Sellers shall provide Purchaser with a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on all motions, applications and supporting papers prepared by Sellers in connection with this Agreement (including forms of Orders and of notices to interested parties) prior to the filing or delivery thereof in the Bankruptcy Cases. All motions, applications and supporting papers prepared by Sellers and relating to the approval of this Agreement (including forms of Orders and of notices to interested parties) to be filed or delivered on behalf of Sellers shall be reasonably acceptable in form and substance to Purchaser. Sellers shall provide written notice to Purchaser of all matters that are required to be served on Sellers' creditors pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. In the event the Sale Procedures Order and the Sale Approval Order is appealed, Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to defend such appeal.

(h) Purchaser agrees, to the extent reasonably requested by Sellers, to cooperate with and assist Sellers in seeking entry of the Sale Procedures Order and the Sale Approval Order by the Bankruptcy Court, including attending all hearings on the Sale Procedures and Sale Motion.

Section 6.5 Supplements to Purchased Assets. Purchaser shall, from the date hereof until the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, have the right to designate in writing additional Personal Property it wishes to designate as Purchased Assets if such Personal Property is located at a parcel of leased real property where the underlying lease has been designated as a Rejectable Executory Contract pursuant to **Section 6.6** following the Closing.

# Section 6.6 Assumption or Rejection of Contracts.

(a) The Assumable Executory Contract Schedule sets forth a list of Executory Contracts entered into by Sellers that Sellers may assume and assign to Purchaser in accordance with this **Section 6.6(a)** (each, an "<u>Assumable Executory Contract</u>"). Any Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as an

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Assumable Executory Contract and deemed to be set forth on the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule. Purchaser may, until the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, designate in writing any additional Executory Contract it wishes to designate as an Assumable Executory Contract and include on the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule, or any Assumable Executory Contract it no longer wishes to designate as an Assumable Executory Contract and remove from the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule; provided, however, that (i) Purchaser may not designate as an Assumable Executory Contract any (A) Rejectable Executory Contract, unless Sellers have consented to such designation in writing or (B) Contract that has previously been rejected by Sellers pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (ii) Purchaser may not remove from the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule (v) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, (w) any Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, (x) any Contract that has been previously assumed by Sellers pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, (y) any Deferred Termination Agreement (or the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) or (z) any Participation Agreement (or the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement). Except as otherwise provided above, for each Assumable Executory Contract, Purchaser must determine, prior to the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, the date on which it seeks to have the assumption and assignment become effective, which date may be the Closing Date or a later date (but not an earlier date). The term "Executory Contract Designation Deadline" shall mean the date that is thirty (30) calendar days following the Closing Date, or if such date is not a Business Day, the next Business Day, or if mutually agreed upon by the Parties, any later date up to and including the Business Day immediately prior to the date of the confirmation hearing for Sellers' plan of liquidation or reorganization. For the avoidance of doubt, the Executory Contract Designation Deadline may be extended by mutual agreement of the Parties with respect to any single unassumed and unassigned Executory Contract, groups of unassumed and unassigned Executory Contracts or all of the unassumed and unassigned Executory Contracts.

(b) Sellers may, until the Closing, provide written notice (a "<u>Notice of Intent</u> to <u>Reject</u>") to Purchaser of Sellers' intent to designate any Executory Contract (that has not been designated as an Assumable Executory Contract) as a Rejectable Executory Contract (each a "<u>Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract</u>"). Following receipt of a Notice of Intent to Reject, Purchaser shall as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event later than fifteen (15) calendar days following receipt of a Notice of Intent to Reject (the "<u>Option Period</u>"), provide Sellers written notice of Purchaser's designation of one or more Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract. Each Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract that has not been designated by Purchaser as an Assumable Executory Contract during the applicable Option Period shall automatically, without further action by Sellers, be designated as a Rejectable Executory Contract. A "<u>Rejectable Executory Contract</u>" is an Executory Contract that Sellers may, but are not obligated to, reject pursuant Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

(c) Immediately following the Closing, each Executory Contract entered into by Sellers and then in existence that has not previously been designated as an Assumable

Executory Contract, a Rejectable Executory Contract or a Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract, and that has not otherwise been assumed or rejected by Sellers pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, shall be deemed to be an Executory Contract subject to subsequent designation by Purchaser as an Assumable Executory Contract or a Rejectable Executory Contract (each a "Deferred Executory Contract").

All Assumable Executory Contracts shall be assumed and assigned to (d) Purchaser on the date (the "Assumption Effective Date") that is the later of (i) the date designated by the Purchaser and (ii) the date following expiration of the objection deadline if no objection, other than to the Cure Amount, has been timely filed or the date of resolution of any objection unrelated to Cure Amount, as provided in the Sale Procedures Order; provided, however, that in the case of each (A) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, (2) Deferred Termination Agreement (and the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) designated as an Assumable Executory Contract and (3) Participation Agreement (and the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) designated as an Assumable Executory Contract, the Assumption Effective Date shall be the Closing Date and (B) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Assumption Effective Date shall be a date that is no later than the date set forth with respect to such Executory Contract on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. On the Assumption Effective Date for any Assumable Executory Contract, such Assumable Executory Contract shall be deemed to be a Purchased Contract hereunder. If it is determined under the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order that Sellers may not assume and assign to Purchaser any Assumable Executory Contract, such Executory Contract shall cease to be an Assumable Executory Contract and shall be an Excluded Contract and a Rejectable Executory Contract. Except as provided in Section 6.31, notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, any Executory Contract that has not been specifically designated as an Assumable Executory Contract as of the Executory Contract Designation Deadline applicable to such Executory Contract, including any Deferred Executory Contract, shall automatically be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract and an Excluded Contract hereunder. Sellers shall have the right, but not the obligation, to reject, at any time, any Rejectable Executory Contract; provided, however, that Sellers shall not reject any Contract that affects both Owned Real Property and Excluded Real Property (whether designated on **Exhibit F** or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule), including any such Executory Contract that involves the provision of water, water treatment, electric, fuel, gas, telephone and other utilities to any facilities located at the Excluded Real Property, whether designated on **Exhibit F** or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (the "Shared Executory Contracts"), without the prior written consent of Purchaser.

(e) From and after the Closing and during the applicable period specified below, Purchaser shall be obligated to pay or cause to be paid all amounts due in respect of Sellers' performance (i) under each Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract, during the pendency of the applicable Option Period under such Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract, (ii) under each Deferred Executory Contract, for so long as such Contract remains a Deferred Executory Contract, (iii) under each Assumable Executory Contract, as long as such Contract remains an Assumable Executory Contract and (iv) under each GM Assumed Contract, until the applicable Assumption Effective Date. At and after the Closing and until such time as any Shared Executory Contract is either (y) rejected by Sellers pursuant to the provision set forth in this **Section 6.6** or (z) assumed by Sellers and subsequently modified with Purchaser's consent so as to no longer be applicable to the affected Owned Real Property, Purchaser shall reimburse Sellers as and when requested by Sellers for Purchasers' and its Affiliates' allocable share of all costs and expenses incurred under such Shared Executory Contract.

(f) Sellers and Purchaser shall comply with the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order with respect to the assumption and assignment or rejection of any Executory Contract pursuant to, and in accordance with, this **Section 6.6**.

(g) No designation of any Executory Contract for assumption and assignment or rejection in accordance with this **Section 6.6** shall give rise to any right to any adjustment to the Purchase Price.

(h) Without limiting the foregoing, if, following the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, Sellers or Purchaser identify an Executory Contract that has not previously been identified as a Contract for assumption and assignment, and such Contract is important to Purchaser's ability to use or hold the Purchased Assets or operate its businesses in connection therewith, Sellers will assume and assign such Contract and assign it to Purchaser without any adjustment to the Purchase Price; <u>provided</u> that Purchaser consents and agrees at such time to (i) assume such Executory Contract and (ii) and discharge all Cure Amounts in respect hereof.

# Section 6.7 Deferred Termination Agreements; Participation Agreements.

Sellers shall, and shall cause their Affiliates to, use reasonable best efforts (a) to enter into short-term deferred voluntary termination agreements in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit J-1 (in respect of all Saturn Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements), Exhibit J-2 (in respect of all Hummer Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements) and Exhibit J-3 (in respect of all non-Saturn and non-Hummer Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements and all Excluded Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements) that will, when executed by the relevant dealer counterparty thereto, modify the respective Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements and selected Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements (collectively, the "Deferred Termination Agreements"). For the avoidance of doubt, (i) each Deferred Termination Agreement, and the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement modified thereby, will automatically be an Assumable Executory Contract hereunder upon valid execution of such Deferred Termination Agreement by the parties thereto and (ii) all Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements that are not modified by a Deferred Termination Agreement, and all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements that are not modified by either a Deferred Termination Agreement or a Participation Agreement, will automatically be a Rejectable Executory Contract hereunder.

(b) Sellers shall, and shall cause their Affiliates to, use reasonable best efforts to enter into agreements, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit K** that will modify all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements (other than the Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements that are proposed to be modified by Deferred Termination Agreements) (the "Participation Agreements"). For the avoidance of doubt, (i) all Participation Agreements, and the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements, will automatically be Assumable Executory Contracts hereunder upon valid execution of such Participation Agreement and (ii) all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements that are proposed to be modified by a Participation Agreement and are not modified by a Participation Agreement will be offered Deferred Termination Agreements pursuant to **Section 6.7(a)**.

Section 6.8 [Reserved]

Section 6.9 Purchaser Assumed Debt; Wind Down Facility.

(a) Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to agree with Sponsor on the terms of a restructuring of the Purchaser Assumed Debt so as to be assumed by Purchaser immediately prior to the Closing. Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to enter into definitive financing agreements with respect to the Purchaser Assumed Debt so that such agreements are in effect as promptly as practicable but in any event no later than the Closing.

(b) Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to agree with Sponsor on the terms of a restructuring of \$950,000,000 of Indebtedness accrued under the DIP Facility (as restructured, the "<u>Wind Down Facility</u>") to provide for such Wind Down Facility to be non-recourse, to accrue payment-in-kind interest at LIBOR plus 300 basis points, to be secured by all assets of Sellers (other than the Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares, Parent Warrants and any securities received in respect thereof), and to be subject to mandatory repayment from the proceeds of asset sales (other than the sale of Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares, Parent Warrants and any securities received in respect thereof). Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to enter into definitive financing agreements with respect to the Wind Down Facility so that such agreements are in effect as promptly as practicable but in any event no later than the Closing.

Section 6.10 Litigation and Other Assistance. In the event and for so long as any Party is actively contesting or defending against any action, investigation, charge, Claim or demand by a third party in connection with any transaction contemplated by this Agreement, the other Parties shall reasonably cooperate with the contesting or defending Party and its counsel in such contest or defense, make available its personnel and provide such testimony and access to its books, records and other materials as shall be reasonably necessary in connection with the contest or defense, all at the sole cost and expense of the contesting or defending Party; provided, <u>however</u>, that no Party shall be required to provide the contesting or defending party with any access to its books, records or materials if such access would violate the attorney-client privilege or conflict with any confidentiality obligations to which the non-contesting or defending Party is subject. In addition, the Parties agree to cooperate in connection with the making or filing of claims, requests for information, document retrieval and other activities in connection with any

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and all Claims made under insurance policies specified on Section 2.2(b)(xiii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule to the extent any such Claim relates to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability. For the avoidance of doubt, this **Section 6.10** shall not apply to any action, investigation, charge, Claim or demand by any of Sellers or their Affiliates, on the one hand, or Purchaser or any of its Affiliates, on the other hand.

# Section 6.11 Further Assurances.

(a) Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, each of the Parties shall use their reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all actions necessary, proper or advisable to consummate and make effective as promptly as practicable, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement in accordance with the terms hereof and to bring about the satisfaction of all other conditions to the other Parties' obligations hereunder; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that nothing in this Agreement shall obligate Sellers or Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates, to waive or modify any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or any documents contemplated hereby, except as expressly set forth herein. The Parties acknowledge that Sponsor's acquisition of interest is a sovereign act and that no filings should be made by Sponsor or Purchaser in non-United States jurisdictions.

(b) The Parties shall negotiate the forms, terms and conditions of the Ancillary Agreements, to the extent the forms thereof are not attached to this Agreement, on the basis of the respective term sheets attached to this Agreement, in good faith, with such Ancillary Agreements to set forth terms on an Arms-Length Basis and incorporate usual and customary provisions for similar agreements.

(c) Until the Closing, Sellers shall maintain a team of appropriate personnel (each such team, a "<u>Transition Team</u>") to assist Purchaser and its Representatives in connection with Purchaser's efforts to complete prior to the Closing the activities described below. Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to cause the Transition Team to (A) meet with Purchaser and its Representatives on a regular basis at such times as Purchaser may reasonably request and (B) take such action and provide such information, including background and summary information, as Purchaser and its Representatives may reasonably request in connection with the following activities:

(i) evaluation and identification of all Contracts that Purchaser may elect to designate as Purchased Contracts or Excluded Contracts, consistent with its rights under this Agreement;

(ii) evaluation and identification of all assets and entities that Purchaser may elect to designate as Purchased Assets or Excluded Assets, consistent with its rights under this Agreement;

(iii) maintaining and obtaining necessary governmental consents, permits, authorizations, licenses and financial assurance for operation of the business by Purchaser following the Closing;

(iv) obtaining necessary third party consents for operation of the business by Purchaser following the Closing;

(v) implementing the optimal structure for Purchaser and its subsidiaries to acquire and hold the Purchased Assets and operate the business following the Closing;

(vi) implementing the assumption of all Assumed Plans and otherwise satisfying the obligations of Purchaser as provided in **Section 6.17** with respect to Employment Related Obligations; and

(vii) such other transition matters as Purchaser may reasonably determine are necessary for Purchaser to fulfill its obligations and exercise its rights under this Agreement.

# Section 6.12 Notifications.

(a) Sellers shall give written notice to Purchaser as soon as practicable upon becoming aware of any event, circumstance, condition, fact, effect or other matter that resulted in, or that would reasonably be likely to result in (i) any representation or warranty set forth in ARTICLE IV being or becoming untrue or inaccurate in any material respect as of any date on or after the date hereof (as if then made, except to the extent such representation or warranty is expressly made only as of a specific date, in which case, as of such date), (ii) the failure by Sellers to comply with or satisfy in any material respect any covenant, condition or agreement to be complied with or satisfied by Sellers under this Agreement or (iii) a condition to the Closing set forth in Section 7.1 or Section 7.2 becoming incapable of being satisfied; provided, however, that no such notification shall affect or cure a breach of any of Sellers' representations or warranties, a failure to perform any of the covenants or agreements of Sellers or a failure to have satisfied the conditions to the obligations of Sellers under this Agreement. Such notice shall be in form of a certificate signed by an executive officer of Parent setting forth the details of such event and the action which Parent proposes to take with respect thereto.

(b) Purchaser shall give written notice to Sellers as soon as practicable upon becoming aware of any event, circumstance, condition, fact, effect or other matter that resulted in, or that would reasonably be likely to result in (i) any representation or warranty set forth in **ARTICLE V** being or becoming untrue or inaccurate in any material respect with respect to Purchaser as of any date on or after the date hereof (as if then made, except to the extent such representation or warranty is expressly made only as of a specific date, in which case as of such date), (ii) the failure by Purchaser to comply with or satisfy in any material respect any covenant, condition or agreement to be complied with or satisfied by Purchaser under this Agreement or (iii) a condition to the Closing set forth in **Section 7.1** or **Section 7.3** becoming incapable of being satisfied; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no such notification shall affect or cure a breach of any of Purchaser's representations or warranties, a failure to perform any of the covenants or agreements of Purchaser or a failure to have satisfied the conditions to the obligations of Purchaser under this Agreement. Such notice shall be in a form of a certificate signed by

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an executive officer of Purchaser setting forth the details of such event and the action which Purchaser proposes to take with respect thereto.

Section 6.13 Actions by Affiliates. Each of Purchaser and Sellers shall cause their respective controlled Affiliates, and shall use their reasonable best efforts to ensure that each of their respective other Affiliates (other than Sponsor in the case of Purchaser) takes all actions reasonably necessary to be taken by such Affiliate in order to fulfill the obligations of Purchaser or Sellers, as the case may be, under this Agreement.

Section 6.14 Compliance Remediation. Except with respect to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities, prior to the Closing, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to, and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause their Subsidiaries to use their reasonable best efforts to, cure in all material respects any instances of non-compliance with Laws or Orders, failures to possess or maintain Permits or defaults under Permits.

Section 6.15 Product Certification, Recall and Warranty Claims.

(a) From and after the Closing, Purchaser shall comply with the certification, reporting and recall requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act, the Clean Air Act, the California Health and Safety Code and similar Laws, in each case, to the extent applicable in respect of vehicles and vehicle parts manufactured or distributed by Seller.

(b) From and after the Closing, Purchaser shall be responsible for the administration, management and payment of all Liabilities arising under (i) express written warranties of Sellers that are specifically identified as warranties and delivered in connection with the sale of new, certified used or pre-owned vehicles or new or remanufactured motor vehicle parts and equipment (including service parts, accessories, engines and transmissions) manufactured or sold by Sellers or Purchaser prior to or after the Closing and (ii) Lemon Laws. In connection with the foregoing clause (ii), (A) Purchaser shall continue to address Lemon Law Claims using the same procedural mechanisms previously utilized by the applicable Sellers and (B) for avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume Liabilities arising under the law of implied warranty or other analogous provisions of state Law, other than Lemon Laws, that provide consumer remedies in addition to or different from those specified in Sellers' express warranties.

(c) For the avoidance of doubt, Liabilities of the Transferred Entities arising from or in connection with products manufactured or sold by the Transferred Entities remain the responsibility of the Transferred Entities and shall be neither Assumed Liabilities nor Retained Liabilities for the purposes of this Agreement.

# Section 6.16 Tax Matters; Cooperation.

(a) Prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall prepare and timely file (or cause to be prepared and timely filed) all Tax Returns required to be filed prior to such date (taking into account any extension of time to file granted or obtained) that relate to Sellers, the Purchased Subsidiaries and the Purchased Assets in a manner consistent with

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past practices (except as otherwise required by Law), and shall provide Purchaser prompt opportunity for review and comment and shall obtain Purchaser's written approval prior to filing any such Tax Returns. After the Closing Date, at Purchaser's election, Purchaser shall prepare, and the applicable Seller, Seller Subsidiary or Seller Group member shall timely file, any Tax Return relating to any Seller, Seller Subsidiary or Seller Group member for any Pre-Closing Tax Period or Straddle Period due after the Closing Date or other taxable period of any entity that includes the Closing Date, subject to the right of the applicable Seller to review any such material Tax Return. Purchaser shall prepare and file all other Tax Returns required to be filed after the Closing Date in respect of the Purchased Assets. Sellers shall prepare and file all other Tax Returns relating to the Post-Closing Tax Period of Sellers, subject to the prior review and approval of Purchaser, which approval may be withheld, conditioned or delayed with good reason. No Seller or Seller Group member shall be entitled to any payment or other consideration in addition to the Purchase Price with respect to the acquisition or use of any Tax items or attributes by Purchaser, any Purchased Subsidiary or Affiliates thereof. At Purchaser's request, any Seller or Seller Group member shall designate Purchaser or any of its Affiliates as a substitute agent for the Seller Group for Tax purposes. Purchaser shall be entitled to make all determinations, including the right to make or cause to be made any elections with respect to Taxes and Tax Returns of Sellers, Seller Subsidiaries, Seller Groups and Seller Group members with respect to Pre-Closing Tax Periods and Straddle Periods and with respect to the Tax consequences of the Relevant Transactions (including the treatment of such transactions as an Agreed G Transaction) and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including (i) the "date of distribution or transfer" for purposes of Section 381(b) of the Tax Code, if applicable; (ii) the relevant Tax periods and members of the Seller Group and the Purchaser and its Affiliates; (iii) whether the Purchaser and/or any of its Affiliates shall be treated as a continuation of Seller Group; and (iv) any other determinations required under Section 381 of the Tax Code. Purchaser shall have the sole right to represent the interests, as applicable, of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary in any Tax proceeding in connection with any Tax Liability or any Tax item for any Pre-Closing Tax Period, Straddle Period or other Tax period affecting any such earlier Tax period. After the Closing, Purchaser shall have the right to assume control of any PLR or CA request filed by Sellers or any Affiliate thereof, including the right to represent Sellers and their Affiliates and to direct all professionals acting on their behalf in connection with such request, and no settlement, concession, compromise, commitment or other agreements in respect of such PLR or CA request shall be made without Purchaser's prior written consent.

(b) All Taxes required to be paid by any Seller or Seller Group member for any Pre-Closing Tax Period or any Straddle Period shall be timely paid. To the extent a Party hereto is liable for a Tax pursuant to this Agreement and such Tax is paid or payable by another Party or such other Party's Affiliates, the Party liable for such Tax shall make payment in the amount of such Tax to the other Party no later than three (3) days prior to the due date for payment of such Tax, unless a later time for payment is agreed to in writing by such other Party. To the extent that any Seller or Seller Group member receives or realizes the benefit of any Tax refund, abatement or credit that is a Purchased Asset, such Seller or Seller Group member receiving the benefit shall transfer

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an amount equal to such refund, abatement or credit to Purchaser within fourteen (14) days of receipt or realization of the benefit.

(c) Purchaser and Sellers shall provide each other with such assistance and non-privileged information relating to the Purchased Assets as may reasonably be requested in connection with any Tax matter, including the matters contemplated by this **Section 6.16**, the preparation of any Tax Return or the performance of any audit, examination or other proceeding by any Taxing Authority, whether conducted in a judicial or administrative forum. Purchaser and Sellers shall retain and provide to each other all non-privileged records and other information reasonably requested by the other and that may be relevant to any such Tax Return, audit, examination or other proceeding.

(d) After the Closing, at Purchaser's election, Purchaser shall exercise exclusive control over the handling, disposition and settlement of any inquiry, examination or proceeding (including an audit) by a Governmental Authority (or that portion of any inquiry, examination or proceeding by a Governmental Authority) with respect to Sellers, any Subsidiary of Sellers or any Seller Group, <u>provided</u> that to the extent any such inquiry, examination or proceeding by a Governmental Authority could materially affect the Taxes due or payable by Sellers, Purchaser shall control the handling, disposition and settlement thereof, subject to reasonable consultation rights of Sellers. Each Party shall notify the other Party (or Parties) in writing promptly upon learning of any such inquiry, examination or proceeding. The Parties and their Affiliates shall cooperate with each other in any such inquiry, examination or proceeding as a Party may reasonably request. Neither Parent nor any of its Affiliates shall extend, without Purchaser's prior written consent, the statute of limitations for any Tax for which Purchaser or any of its Affiliates may be liable.

(e) Notwithstanding anything contained herein, Purchaser shall prepare and Sellers shall timely file all Tax Returns required to be filed in connection with the payment of Transfer Taxes.

(f) From the date of this Agreement to and including the Closing Date, except to the extent relating solely to an Excluded Asset or Retained Liability, no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary shall, without the prior written consent of Purchaser (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, and shall not be withheld if not resulting in any Tax impact on Purchaser or any Purchased Asset), (i) make, change, or terminate any material election with respect to Taxes (including elections with respect to the use of Tax accounting methods) of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary or any material joint venture to which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is a party, (ii) settle or compromise any Claim or assessment for Taxes (including refunds) that could be reasonably expected to result in any adverse consequence on Purchaser or any Purchased Asset following the Closing Date, (iii) agree to an extension of the statute of limitations with respect to the assessment or collection of the Taxes of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary or any material joint venture of which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is a party or (iv) make or surrender any Claim for a refund of a material amount of the Taxes of any of Sellers or Purchased Subsidiaries or file an amended Tax Return with respect to a material amount of Taxes.

(g)

Purchaser shall treat the transactions with respect to Parent (i) described herein, in combination with the subsequent liquidation of Sellers (such transactions, collectively, the "Relevant Transactions"), as a reorganization pursuant to Section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Tax Code with any actual or deemed distribution by Parent qualifying solely under Sections 354 and 356 of the Tax Code but not under Section 355 of the Tax Code (a "G Transaction") if (x) the IRS issues a private letter ruling ("PLR") or executes a closing agreement ("CA"), in each case reasonably acceptable to Purchaser, confirming that the Relevant Transactions shall qualify as a G Transaction for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, or (y) Purchaser determines to treat the Relevant Transactions as so qualifying (clause (x) or (y), an "Agreed G Transaction"). In connection with the foregoing, Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain a PLR or execute a CA with respect to the Relevant Transactions at least seven (7) days prior to the Closing Date. At least three (3) days prior to the Closing Date, Purchaser shall advise Parent in writing as to whether Purchaser has made a determination regarding the treatment of the Relevant Transactions for U.S. federal income Tax purposes and, if applicable, the outcome of any such determination.

(ii) On or prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall deliver to Purchaser all information in the possession of Sellers and their Affiliates that is reasonably related to the determination of whether the Relevant Transactions constitute an Agreed G Transaction ("<u>Relevant Information</u>"), and, after the Closing, Sellers shall promptly provide to Purchaser any newly produced or obtained Relevant Information. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties shall cooperate in taking any actions and providing any information that Purchaser determines is necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the intended U.S. federal income Tax treatment of the Relevant Transactions and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(iii) If Purchaser has not determined as of the Closing Date whether to treat the Relevant Transactions as an Agreed G Transaction, Purchaser shall make such determination in accordance with this **Section 6.16** prior to the due date (including validly obtained extensions) for filing the corporate income Tax Return for Parent's U.S. affiliated group (as defined in Section 1504 of the Tax Code) for the taxable year in which the Closing Date occurs, and shall convey such decision in writing to Parent, which decision shall be binding on Parent.

(iv) If the Relevant Transactions constitute an Agreed G Transaction under this **Section 6.16**: (A) Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts, and Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to assist Sellers, to effectuate such treatment and the Parties shall not take any action or position inconsistent with, or

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fail to take any necessary action in furtherance of, such treatment (subject to Section 6.16(g)(vi)); (B) the Parties agree that this Agreement shall constitute a "plan" of Parent and Purchaser for purposes of Sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code; (C) the board of directors of Parent and Purchaser shall, by resolution, approve the execution of this Agreement and expressly recognize its treatment as a "plan" of Parent and Purchaser for purposes of Sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code, and the treatment of the Relevant Transactions as a G Transaction for federal income Tax purposes; (D) Sellers shall provide Purchaser with a statement setting forth the adjusted Tax basis of the Purchased Assets and the amount of net operating losses and other material Tax attributes of Sellers and any Purchased Subsidiary that are available as of the Closing Date and after the close of any taxable year of any Seller or Seller Group member that impacts the numbers previously provided, all based on the best information available, but with no Liability for any errors or omissions in information; and (E) Sellers shall provide Purchaser with an estimate of the cancellation of Indebtedness income that Sellers and any Seller Group member anticipate realizing for the taxable year that includes the Closing Date, and shall provide revised numbers after the close of any taxable year of any Seller or Seller Group member that impacts this number.

(v) If the Relevant Transactions do not constitute an Agreed G Transaction under this **Section 6.16**, the Parties hereby agree, and Sellers hereby consent, to treat the sale of the Purchased Assets by Parent as a taxable asset sale for all Tax purposes, to make any elections pursuant to Section 338 of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of **Section 3.3**. In addition, the Parties hereby agree, and Sellers hereby consent, to treat the sales of the Purchased Assets by S Distribution and Harlem as taxable asset sales for all Tax purposes, to make any elections pursuant to Section 338 of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of **Section 3.3**.

(vi) No Party shall take any position with respect to the Relevant Transactions that is inconsistent with the position determined in accordance with this **Section 6.16**, unless, and then only to the extent, otherwise required to do so by a Final Determination.

(vii) Each Seller shall liquidate, as determined for U.S. federal income Tax purposes and to the satisfaction of Purchaser, no later than December 31, 2011, and each such liquidation may include a distribution of assets to a "liquidating trust" within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 301.7701-4, the terms of which shall be satisfactory to Purchaser.

(viii) Effective no later than the Closing Date, Purchaser shall be treated as a corporation for federal income Tax purposes.

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#### Section 6.17 Employees; Benefit Plans; Labor Matters.

Transferred Employees. Effective as of the Closing Date, Purchaser or (a) one of its Affiliates shall make an offer of employment to each Applicable Employee. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary and except as provided in an individual employment Contract with any Applicable Employee or as required by the terms of an Assumed Plan, offers of employment to Applicable Employees whose employment rights are subject to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement as of the Closing Date, shall be made in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and Purchaser's obligations under the Labor Management Relations Act of 1974, as amended. Each offer of employment to an Applicable Employee who is not covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement shall provide, until at least the first anniversary of the Closing Date, for (i) base salary or hourly wage rates initially at least equal to such Applicable Employee's base salary or hourly wage rate in effect as of immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) employee pension and welfare benefits, Contracts and arrangements that are not less favorable in the aggregate than those listed on Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, but not including any Retained Plan, equity or equity-based compensation plans or any Benefit Plan that does not comply in all respects with TARP. For the avoidance of doubt, each Applicable Employee on layoff status, leave status or with recall rights as of the Closing Date, shall continue in such status and/or retain such rights after Closing in the Ordinary Course of Business. Each Applicable Employee who accepts employment with Purchaser or one of its Affiliates and commences working for Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall become a "Transferred Employee." To the extent such offer of employment by Purchaser or its Affiliates is not accepted, Sellers shall, as soon as practicable following the Closing Date, terminate the employment of all such Applicable Employees. Nothing in this Section 6.17(a) shall prohibit Purchaser or any of its Affiliates from terminating the employment of any Transferred Employee after the Closing Date, subject to the terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. It is understood that the intent of this Section 6.17(a) is to provide a seamless transition from Sellers to Purchaser of any Applicable Employee subject to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. Except for Applicable Employees with nonstandard individual agreements providing for severance benefits, until at least the first anniversary of the Closing Date, Purchaser further agrees and acknowledges that it shall provide to each Transferred Employee who is not covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and whose employment is involuntarily terminated by Purchaser or its Affiliates on or prior to the first anniversary of the Closing Date, severance benefits that are not less favorable than the severance benefits such Transferred Employee would have received under the applicable Benefit Plans listed on Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall take all actions necessary such that Transferred Employees shall be credited for their actual and credited service with Sellers and each of their respective Affiliates, for purposes of eligibility, vesting and benefit accrual (except in the case of a defined benefit pension plan sponsored by Purchaser or any of its Affiliates in which Transferred Employees may commence participation after the Closing that is not an Assumed Plan), in any employee benefit plans (excluding equity compensation plans or programs) covering Transferred Employees after the Closing to the same extent as such Transferred Employee was

entitled as of immediately prior to the Closing Date to credit for such service under any similar employee benefit plans, programs or arrangements of any of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such crediting of service shall not operate to duplicate any benefit to any such Transferred Employee or the funding for any such benefit. Such benefits shall not be subject to any exclusion for any pre-existing conditions to the extent such conditions were satisfied by such Transferred Employees under a Parent Employee Benefit Plan as of the Closing Date, and credit shall be provided for any deductible or out-of-pocket amounts paid by such Transferred Employee during the plan year in which the Closing Date occurs.

(b) *Employees of Purchased Subsidiaries.* As of the Closing Date, those employees of Purchased Subsidiaries who participate in the Assumed Plans, may, subject to the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement, for all purposes continue to participate in such Assumed Plans, in accordance with their terms in effect from time to time. For the avoidance of any doubt, Purchaser shall continue the employment of any current Employee of any Purchased Subsidiary covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect immediately prior to the Closing Date, subject to its terms; provided, <u>however</u>, that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to terminate the coverage of any UAW-represented Employee in an Assumed Plan if such Employee was a participant in the Assumed Plan immediately prior to the Closing Date. Further provided, that nothing in this Agreement shall create a direct employment relationship between Parent or Purchaser and an Employee of a Purchased Subsidiary or an Affiliate of Parent.

(c) No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing contained herein, express or implied, (i) is intended to confer or shall confer upon any Employee or Transferred Employee any right to employment or continued employment for any period of time by reason of this Agreement, or any right to a particular term or condition of employment, (ii) except as set forth in **Section 9.11**, is intended to confer or shall confer upon any individual or any legal Representative of any individual (including employees, retirees, or dependents or beneficiaries of employees or retirees and including collective bargaining agents or representatives) any right as a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement or (iii) shall be deemed to confer upon any such individual or legal Representative any rights under or with respect to any plan, program or arrangement described in or contemplated by this Agreement, and each such individual or legal Representative shall be entitled to look only to the express terms of any such plans, program or arrangement for his or her rights thereunder. Nothing herein is intended to override the terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement.

(d) *Plan Authority.* Nothing contained herein, express or implied, shall prohibit Purchaser or its Affiliates, as applicable, from, subject to applicable Law and the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, adding, deleting or changing providers of benefits, changing, increasing or decreasing co-payments, deductibles or other requirements for coverage or benefits (e.g., utilization review or pre-certification requirements), and/or making other changes in the administration or in the design, coverage and benefits provided to such Transferred Employees. Without reducing the obligations of Purchaser as set forth in **Section 6.17(a)**, no provision of this Agreement

shall be construed as a limitation on the right of Purchaser or its Affiliates, as applicable, to suspend, amend, modify or terminate any employee benefit plan, subject to the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. Further, (i) no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as an amendment to any employee benefit plan, and (ii) no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as limiting Purchaser's or its Affiliate's, as applicable, discretion and authority to interpret the respective employee benefit and compensation plans, agreements arrangements, and programs, in accordance with their terms and applicable Law.

Assumption of Certain Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies. As of (e) the Closing Date, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall assume (i) the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies set forth on Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as modified thereon, and all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto, except for any that do not comply in all respects with TARP or as otherwise provided in Section 6.17(h) and (ii) all employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements (whether written or oral) in which Employees who are covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement participate and all assets, trusts, insurance and other Contracts relating thereto (the "Assumed Plans"), for the benefit of the Transferred Employees and Sellers and Purchaser shall cooperate with each other to take all actions and execute and deliver all documents and furnish all notices necessary to establish Purchaser or one of its Affiliates as the sponsor of such Assumed Plans including all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto. Other than with respect to any Employee who was or is covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, Purchaser shall have no Liability with respect to any modifications or changes to Benefit Plans contemplated by Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, or changes made by Parent prior to the Closing Date, and Purchaser shall not assume any Liability with respect to any such decisions or actions related thereto, and Purchaser shall only assume the Liabilities for benefits provided pursuant to the written terms and conditions of the Assumed Plan as of the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the assumption of the Assumed Plans is subject to Purchaser taking all necessary action, including reduction of benefits, to ensure that the Assumed Plans comply in all respects with TARP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, but subject to the terms of any Collective Bargaining Agreement to which Purchaser or one of its Affiliates is a party, Purchaser and its Affiliates may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend or terminate any such Assumed Plan at any time in accordance with its terms.

(f) UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. Parent shall assume and assign to Purchaser, as of the Closing, the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and all rights and Liabilities of Parent relating thereto (including Liabilities for wages, benefits and other compensation, unfair labor practices, grievances, arbitrations and contractual obligations). With respect to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, Purchaser agrees to (i) recognize the UAW as the exclusive collective bargaining representative for the Transferred Employees covered by the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, (ii) offer employment to all Applicable Employees covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement with full recognition of all seniority rights, (iii) negotiate with the UAW over the terms of any successor collective bargaining agreement upon the expiration of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and upon timely demand by the UAW, (iv) with the agreement of the UAW or otherwise as provided by Law and to the extent necessary, adopt or assume or replace, effective as of the Closing Date, employee benefit plans, policies, programs, agreements and arrangements specified in or covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement as required to be provided to the Transferred Employees covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, and (v) otherwise abide by all terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of this **Section 6.17(f)** are not intended to (A) give, and shall not be construed as giving, the UAW or any Transferred Employee any enhanced or additional rights or (B) otherwise restrict the rights that Purchaser and its Affiliates have, under the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement.

(g) *UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement*. Prior to the Closing, Purchaser and the UAW shall have entered into the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement.

Assumption of Existing Internal VEBA. Purchaser or one of its Affiliates (h) shall, effective as of the Closing Date, assume from Sellers the sponsorship of the voluntary employees' beneficiary association trust between Sellers and State Street Bank and Trust Company dated as of December 17, 1997, that is funded and maintained by Sellers ("Existing Internal VEBA") and, in connection therewith, Purchaser shall, or shall cause one of its Affiliates to, (i) succeed to all of the rights, title and interest (including the rights of Sellers, if any) as plan sponsor, plan administrator or employer) under the Existing Internal VEBA, (ii) assume any responsibility or Liability relating to the Existing Internal VEBA and each Contract established thereunder or relating thereto, and (iii) to operate the Existing Internal VEBA in accordance with, and to otherwise comply with the Purchaser's obligations under, the New UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement between Purchaser and the UAW, effective as of the Closing and subject to approval by a court having jurisdiction over this matter, including the obligation to direct the trustee of the Existing Internal VEBA to transfer the UAW's share of assets in the Existing Internal The Parties shall cooperate in the execution of any VEBA to the New VEBA. documents, the adoption of any corporate resolutions or the taking of any other reasonable actions to effectuate such succession of the settlor rights, title, and interest with respect to the Existing Internal VEBA. For avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume any Liabilities relating to the Existing Internal VEBA except with respect to such Contracts set forth in Section 6.17(h) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

(i) *Wage and Tax Reporting.* Sellers and Purchaser agree to apply, and cause their Affiliates to apply, the standard procedure for successor employers set forth in Revenue Procedure 2004-53 for wage and employment Tax reporting.

(j) *Non-solicitation*. Sellers shall not, for a period of two (2) years from the Closing Date, without Purchaser's written consent, solicit, offer employment to or hire any Transferred Employee.

(k) *Cooperation.* Purchaser and Sellers shall provide each other with such records and information as may be reasonably necessary, appropriate and permitted under applicable Law to carry out their obligations under this **Section 6.17**; provided, that all

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records, information systems data bases, computer programs, data rooms and data related to any Assumed Plan or Liabilities of such, assumed by Purchaser, shall be transferred to Purchaser.

(1) Union Notifications. Purchaser and Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with each other in connection with any notification required by Law to, or any required consultation with, or the provision of documents and information to, the employees, employee representatives, the UAW and relevant Governmental Authorities and governmental officials concerning the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including any notice to any of Sellers' retired Employees represented by the UAW, describing the transactions contemplated herein.

# (m) Union-Represented Employees (Non-UAW).

Effective as of the Closing Date, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates (i) shall assume the collective bargaining agreements, as amended, set forth on Section 6.17(m)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (collectively, the "Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements") and make offers of employment to each current employee of Parent who is covered by them in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of such Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements, such assumption and offers conditioned upon (A) the non-UAW represented employees' ratification of the amendments thereto (including termination of the application of the Supplemental Agreements Covering Health Care Program to retirees and the reduction to retiree life insurance coverage) and (B) Bankruptcy Court approval of Settlement Agreements between Purchaser and such Unions and Proposed Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Retiree Health Care and Life Insurance between Sellers and such Unions, as identified on Section 6.17(m)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and satisfaction of all conditions stated therein. Each such non-UAW hourly employee on layoff status, leave status or with recall rights as of the Closing Date shall continue in such status and/or retain such rights after the Closing in the Ordinary Course of Business, subject to the terms of the applicable Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Other than as set forth in this Section 6.17(m), no non-UAW Agreement. collective bargaining agreement shall be assumed by Purchaser.

(ii) Section 6.17(m)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth agreements relating to post-retirement health care and life insurance coverage for non-UAW retired employees (the "<u>Non-UAW Settlement Agreements</u>"), including those agreements covering retirees who once belonged to Unions that no longer have any active employees at Sellers. Conditioned on both the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and the non-UAW represented employees' ratification of the amendments to the applicable Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement providing for such coverage as described in **Section 6.17(m)(i)** above, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall assume and enter into the agreements identified on Section 6.17(m)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Except as set forth in those agreements identified on Section 6.17(m)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure and Schedule.

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post-retirement health care or life insurance coverage for current or future hourly non-UAW retirees.

(iii) Other than as expressly set forth in this **Section 6.17(m)**, Purchaser assumes no Employment-Related Obligations for non-UAW hourly Employees. For the avoidance of doubt, (A) the provisions of **Section 6.17(f)** shall not apply to this **Section 6.17(m)** and (B) the provisions of this **Section 6.17(m)** are not intended to (y) give, and shall not be construed as giving, any non-UAW Union or the covered employee or retiree of any Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement any enhanced or additional rights or (z) otherwise restrict the rights that Purchaser and its Affiliates have under the terms of the Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements identified on Section 6.17(m)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

Section 6.18 TARP. From and after the date hereof and until such time as all amounts under the UST Credit Facilities have been paid in full, forgiven or otherwise extinguished or such longer period as may be required by Law, subject to any applicable Order of the Bankruptcy Court, each of Sellers and Purchaser shall, and shall cause each of their respective Subsidiaries to, take all necessary action to ensure that it complies in all material respects with TARP or any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Sellers and Sponsor prior to the Closing.

Section 6.19 Guarantees; Letters of Credit. Purchaser shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause Purchaser or one or more of its Subsidiaries to be substituted in all respects for each Seller and Excluded Entity, effective as of the Closing Date, in respect of all Liabilities of each Seller and Excluded Entity under each of the guarantees, letters of credit, letters of comfort, bid bonds and performance bonds (a) obtained by any Seller or Excluded Entity for the benefit of the business of Sellers and their Subsidiaries and (b) which is assumed by Purchaser as an Assumed Liability. As a result of such substitution, each Seller and Excluded Entity shall be released of its obligations of, and shall have no Liability following the Closing from, or in connection with any such guarantees, letters of credit, letters of comfort, bid bonds and performance bonds.

Section 6.20 Customs Duties. Purchaser shall reimburse Sellers for all customsrelated duties, fees and associated costs incurred by Sellers on behalf of Purchaser with respect to periods following the Closing, including all such duties, fees and costs incurred in connection with co-loaded containers that clear customs intentionally or unintentionally under any Seller's importer or exporter identification numbers and bonds or guarantees with respect to periods following the Closing.

Section 6.21 Termination of Intellectual Property Rights. Each Seller agrees that any rights of any Seller, including any rights arising under Contracts, if any, to any and all of the Intellectual Property transferred to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement (including indirect transfers resulting from the transfer of the Transferred Equity Interests and including transfers resulting from this Section 6.21), whether owned or licensed, shall terminate as of the Closing. Before and after the Closing, each Seller agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Retained Subsidiaries to do the following, but only to the extent that such Seller can do so

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without incurring any Liabilities to such Retained Subsidiaries or their equity owners or creditors as a result thereof: (a) enter into a written Contract with Purchaser that expressly terminates any rights of such Retained Subsidiaries, including any rights arising under Contracts, if any, to any and all of the Intellectual Property transferred to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement (including indirect transfers resulting from the transfer of the Transferred Equity Interests), whether owned or licensed; and (b) assign to Purchaser or its designee(s): (i) all domestic and foreign trademarks, service marks, collective marks, certification marks, trade dress, trade names, business names, d/b/a's, Internet domain names, designs, logos and other source or business identifiers and all general intangibles of like nature, now or hereafter owned, adopted, used, acquired, or licensed by any Seller, all applications, registrations and recordings thereof (including applications, registrations and recordings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any state thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof), and all reissues, extensions or renewals thereof, together with all goodwill of the business symbolized by or associated with such marks, in each case, that are owned by such Retained Subsidiaries and that contain or are confusingly similar with (whether in whole or in part) any of the Trademarks; and (ii) all other intellectual property owned by such Retained Subsidiaries. Nothing in this Section 6.21 shall preserve any rights of Sellers or the Retained Subsidiaries, or any third parties, that are otherwise terminated or extinguished pursuant to this Agreement or applicable Law, and nothing in this Section 6.21 shall create any rights of Sellers or the Retained Subsidiaries, or any third parties, that do not already exist as of the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 6.21, Sellers may enter into (and may cause or permit any of the Purchased Subsidiaries to enter into) any of the transactions contemplated by Section 6.2 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

# Section 6.22 Trademarks.

(a) At or before the Closing (i) Parent shall take any and all actions that are reasonably necessary to change the corporate name of Parent to a new name that bears no resemblance to Parent's present corporate name and that does not contain, and is not confusingly similar with, any of the Trademarks; and (ii) to the extent that the corporate name of any Seller (other than Parent) or any Retained Subsidiary resembles Parent's present corporate name or contains or is confusingly similar with any of the Trademarks, Sellers (including Parent) shall take any and all actions that are reasonably necessary to change such corporate names to new names that bear no resemblance to Parent's present corporate name, and that do not contain and are not confusingly similar with any of the Trademarks.

(b) As promptly as practicable following the Closing, but in no event later than ninety (90) days after the Closing (except as set forth in this **Section 6.22(b)**), Sellers shall cease, and shall cause the Retained Subsidiaries to cease, using the Trademarks in any form, whether by removing, permanently obliterating, covering, or otherwise eliminating all Trademarks that appear on any of their assets, including all signs, promotional or advertising literature, labels, stationery, business cards, office forms and packaging materials. During such time period, Sellers and the Retained Subsidiaries may continue to use Trademarks in a manner consistent with their usage of the Trademarks as of immediately prior to the Closing, but only to the extent reasonably necessary for them to continue their operations as contemplated by the Parties as of the Closing. If requested by Purchaser within a reasonable time after the Closing, Sellers and Retained Subsidiaries shall enter into a written agreement that specifies quality control of such Trademarks and their underlying goods and services. For signs and the like that exist as of the Closing on the Excluded Real Property, if it is not reasonably practicable for Sellers or the Retained Subsidiaries to remove, permanently obliterate, cover or otherwise eliminate the Trademarks from such signs and the like within the time period specified above, then Sellers and the Retained Subsidiaries shall do so as soon as practicable following such time period, but in no event later than one-hundred eighty (180) days following the Closing.

(c) From and after the date of this Agreement and, until the earlier of the Closing or termination of this Agreement, each Seller shall use its reasonable best efforts to protect and maintain the Intellectual Property owned by Sellers that is material to the conduct of its business in a manner that is consistent with the value of such Intellectual Property.

(d) At or prior to the Closing, Sellers shall provide a true, correct and complete list setting forth all worldwide patents, patent applications, trademark registrations and applications and copyright registrations and applications included in the Intellectual Property owned by Sellers.

Section 6.23 Preservation of Records. The Parties shall preserve and keep all books and records that they own immediately after the Closing relating to the Purchased Assets, the Assumed Liabilities and Sellers' operation of the business related thereto prior to the Closing for a period of six (6) years following the Closing Date or for such longer period as may be required by applicable Law, unless disposed of in good faith pursuant to a document retention policy. During such retention period, duly authorized Representatives of a Party shall, upon reasonable notice, have reasonable access during normal business hours to examine, inspect and copy such books and records held by the other Parties for any proper purpose, except as may be prohibited by Law or by the terms of any Contract (including any confidentiality agreement); provided that to the extent that disclosing any such information would reasonably be expected to constitute a waiver of attorney-client, work product or other legal privilege with respect thereto, the Parties shall take all reasonable best efforts to permit such disclosure without the waiver of any such privilege, including entering into an appropriate joint defense agreement in connection with affording access to such information. The access provided pursuant to this Section 6.23 shall be subject to such additional confidentiality provisions as the disclosing Party may reasonably deem necessary.

Section 6.24 Confidentiality. During the Confidentiality Period, Sellers and their Affiliates shall treat all trade secrets and all other proprietary, legally privileged or sensitive information related to the Transferred Entities, the Purchased Assets and/or the Assumed Liabilities (collectively, the "<u>Confidential Information</u>"), whether furnished before or after the Closing, whether documentary, electronic or oral, labeled or otherwise identified as confidential, and regardless of the form of communication or the manner in which it is or was furnished, as confidential, preserve the confidentiality thereof, not use or disclose to any Person such Confidential Information and instruct their Representatives who have had access to such information to keep confidential such Confidential Information. The "<u>Confidentiality Period</u>"

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shall be a period commencing on the date of the Original Agreement and (a) with respect to a trade secret, continuing for as long as it remains a trade secret and (b) for all other Confidential Information, ending four (4) years from the Closing Date. Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include any information that (i) is now available to or is hereafter disclosed in a manner making it available to the general public, in each case, through no act or omission of Sellers, any of their Affiliates or any of their Representatives, or (ii) is required by Law to be disclosed, including any applicable requirements of the SEC or any other Governmental Authority responsible for securities Law regulation and compliance or any stock market or stock exchange on which any Seller's securities are listed.

Section 6.25 Privacy Policies. At or prior to the Closing, Purchaser shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, establish Privacy Policies that are substantially similar to the Privacy Policies of Parent and the Purchased Subsidiaries as of immediately prior to the Closing, and Purchaser or its Affiliates, as applicable, shall honor all "opt-out" requests or preferences made by individuals in accordance with the Privacy Policies of Parent and the Purchased Subsidiaries and applicable Law; <u>provided</u> that such Privacy Policies and any related "opt-out" requests or preferences are delivered or otherwise made available to Purchaser prior to the Closing, to the extent not publicly available.

Section 6.26 Supplements to Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. At any time and from time to time prior to the Closing, Sellers shall have the right to supplement, modify or update Section 4.1 through Section 4.22 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (a) to reflect changes and developments that have arisen after the date of the Original Agreement and that, if they existed prior to the date of the Original Agreement, would have been required to be set forth on such Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or (b) as may be necessary to correct any disclosures contained in such Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or in any representation and warranty of Sellers that has been rendered inaccurate by such changes or developments. No supplement, modification or amendment to Section 4.1 through Section 4.22 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall without the prior written consent of Purchaser, (i) cure any inaccuracy of any representation and warranty made in this Agreement by Sellers or (ii) give rise to Purchaser's right to terminate this Agreement unless and until this Agreement shall be terminable by Purchaser in accordance with **Section 8.1(f)**.

# Section 6.27 Real Property Matters.

(a) Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that certain real properties (the "<u>Subdivision Properties</u>") may need to be subdivided or otherwise legally partitioned in accordance with applicable Law (a "<u>Required Subdivision</u>") so as to permit the affected Owned Real Property to be conveyed to Purchaser separate and apart from adjacent Excluded Real Property. Section 6.27 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule contains a list of the Subdivision Properties that was determined based on the current list of Excluded Real Property. Section 6.27 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule may be updated at any time prior to the Closing to either (i) add additional Subdivision Properties or (ii) remove any Subdivision Properties, which have been determined to not require a Required Subdivision or for which a Required Subdivision has been obtained. Purchaser shall pay for all costs incurred to complete all Required Subdivisions. Sellers shall cooperate in good faith with Purchaser in connection with the completion with all Required

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Subdivisions, including executing all required applications or other similar documents with Governmental Authorities. To the extent that any Required Subdivision for a Subdivision Property is not completed prior to Closing, then at Closing, Sellers shall lease to Purchaser only that portion of such Subdivision Property that constitutes Owned Real Property pursuant to the Master Lease Agreement (Subdivision Master Lease"). Upon completion of a Required Subdivision affecting an Owned Real Property that is subject to the Subdivision Master Lease, the Subdivision Master Lease shall be terminated as to such Owned Real Property and such Owned Real Property shall be conveyed to Purchaser by Quitclaim Deed for One Dollar (\$1.00) in stated consideration.

Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that the Saginaw Nodular Iron facility (b) in Saginaw, Michigan (the "Saginaw Nodular Iron Land") contains a wastewater treatment facility (the "Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility") and a landfill (the "Saginaw Landfill") that currently serve the Owned Real Property commonly known as the GMPT - Saginaw Metal Casting facility (the "Saginaw Metal Casting Land"). The Saginaw Nodular Iron Land has been designated as an Excluded Real Property under Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. At the Closing (or within sixty (60) days after the Closing with respect to the Saginaw Landfill), Sellers shall enter into one or more service agreements with one or more third party contractors (collectively, the "Saginaw Service Contracts") to operate the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility and the Saginaw Landfill for the benefit of the Saginaw Metal Casting Land. The terms and conditions of the Saginaw Service Contracts shall be mutually acceptable to Purchaser and Sellers; provided that the term of each Saginaw Service Contract shall not extend beyond December 31, 2012, and Purchaser shall have the right to terminate any Saginaw Service Contract upon prior written notice of not less than forty-five (45) days. At any time during the term of the Saginaw Service Contracts, Purchaser may elect to purchase the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility, the Saginaw Landfill, or both, for One Dollar (\$1.00) in stated consideration; provided that (i) Purchaser shall pay all costs and fees related to such purchase, including the costs of completing any Required Subdivision necessary to effectuate the terms of this Section 6.27(b), (ii) Sellers shall convey title to the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility, the Saginaw Landfill and/or such other portion of the Saginaw Nodular Iron Land as is required by Purchaser to operate the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility and/or the Saginaw Landfill, including lagoons, but not any other portion of the Saginaw Nodular Iron Land, to Purchaser by quitclaim deed and (iii) Sellers shall grant Purchaser such easements for utilities over the portion of the Saginaw Nodular Iron Land retained by Sellers as may be required to operate the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility and/or the Saginaw Landfill.

(c) Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that access to certain Excluded Real Property owned by Sellers or other real properties owned by Excluded Entities and certain Owned Real Property that may hereafter be designated as Excluded Real Property on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (a "Landlocked Parcel") is provided over land that is part of the Owned Real Property. To the extent that direct access to a public right-of-way is not obtained for any Landlocked Parcel by the Closing, then at Closing, Purchaser, in its sole election, shall for each such Landlocked Parcel either (i) grant an access easement over a mutually agreeable portion of the adjacent

Owned Real Property for the benefit of the Landlocked Parcel until such time as the Landlocked Parcel obtains direct access to the public right-of-way, pursuant to the terms of a mutually acceptable easement agreement, or (ii) convey to the owner of the affected Landlocked Parcel by quitclaim deed such portion of the adjacent Owned Real Property as is required to provide the Landlocked Parcel with direct access to a public right-of-way.

(d) At and after Closing, Sellers and Purchasers shall cooperate in good faith to investigate and resolve all issues reasonably related to or arising in connection with Shared Executory Contracts that involve the provision of water, water treatment, electricity, fuel, gas, telephone and other utilities to both Owned Real Property and Excluded Real Property.

(e) Parent shall use reasonable best efforts to cause the Willow Run Landlord to execute, within thirty (30) days after the Closing, or at such later date as may be mutually agreed upon, an amendment to the Willow Run Lease which extends the term of the Willow Run Lease until December 31, 2010 with three (3) one-month options to extend, all at the current rental rate under the Willow Run Lease (the "<u>Willow Run Lease</u> <u>Amendment</u>"). In the event that the Willow Run Lease Amendment is approved and executed by the Willow Run Landlord, then Purchaser shall designate the Willow Run Lease as an Assumable Executory Contract and Parent and Purchaser, or one of its designated Subsidiaries, shall enter into an assignment and assumption of the Willow Run Lease").

*Section 6.28 Equity Incentive Plans.* Within a reasonable period of time following the Closing, Purchaser, through its board of directors, will adopt equity incentive plans to be maintained by Purchaser for the benefit of officers, directors, and employees of Purchaser that will provide the opportunity for equity incentive benefits for such persons ("Equity Incentive Plans").

Section 6.29 Purchase of Personal Property Subject to Executory Contracts. With respect to any Personal Property subject to an Executory Contract that is nominally an unexpired lease of Personal Property, if (a) such Contract is recharacterized by a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court as a secured financing or (b) Purchaser, Sellers and the counterparty to such Contract agree, then Purchaser shall have the option to purchase such personal property by paying to the applicable Seller for the benefit of the counterparty to such Contract an amount equal to the amount, as applicable (i) of such counterparty's allowed secured Claim arising in connection with the recharacterization of such Contract as determined by such Order or (ii) agreed to by Purchaser, Sellers and such counterparty.

Section 6.30 Transfer of Riverfront Holdings, Inc. Equity Interests or Purchased Assets; Ren Cen Lease. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, in lieu of or in addition to the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interest in Riverfront Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>RHI</u>"), Purchaser shall have the right at the Closing or at any time during the RHI Post-Closing Period, to require Sellers to cause RHI to transfer good and marketable title to, or a valid and enforceable right by Contract to use, all or any portion of the assets of RHI

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to Purchaser. Purchaser shall, at its option, have the right to cause Sellers to postpone the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interest in RHI and/or title to the assets of RHI to Purchaser up until the earlier of (i) January 31, 2010 and (ii) the Business Day immediately prior to the date of the confirmation hearing for Sellers' plan of liquidation or reorganization (the "<u>RHI Post-Closing</u> <u>Period</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (a) Purchaser may cause Sellers to effectuate said transfers at any time and from time to time during the RHI-Post Closing Period upon at least five (5) Business Days' prior written notice to Sellers and (b) at the closing, RHI, as landlord, and Purchaser, or one of its designated Subsidiaries, as tenant, shall enter into a lease agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit N</u> (the "<u>Ren Cen Lease</u>") for the premises described therein.

Section 6.31 Delphi Agreements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including Section 6.6:

(a) Subject to and simultaneously with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the MDA or of an Acceptable Alternative Transaction (in each case, as defined in the Delphi Motion), (i) the Delphi Transaction Agreements shall, effective immediately upon and simultaneously with such consummation, (A) be deemed to be Assumable Executory Contracts and (B) be assumed and assigned to Purchaser and (ii) the Assumption Effective Date with respect thereto shall be deemed to be the date of such consummation.

(b) The LSA Agreement shall, effective at the Closing, (i) be deemed to be an Assumable Executory Contract and (B) be assumed and assigned to Purchaser and (ii) the Assumption Effective Date with respect thereto shall be deemed to be the Closing Date. To the extent that any such agreement is not an Executory Contract, such agreement shall be deemed to be a Purchased Contract.

Section 6.32 GM Strasbourg S.A. Restructuring. The Parties acknowledge and agree that General Motors International Holdings, Inc., a direct Subsidiary of Parent and the direct parent of GM Strasbourg S.A., may, prior to the Closing, dividend its Equity Interest in GM Strasbourg S.A. to Parent, such that following such dividend, GM Strasbourg S.A. will become a wholly-owned direct Subsidiary of Parent. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Parties further acknowledge and agree that following the consummation of such restructuring at any time prior to the Closing, GM Strasbourg S.A. shall automatically, without further action by the Parties, be designated as an Excluded Entity and deemed to be set forth on Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

Section 6.33 Holding Company Reorganization. The Parties agree that Purchaser may, with the prior written consent of Sellers, reorganize prior to the Closing such that Purchaser may become a direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiary of Holding Company on such terms and in such manner as is reasonably acceptable to Sellers, and Purchaser may assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to Holding Company (or one or more newly formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Holding Company) in accordance with Section 9.5. In connection with any restructuring effected pursuant to this Section 6.33, the Parties further agree that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement (a) Parent shall receive securities of Holding Company with the same rights and

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privileges, and in the same proportions, as the Parent Shares and the Parent Warrants, in each case, in lieu of the Parent Shares and Parent Warrants, as Purchase Price hereunder, (b) Canada, New VEBA and Sponsor shall receive securities of Holding Company with the same rights and privileges, and in the same proportions, as the Canada Shares, VEBA Shares, VEBA Warrant and Sponsor Shares, as applicable, in each case, in connection with the Closing and (c) New VEBA shall receive the VEBA Note issued by the same entity that becomes the obligor on the Purchaser Assumed Debt.

Section 6.34 Transfer of Promark Global Advisors Limited and Promark Investment Trustees Limited Equity Interests. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, in the event approval by the Financial Services Authority (the "FSA Approval") of the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in Promark Global Advisors Limited and Promark Investments Trustees Limited (together, the "Promark UK Subsidiaries") has not been obtained as of the Closing Date, Sellers shall, at their option, have the right to postpone the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in the Promark UK Subsidiaries until such time as the FSA Approval is obtained. If the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in the Promark UK Subsidiaries is postponed pursuant to this Section 6.34, then (a) Sellers and Purchaser shall effectuate the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in the Promark UK Subsidiaries no later than five (5) Business Days following the date that the FSA Approval is obtained and (b) Sellers shall enter into a transitional services agreement with Promark Global Advisors, Inc. in the form provided by Promark Global Advisors, Inc., which shall include terms and provisions regarding: (i) certain transitional services to be provided by Promark Global Advisors, Inc. to the Promark UK Subsidiaries, (ii) the continued availability of director and officer liability insurance for directors and officers of the Promark UK Subsidiaries and (iii) certain actions on the part of the Promark UK Subsidiaries to require the prior written consent of Promark Global Advisors, Inc., including changes to employee benefits or compensation, declaration of dividends, material financial transactions, disposition of material assets, entry into material agreements, changes to existing business plans, changes in management and the boards of directors of the Promark UK Subsidiaries and other similar actions.

Section 6.35 Transfer of Equity Interests in Certain Subsidiaries. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, the Parties may mutually agree to postpone the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in those Transferred Entities as are mutually agreed upon by the Parties ("Delayed Closing Entities") to a date following the Closing.

# ARTICLE VII CONDITIONS TO CLOSING

Section 7.1 Conditions to Obligations of Purchaser and Sellers. The respective obligations of Purchaser and Sellers to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the fulfillment or written waiver (to the extent permitted by applicable Law), prior to or at the Closing, of each of the following conditions:

(a) The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Approval Order and the Sale Procedures Order on terms acceptable to the Parties and reasonably acceptable to the UAW, and each shall be a Final Order and shall not have been vacated, stayed or

reversed; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the conditions contained in this **Section 7.1(a)** shall be satisfied notwithstanding the pendency of an appeal if the effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order has not been stayed.

(b) No Order or Law of a United States Governmental Authority shall be in effect that declares this Agreement invalid or unenforceable or that restrains, enjoins or otherwise prohibits the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(c) Sponsor shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered to Sellers and Purchaser an equity registration rights agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit O** (the "Equity Registration Rights Agreement"), duly executed by Sponsor.

(d) Canada shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered to Sellers and Purchaser the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Canada.

(e) The Canadian Debt Contribution shall have been consummated.

(f) The New VEBA shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered to Sellers and Purchaser, the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by the New VEBA.

(g) Purchaser shall have received (i) consents from Governmental Authorities, (ii) Permits and (iii) consents from non-Governmental Authorities, in each case with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the ownership and operation of the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities by Purchaser from and after the Closing, sufficient in the aggregate to permit Purchaser to own and operate the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities from and after the Closing in substantially the same manner as owned and operated by Sellers immediately prior to the Closing (after giving effect to (A) the implementation of the Viability Plans; (B) Parent's announced shutdown, which began in May 2009; and (C) the Bankruptcy Cases (or any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by or in respect of any Subsidiary of Parent).

(h) Sellers shall have executed and delivered definitive financing agreements restructuring the Wind Down Facility in accordance with the provisions of **Section 6.9(b)**.

Section 7.2 Conditions to Obligations of Purchaser. The obligations of Purchaser to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the fulfillment or written waiver, prior to or at the Closing, of each of the following conditions; provided, however, that in no event may Purchaser waive the conditions contained in Section 7.2(d) or Section 7.2(e):

(a) Each of the representations and warranties of Sellers contained in **ARTICLE IV** of this Agreement shall be true and correct (disregarding for the purposes of such determination any qualification as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect) as of

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the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties that speak as of a specific date or time, which representations and warranties shall be true and correct only as of such date or time), except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Sellers shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and obligations required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by Sellers prior to or at the Closing.

(c) Sellers shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Purchaser:

(i) a certificate executed as of the Closing Date by a duly authorized representative of Sellers, on behalf of Sellers and not in such authorized representative's individual capacity, certifying that the conditions set forth in **Section 7.2(a)** and **Section 7.2(b)** have been satisfied;

(ii) the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Parent;

(iii) stock certificates or membership interest certificates, if any, evidencing the Transferred Equity Interests (other than in respect of the Equity Interests held by Sellers in RHI, Promark Global Advisors Limited, Promark Investments Trustees Limited and the Delayed Closing Entities, which the Parties agree may be transferred following the Closing in accordance with Section 6.30, Section 6.34 and Section 6.35), duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by stock powers (or similar documentation) duly endorsed in blank, in proper form for transfer to Purchaser, including any required stamps affixed thereto;

(iv) an omnibus bill of sale, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit P** (the "<u>Bill of Sale</u>"), together with transfer tax declarations and all other instruments of conveyance that are necessary to effect transfer to Purchaser of title to the Purchased Assets, each in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(v) an omnibus assignment and assumption agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit Q</u> (the "<u>Assignment and Assumption</u> <u>Agreement</u>"), together with all other instruments of assignment and assumption that are necessary to transfer the Purchased Contracts and Assumed Liabilities to Purchaser, each in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(vi) a novation agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit R** (the "Novation Agreement"), duly executed by Sellers and the appropriate United States Governmental Authorities;

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(vii) a government related subcontract agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit S</u> (the "<u>Government Related Subcontract</u> <u>Agreement</u>"), duly executed by Sellers;

(viii) an omnibus intellectual property assignment agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit T** (the "Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement"), duly executed by Sellers;

(ix) a transition services agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit U** (the "<u>Transition Services Agreement</u>"), duly executed by Sellers;

(x) all quitclaim deeds or deeds without warranty (or equivalents for those parcels of Owned Real Property located in jurisdictions outside of the United States), in customary form, subject only to Permitted Encumbrances, conveying the Owned Real Property to Purchaser (the "<u>Quitclaim Deeds</u>"), duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xi) all required Transfer Tax or sales disclosure forms relating to the Transferred Real Property (the "<u>Transfer Tax Forms</u>"), duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xii) an assignment and assumption of the leases and subleases underlying the Leased Real Property, in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit V** (the "Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases"), together with such other instruments of assignment and assumption that are necessary to transfer the leases and subleases underlying the Leased Real Property located in jurisdictions outside of the United States, each duly executed by Sellers; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if it is required for the assumption and assignment of any lease or sublease underlying a Leased Real Property that a separate assignment and assumption for such lease or sublease be executed, then a separate assignment and assumption of such lease or sublease shall be executed in a form substantially similar to **Exhibit V** or as otherwise required to assume or assign such Leased Real Property;

(xiii) an assignment and assumption of the lease in respect of the premises located at 2485 Second Avenue, New York, New York, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit W** (the "Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease"), duly executed by Harlem;

(xiv) an omnibus lease agreement in respect of the lease of certain portions of the Excluded Real Property that is owned real property, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit X</u> (the "<u>Master Lease Agreement</u>"), duly executed by Parent;

(xv) [Reserved];

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(xvi) the Saginaw Service Contracts, if required, duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xvii) any easement agreements required under Section 6.27(c), duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xviii) the Subdivision Master Lease, if required, duly executed by the appropriate Sellers;

(xix) a certificate of an officer of each Seller (A) certifying that attached to such certificate are true and complete copies of (1) such Seller's Organizational Documents, each as amended through and in effect on the Closing Date and (2) resolutions of the board of directors of such Seller, authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements and the matters set forth in **Section 6.16(e)**, and (B) certifying as to the incumbency of the officer(s) of such Seller executing this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party;

(xx) a certificate in compliance with Treas. Reg. 1.1445-2(b)(2) that each Seller is not a foreign person as defined under Section 897 of the Tax Code;

(xxi) a certificate of good standing for each Seller from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware;

(xxii) their written agreement to treat the Relevant Transactions and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement in accordance with Purchaser's determination in **Section 6.16**;

(xxiii) payoff letters and related Encumbrance-release documentation (including, if applicable, UCC-3 termination statements), each in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by the holders of the secured Indebtedness; and

(xxiv) all books and records of Sellers described in Section 2.2(a)(xiv).

(d) The UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement shall have been ratified by the membership, shall have been assumed by the applicable Sellers and assigned to Purchaser, and shall be in full force and effect.

(e) The UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement shall have been executed and delivered by the UAW and shall have been approved by the Bankruptcy Court as part of the Sale Approval Order.

(f) The Canadian Operations Continuation Agreement shall have been executed and delivered by the parties thereto in the form previously distributed among them.

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*Section 7.3 Conditions to Obligations of Sellers.* The obligations of Sellers to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the fulfillment or written waiver, prior to or at the Closing, of each of the following conditions; provided, however, that in no event may Sellers waive the conditions contained in **Section 7.3(h)** or **Section 7.3(i)**:

(a) Each of the representations and warranties of Purchaser contained in **ARTICLE V** of this Agreement shall be true and correct (disregarding for the purpose of such determination any qualification as to materiality or Purchaser Material Adverse Effect) as of the Closing Date as if made on such date (except for representations and warranties that speak as of a specific date or time, which representations and warranties shall be true and correct only as of such date or time), except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a Purchaser Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Purchaser shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and obligations required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by it prior to or at the Closing.

(c) Purchaser shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Sellers:

(i) Parent Warrant A (including the related warrant agreement), duly executed by Purchaser;

(ii) Parent Warrant B (including the related warrant agreement), duly executed by Purchaser;

(iii) a certificate executed as of the Closing Date by a duly authorized representative of Purchaser, on behalf of Purchaser and not in such authorized representative's individual capacity, certifying that the conditions set forth in **Section 7.3(a)** and **Section 7.3(b)** are satisfied;

(iv) stock certificates evidencing the Parent Shares, duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by stock powers duly endorsed in blank, in proper form for transfer, including any required stamps affixed thereto;

(v) the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser;

(vi) the Bill of Sale, together with all other documents described in **Section 7.2(c)(iv)**, each duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(vii) the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, together with all other documents described in **Section 7.2(c)(v)**, each duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(viii) the Novation Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

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(ix) the Government Related Subcontract Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiary;

(x) the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xi) the Transition Services Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xii) the Transfer Tax Forms, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries, to the extent required;

(xiii) the Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases, together with all other documents described in **Section 7.2(c)(xii)**, each duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xiv) the Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xv) the Master Lease Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xvi) [Reserved];

(xvii) the Subdivision Master Lease, if required, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xviii) any easement agreements required under **Section 6.27(c)**, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xix) a certificate of a duly authorized representative of Purchaser (A) certifying that attached to such certificate are true and complete copies of (1) Purchaser's Organizational Documents, each as amended through and in effect on the Closing Date and (2) resolutions of the board of directors of Purchaser, authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which Purchaser is a party, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements and the matters set forth in **Section 6.16(g)**, and (B) certifying as to the incumbency of the officer(s) of Purchaser executing this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which Purchaser is a party; and

(xx) a certificate of good standing for Purchaser from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

(d) [Reserved]

(e) Purchaser shall have filed a certificate of designation for the Preferred Stock, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit Y**, with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

(f) Purchaser shall have offset the UST Credit Bid Amount against the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries owed to Purchaser as of the Closing under the UST Credit Facilities pursuant to a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid and delivered releases and waivers and related Encumbrance-release documentation (including, if applicable, UCC-3 termination statements) with respect to the UST Credit Bid Amount, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by Purchaser in accordance with the applicable requirements in effect on the date hereof, (iii) transferred to Sellers the UST Warrant and (iv) issued to Parent, in accordance with instructions provided by Parent, the Purchaser Shares and the Parent Warrants (duly executed by Purchaser).

(g) Purchaser shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Canada, Sponsor and/or the New VEBA, as applicable:

(i) certificates representing the Canada Shares, the Sponsor Shares and the VEBA Shares in accordance with the applicable equity subscription agreements in effect on the date hereof;

(ii) the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser;

(iii) the VEBA Warrant (including the related warrant agreement), duly executed by Purchaser; and

(iv) a note, in form and substance consistent with the terms set forth on **Exhibit Z** attached hereto, to the New VEBA (the "<u>VEBA Note</u>").

(h) The UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement shall have been ratified by the membership, shall have been assumed by Purchaser, and shall be in full force and effect.

(i) The UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement shall have been executed and delivered, shall be in full force and effect, and shall have been approved by the Bankruptcy Court as part of the Sale Approval Order.

# ARTICLE VIII TERMINATION

*Section 8.1 Termination.* This Agreement may be terminated, and the transactions contemplated hereby may be abandoned, at any time prior to the Closing Date as follows:

(a) by the mutual written consent of Sellers and Purchaser;

(b) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if (i) the Closing shall not have occurred on or before August 15, 2009, or such later date as the Parties may agree in writing, such date not to be later than September 15, 2009 (as extended, the "<u>End Date</u>"), and (ii) the Party seeking to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(b)** shall not have breached in any material respect its obligations under this Agreement in any manner that shall have proximately caused the failure of the transactions contemplated hereby to close on or before such date;

(c) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if the Bankruptcy Court shall not have entered the Sale Approval Order by July 10, 2009;

(d) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if any court of competent jurisdiction in the United States or other United States Governmental Authority shall have issued a Final Order permanently restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the sale of a material portion of the Purchased Assets;

(e) by Sellers, if Purchaser shall have breached or failed to perform in any material respect any of its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements contained in this Agreement, and such breach or failure to perform has not been cured by the End Date, <u>provided</u> that (i) Sellers shall have given Purchaser written notice, delivered at least thirty (30) days prior to such termination, stating Sellers' intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(e)** and the basis for such termination and (ii) Sellers shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(e)** if Sellers are then in material breach of any its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements set forth herein;

(f) by Purchaser, if Sellers shall have breached or failed to perform in any material respect any of its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach or failure to perform (i) would (if it occurred or was continuing as of the Closing Date) give rise to the failure of a condition set forth in **Section 7.2(a)** or **Section 7.2(b)** to be fulfilled, (ii) cannot be cured by the End Date, <u>provided</u> that (i) Purchaser shall have given Sellers written notice, delivered at least thirty (30) days prior to such termination, stating Purchaser's intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(f)** and the basis for such termination and (iii) Purchaser is then in material breach of any its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements set forth herein; or

(g) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered an Order approving an Alternative Transaction.

# Section 8.2 Procedure and Effect of Termination.

(a) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to **Section 8.1**, this Agreement shall become null and void and have no effect, and all obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate, except for those obligations of the Parties set forth this **Section 8.2** and **ARTICLE IX**, which shall remain in full force and effect; provided that nothing

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herein shall relieve any Party from Liability for any material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements set forth herein. If this Agreement is terminated as provided herein, all filings, applications and other submissions made pursuant to this Agreement shall, to the extent practicable, be withdrawn from the agency or other Person to which they were made.

(b) If this Agreement is terminated by Sellers or Purchaser pursuant to **Section 8.1(a)** through **Section 8.1(d)** or **Section 8.1(g)** or by Purchaser pursuant to **Section 8.1(f)**, Sellers, severally and not jointly, shall reimburse Purchaser for its reasonable, out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred by Purchaser in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (the "<u>Purchaser Expense Reimbursement</u>"). The Purchaser Expense Reimbursement shall be paid as an administrative expense Claim of Sellers pursuant to Section 503(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code.

(c) Except as expressly provided for in this **Section 8.2**, any termination of this Agreement pursuant to **Section 8.1** shall be without Liability to Purchaser or Sellers, including any Liability by Sellers to Purchaser for any break-up fee, termination fee, expense reimbursement or other compensation as a result of a termination of this Agreement.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated for any reason, Purchaser shall, and shall cause each of its Affiliates and Representatives to, treat and hold as confidential all Confidential Information, whether documentary, electronic or oral, labeled or otherwise identified as confidential, and regardless of the form of communication or the manner in which it was furnished. For purposes of this **Section 8.2(d)**, Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include any information that (i) is now available to or is hereafter disclosed in a manner making it available to the general public, in each case, through no act or omission of Purchaser, any of its Affiliates or any of their Representatives, or (ii) is required by Law to be disclosed.

# ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.1 Survival of Representations, Warranties, Covenants and Agreements and Consequences of Certain Breaches. The representations and warranties of the Parties contained in this Agreement shall be extinguished by and shall not survive the Closing, and no Claims may be asserted in respect of, and no Party shall have any Liability for any breach of, the representations and warranties. All covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, including those covenants and agreements set forth in **ARTICLE II** and **ARTICLE VI**, shall survive the Closing indefinitely.

Section 9.2 Notices. Any notice, request, instruction, consent, document or other communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given or served for all purposes (a) upon delivery when personally delivered; (b) on the delivery date after having been sent by a nationally or internationally recognized overnight courier service (charges prepaid); (c) at the time received

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when sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or (d) at the time when confirmation of successful transmission is received (or the first Business Day following such receipt if the date of such receipt is not a Business Day) if sent by facsimile, in each case, to the recipient at the address or facsimile number, as applicable, indicated below:

If to any Seller:	General Motors Corporation 300 Renaissance Center Tower 300, 25th Floor, Room D55 M/C 482-C25-D81 Detroit, Michigan 48265-3000 Attn: General Counsel Tel.: 313-667-3450 Facsimile: 248-267-4584
With copies to:	Jenner & Block LLP 330 North Wabash Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60611-7603 Attn: Joseph P. Gromacki Michael T. Wolf Tel.: 312-222-9350 Facsimile: 312-527-0484 and
	Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP 767 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10153 Attn: Harvey R. Miller Stephen Karotkin Raymond Gietz Tel.: 212-310-8000 Facsimile: 212-310-8007
If to Purchaser:	NGMCO, Inc. c/o The United States Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington D.C. 20220 Attn: Chief Counsel Office of Financial Stability Facsimile: 202-927-9225

With a copy to:	Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP
	One World Financial Center
	New York, New York 10281
	Attn: John J. Rapisardi
	R. Ronald Hopkinson
	Tel.: 212-504-6000
	Facsimile: 212-504-6666

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, if any Party shall have designated a different addressee and/or contact information by notice in accordance with this **Section 9.2**, then to the last addressee as so designated.

Section 9.3 Fees and Expenses; No Right of Setoff. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, including Section 8.2(b), Purchaser, on the one hand, and each Seller, on the other hand, shall bear its own fees, costs and expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel, financial advisors, investment bankers, accountants and other agents and representatives, incurred in connection with the negotiation and execution of this Agreement and each Ancillary Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. In furtherance of the foregoing, Purchaser shall be solely responsible for (a) all expenses incurred by it in connection with its due diligence review of Sellers and their respective businesses, including surveys, title work, title inspections, title searches, environmental testing or inspections, building inspections, Uniform Commercial Code lien and other searches and (b) any cost (including any filing fees) incurred by it in connection with notarization, registration or recording of this Agreement or an Ancillary Agreement required by applicable Law. No Party nor any of its Affiliates shall have any right of holdback or setoff or assert any Claim or defense with respect to any amounts that may be owed by such Party or its Affiliates to any other Party (or Parties) hereto or its or their Affiliates as a result of and with respect to any amount that may be owing to such Party or its Affiliates under this Agreement, any Ancillary Agreement or any other commercial arrangement entered into in between or among such Parties and/or their respective Affiliates.

*Section 9.4 Bulk Sales Laws.* Each Party hereto waives compliance by the other Parties with any applicable bulk sales Law.

Section 9.5 Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations provided by this Agreement may be assigned or delegated by any Party (whether by operation of law or otherwise) without the prior written consent of the other Parties, and any such assignment or delegation without such prior written consent shall be null and void; provided, however, that, without the consent of Sellers, Purchaser may assign or direct the transfer on its behalf on or prior to the Closing of all, or any portion, of its rights to purchase, accept and acquire the Purchased Assets and its obligations to assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, the Assumed Liabilities, to Holding Company or one or more newly-formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Holding Company or Purchaser; provided, further, that no such assignment or delegation shall relieve Purchaser of any of its obligations under this Agreement. Subject to the preceding sentence and except as otherwise hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

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*Section 9.6 Amendment.* This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented except upon the execution and delivery of a written agreement executed by a duly authorized representative or officer of each of the Parties.

Section 9.7 Waiver. At any time prior to the Closing, each Party may (a) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or other acts of the other Parties; (b) waive any inaccuracies in the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement or in any document delivered pursuant hereto; or (c) waive compliance with any of the agreements or conditions contained herein (to the extent permitted by Law). Any such waiver or extension by a Party (i) shall be valid only if, and to the extent, set forth in a written instrument signed by a duly authorized representative or officer of the Party to be bound and (ii) shall not constitute, or be construed as, a continuing waiver of such provision, or a waiver of any other breach of, or failure to comply with, any other provision of this Agreement. The failure in any one or more instances of a Party to insist upon performance of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement, to exercise any right or privilege in this Agreement conferred, or the waiver by said Party of any breach of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a subsequent waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any other terms, covenants, conditions, rights or privileges, but the same will continue and remain in full force and effect as if no such forbearance or waiver had occurred.

Section 9.8 Severability. Whenever possible, each term and provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable Law. If any term or provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Person or any circumstance, is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefore in order to carry out, so far as may be legal, valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement or such term or provision and the application of such term or provision to other Persons or circumstances shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected by such illegality, invalidity or unenforceability, nor shall such invalidity or unenforceability affect the legality, validity or enforceability of such term or provision, or the application thereof, in any jurisdiction.

Section 9.9 Counterparts; Facsimiles. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. All signatures of the Parties may be transmitted by facsimile or electronic delivery, and each such facsimile signature or electronic delivery signature (including a pdf signature) will, for all purposes, be deemed to be the original signature of the Party whose signature it reproduces and be binding upon such Party.

*Section 9.10 Headings.* The descriptive headings of the Articles, Sections and paragraphs of, and Schedules and Exhibits to, this Agreement, and the table of contents, table of Exhibits and table of Schedules contained in this Agreement, are included for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement and shall not be deemed to limit, modify or affect any of the provisions hereof.

Section 9.11 Parties in Interest. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of each Party hereto and their respective permitted successors and

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assigns; <u>provided</u>, that (a) for all purposes each of Sponsor, the New VEBA, and Canada shall be express third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and (b) for purposes of Section 2.2(a)(x) and (xvi), Section 2.2(b)(vii), Section 2.3(a)(x), (xii), (xiii) and (xv), Section 2.3(b)(xv), Section 4.6(b), Section 4.10, Section 5.4(c), Section 6.2(b)(x), (xv) and (xvii), Section 6.4(a), Section 6.4(b), Section 6.6(a), (d), (f) and (g), Section 6.11(c)(i) and (vi), Section 6.17, Section 7.1(a) and (f), Section 7.2(d) and (e) and Section 7.3(g), (h) and (i), the UAW shall be an express third-party beneficiary of this Agreement. Subject to the preceding sentence, nothing express or implied in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to confer upon or give to any Person, other than the Parties, their Affiliates and their respective permitted successors or assigns, any legal or equitable Claims, benefits, rights or remedies of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

Section 9.12 Governing Law. The construction, interpretation and other matters arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (whether arising in contract, tort, equity or otherwise) shall in all respects be governed by and construed (a) to the extent applicable, in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, and (b) to the extent the Bankruptcy Code is not applicable, in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to rules governing the conflict of laws.

Section 9.13 Venue and Retention of Jurisdiction. Each Party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court for any litigation arising out of or in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (and agrees not to commence any litigation relating thereto except in the Bankruptcy Court, other than actions in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce any judgment, decree or award rendered by any such court as described herein); <u>provided, however</u>, that this **Section 9.13** shall not be applicable in the event the Bankruptcy Cases have closed, in which case the Parties irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal courts in the Southern District of New York and state courts of the State of New York located in the Borough of Manhattan in the City of New York for any litigation arising out of or in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (and agree not to commence any litigation relating thereto except in the federal courts in the Southern District of New York and state courts of the State of New York located in the Borough of Manhattan in the City of New York, other than actions in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce any judgment, decree or award rendered by any such court as described herein).

Section 9.14 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY DISPUTE IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY MATTERS DESCRIBED OR CONTEMPLATED HEREIN, AND AGREES TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTION NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO EFFECT SUCH WAIVER.

Section 9.15 Risk of Loss. Prior to the Closing, all risk of loss, damage or destruction to all or any part of the Purchased Assets shall be borne exclusively by Sellers.

Section 9.16 Enforcement of Agreement. The Parties agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any provision of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with its specific terms or were otherwise breached. It is accordingly agreed that the

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Parties shall, without the posting of a bond, be entitled, subject to a determination by a court of competent jurisdiction, to an injunction or injunctions to prevent any such failure of performance under, or breaches of, this Agreement, and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions hereof and thereof, this being in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity, and each Party agrees that it will not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that the requesting Party has an adequate remedy at law.

Section 9.17 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (together with the Ancillary Agreements, the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and the Exhibits) contains the final, exclusive and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. Neither this Agreement nor any Ancillary Agreement shall be deemed to contain or imply any restriction, covenant, representation, warranty, agreement or undertaking of any Party with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby other than those expressly set forth herein or therein, and none shall be deemed to exist or be inferred with respect to the subject matter hereof.

Section 9.18 Publicity. Prior to the first public announcement of this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, Sellers, on the one hand, and Purchaser, on the other hand, shall consult with each other regarding, and share with each other copies of, their respective communications plans, including draft press releases and related materials, with regard to such announcement. Neither Sellers nor Purchaser shall issue any press release or public announcement concerning this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby without obtaining the prior written approval of the other Party or Parties, as applicable, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, unless, in the sole judgment of the Party intending to make such release, disclosure is otherwise required by applicable Law, or by the Bankruptcy Court with respect to filings to be made with the Bankruptcy Court in connection with this Agreement or by the applicable rules of any stock exchange on which Purchaser or Sellers list securities; provided, that the Party intending to make such release shall use reasonable best efforts consistent with such applicable Law or Bankruptcy Court requirement to consult with the other Party or Parties, as applicable, with respect to the text thereof; provided, further, that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section, no Party shall be prohibited from publishing, disseminating or otherwise making public, without the prior written approval of the other Party or Parties, as applicable, any materials that are derived from or consistent with the materials included in the communications plan referred to above. In an effort to coordinate consistent communications, the Parties shall agree upon procedures relating to all press releases and public announcements concerning this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 9.19 No Successor or Transferee Liability. Except where expressly prohibited under applicable Law or otherwise expressly ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, upon the Closing, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates or stockholders shall be deemed to (a) be the successor of Sellers; (b) have, de facto, or otherwise, merged with or into Sellers; (c) be a mere continuation or substantial continuation of Sellers or the enterprise(s) of Sellers; or (d) other than as set forth in this Agreement, be liable for any acts or omissions of Sellers in the conduct of Sellers' business or arising under or related to the Purchased Assets. Without limiting

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the generality of the foregoing, and except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates or stockholders shall be liable for any Claims against Sellers or any of their predecessors or Affiliates, and neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates or stockholders shall have any successor, transferee or vicarious Liability of any kind or character whether known or unknown as of the Closing, whether now existing or hereafter arising, or whether fixed or contingent, with respect to Sellers' business or any obligations of Sellers arising prior to the Closing, except as provided in this Agreement, including Liabilities on account of any Taxes arising, accruing, or payable under, out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to the operation of Sellers' business prior to the Closing.

*Section 9.20 Time Periods.* Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, an action required under this Agreement to be taken within a certain number of days or any other time period specified herein shall be taken within the applicable number of calendar days (and not Business Days); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the last day for taking such action falls on a day that is not a Business Day, the period during which such action may be taken shall be automatically extended to the next Business Day.

Section 9.21 Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. The representations and warranties of Sellers set forth in this Agreement are made and given subject to the disclosures contained in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Inclusion of information in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall not be construed as an admission that such information is material to the business, operations or condition of the business of Sellers, the Purchased Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, taken in part or as a whole, or as an admission of Liability of any Seller to any third party. The specific disclosures set forth in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule have been organized to correspond to Section references in this Agreement to which the disclosure may be most likely to relate; provided, however, that any disclosure in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall apply to, and shall be deemed to be disclosed for, any other Section of this Agreement to the extent the relevance of such disclosure to such other Section is reasonably apparent on its face.

Section 9.22 No Binding Effect. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, no provision of this Agreement shall (i) be binding on or create any obligation on the part of Sponsor, the United States Government or any branch, agency or political subdivision thereof (a "Sponsor Affiliate") or the Government of Canada, or any crown corporation, agency or department thereof (a "Canada Affiliate") or (ii) require Purchaser to initiate any Claim or other action against Sponsor or any Sponsor Affiliate or otherwise attempt to cause Sponsor, any Sponsor Affiliate, Government of Canada or any Canada Affiliate to comply with or abide by the terms of this Agreement. No facts, materials or other information received or action taken by any Person who is an officer, director or agent of Purchaser by virtue of such Person's affiliation with or employment by Sponsor, any Sponsor Affiliate, Government of Canada or any Canada Affiliate shall be attributed to Purchaser for purposes of this Agreement or shall form the basis of any claim against such Person in their individual capacity.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Parties hereto has caused this Agreement to be executed by its duly authorized officer, in each case as of the date first written above.

# GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION

Bv:

Name: Frederick A. Henderson Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

SATURN LLC

By: \_

Name: Jill Lajdziak Title: President

SATURN DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION

By: \_\_\_

Name: Jill Lajdziak Title: President

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# FIRST AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated as of June 30, 2009 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), is made by and among General Motors Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>Parent</u>"), Saturn LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>S LLC</u>"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>S Distribution</u>"), Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Harlem</u>," and collectively with Parent, S LLC and S Distribution, "<u>Sellers</u>," and each a "<u>Seller</u>"), and NGMCO, Inc., a Delaware corporation and successor-in-interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Purchaser</u>").

WHEREAS, Sellers and Purchaser have entered into that certain Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2009 (the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Purchase Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. *Capitalized Terms.* All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 2. Amendments to Purchase Agreement.

(a) Section 2.3(a)(v) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

all Liabilities of Sellers (A) arising in the Ordinary Course  $(\mathbf{v})$ of Business during the Bankruptcy Cases through and including the Closing Date, to the extent such Liabilities are administrative expenses of Sellers' estates pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and (B) arising prior to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases, to the extent approved by the Bankruptcy Court for payment by Sellers pursuant to a Final Order (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers' Liabilities in clauses (A) and (B) above include all of Sellers' Liabilities for personal property Taxes, real estate and/or other ad valorem Taxes, use Taxes, sales Taxes, franchise Taxes, income Taxes, gross receipt Taxes, excise Taxes, Michigan Business Taxes and Michigan Single Business Taxes and other Liabilities mentioned in the Bankruptcy Court's Order - Docket No. 174), in each case, other than (1) Liabilities of the type described in Section 2.3(b)(iv), Section 2.3(b)(vi), Section 2.3(b)(ix) and Section 2.3(b)(xii), (2) Liabilities arising under any dealer sales and service Contract and any Contract related thereto, to the extent such Contract has been designated as

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a Rejectable Executory Contract, and (3) Liabilities otherwise assumed in this **Section 2.3(a)**;

(b) Section 2.3(a)(ix) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(ix) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, or other injury to Persons or damage to property caused by motor vehicles designed for operation on public roadways or by the component parts of such motor vehicles and, in each case, manufactured, sold or delivered by Sellers (collectively, "<u>Product Liabilities</u>"), which arise directly out of death, personal injury or other injury to Persons or damage to property caused by accidents or incidents first occurring on or after the Closing Date and arising from such motor vehicles' operation or performance (for avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume, or become liable to pay, perform or discharge, any Liability arising or contended to arise by reason of exposure to materials utilized in the assembly or fabrication of motor vehicles manufactured by Sellers and delivered prior to the Closing Date, including asbestos, silicates or fluids, regardless of when such alleged exposure occurs);

(c) Section 2.3(b)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all workers' compensation Claims with respect to Employees residing or employed in, as the case may be and as defined by applicable Law, (A) the states set forth on **Exhibit G** and (B) if the State of Michigan (1) fails to authorize Purchaser and its Affiliates operating within the State of Michigan to be a self-insurer for purposes of administering workers' compensation Claims or (2) requires Purchaser and its Affiliates operating within the State of Michigan to post collateral, bonds or other forms of security to secure workers' compensation Claims, the State of Michigan (collectively, "Retained Workers' Compensation Claims");

(d) Section 6.6(d) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(d) All Assumable Executory Contracts shall be assumed and assigned to Purchaser on the date (the "<u>Assumption Effective Date</u>") that is the later of (i) the date designated by the Purchaser and (ii) the date following expiration of the objection deadline if no objection, other than to the Cure Amount, has been timely filed or the date of resolution of any objection unrelated to Cure Amount, as provided in the Sale Procedures Order; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in the case of each (A) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, (2) Deferred Termination Agreement (and the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement)

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designated as an Assumable Executory Contract and (3) Participation Agreement (and the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) designated as an Assumable Executory Contract, the Assumption Effective Date shall be the Closing Date and (B) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Assumption Effective Date shall be a date that is no later than the date set forth with respect to such Executory Contract on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. As soon as reasonably practicable following a determination that an Executory Contract shall be designated as an Assumable Executory Contract hereunder, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to notify each third party to such Executory Contract of their intention to assume and assign such Executory Contract in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Sale Procedures Order. On the Assumption Effective Date for any Assumable Executory Contract, such Assumable Executory Contract shall be deemed to be a Purchased Contract hereunder. If it is determined under the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order that Sellers may not assume and assign to Purchaser any Assumable Executory Contract, such Executory Contract shall cease to be an Assumable Executory Contract and shall be an Excluded Contract and a Rejectable Executory Contract. Except as provided in Section 6.31, notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, any Executory Contract that has not been specifically designated as an Assumable Executory Contract as of the Executory Contract Designation Deadline applicable to such Executory Contract, including any Deferred Executory Contract, shall automatically be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract and an Excluded Contract hereunder. Sellers shall have the right, but not the obligation, to reject, at any time, any Rejectable Executory Contract; provided, however, that Sellers shall not reject any Contract that affects both Owned Real Property and Excluded Real Property (whether designated on Exhibit F or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule), including any such Executory Contract that involves the provision of water, water treatment, electric, fuel, gas, telephone and other utilities to any facilities located at the Excluded Real Property, whether designated on Exhibit F or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (the "Shared Executory Contracts"), without the prior written consent of Purchaser.

*Section 3. Effectiveness of Amendment.* Upon the execution and delivery hereof, the Purchase Agreement shall thereupon be deemed to be amended and restated as set forth in <u>Section 2</u>, as fully and with the same effect as if such amendments and restatements were originally set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 4. Ratification of Purchase Agreement; Incorporation by Reference. Except as specifically provided for in this Amendment, the Purchase Agreement is hereby confirmed and ratified in all respects and shall be and remain in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. This Amendment is subject to all of the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Purchase Agreement, including **Article IX** thereof, which sections are hereby incorporated into this Amendment, mutatis mutandis, as if they were set forth in their entirety herein.

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Section 5. Counterparts. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. All signatures of the Parties may be transmitted by facsimile or electronic delivery, and each such facsimile signature or electronic delivery signature (including a pdf signature) will, for all purposes, be deemed to be the original signature of the Party whose signature it reproduces and be binding upon such Party.

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# SECOND AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS SECOND AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated as of July 5, 2009 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), is made by and among General Motors Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>Parent</u>"), Saturn LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>S LLC</u>"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>S Distribution</u>"), Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Harlem</u>," and collectively with Parent, S LLC and S Distribution, "<u>Sellers</u>," and each a "<u>Seller</u>"), and NGMCO, Inc., a Delaware corporation and successor-in-interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Purchaser</u>").

WHEREAS, Sellers and Purchaser have entered into that certain Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2009 (as amended, the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>");

WHEREAS, Sellers and Purchaser have entered into that certain First Amendment to Amended and Restated Master and Purchase Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Purchase Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. *Capitalized Terms*. All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 2. Amendments to Purchase Agreement.

(a) The following new definition of "Advanced Technology Credits" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Advanced Technology Credits</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.36.

(b) The following new definition of "Advanced Technology Projects" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Advanced Technology Projects</u>" means development, design, engineering and production of advanced technology vehicles and components, including the vehicles known as "the Volt", "the Cruze" and components, transmissions and systems for vehicles employing hybrid technologies.

(c) The definition of "Ancillary Agreements" is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

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"<u>Ancillary Agreements</u>" means the Parent Warrants, the UAW Active Labor Modifications, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the VEBA Warrant, the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, the Bill of Sale, the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement, the Quitclaim Deeds, the Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases, the Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease, the Master Lease Agreement, the Subdivision Master Lease (if required), the Saginaw Service Contracts (if required), the Assignment and Assumption of Willow Run Lease, the Ren Cen Lease, the VEBA Note and each other agreement or document executed by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement or any of the foregoing and each certificate and other document to be delivered by the Parties pursuant to **ARTICLE VII**.

(d) The following new definition of "Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(c)(i)**.

(e) The definition of "Permitted Encumbrances" is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

"Permitted Encumbrances" means all (i) purchase money security interests arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (ii) security interests relating to progress payments created or arising pursuant to government Contracts in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iii) security interests relating to vendor tooling arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iv) Encumbrances that have been or may be created by or with the written consent of Purchaser; (v) mechanic's, materialmen's, laborer's, workmen's, repairmen's, carrier's liens and other similar Encumbrances arising by operation of law or statute in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts that are not delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings; (vi) liens for Taxes, the validity or amount of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and statutory liens for current Taxes not yet due, payable or delinquent (or which may be paid without interest or penalties); (vii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Owned Real Property, other than Secured Real Property Encumbrances at and following the Closing: (a) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use of the affected property; (b) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways abutting or adjacent to the applicable Owned Real Property; (c) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Owned Real Property, which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use

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of the applicable Owned Real Property; and (d) such other Encumbrances, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with or affect the present use or occupancy of the applicable Owned Real Property; (viii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Leased Real Property: (1) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose; (2) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways abutting or adjacent to the applicable Leased Real Property; (3) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Leased Real Property or which have otherwise been imposed on such property by landlords; (ix) in the case of the Transferred Equity Interests, all restrictions and obligations contained in any Organizational Document, joint venture agreement, shareholders agreement, voting agreement and related documents and agreements, in each case, affecting the Transferred Equity Interests; (x) except to the extent otherwise agreed to in the Ratification Agreement entered into by Sellers and GMAC on June 1, 2009 and approved by the Bankruptcy Court on the date thereof or any other written agreement between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller, all Claims (in each case solely to the extent such Claims constitute Encumbrances) and Encumbrances in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries in, upon or with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest, including any of the following: (1) cash, deposits, certificates of deposit, deposit accounts, escrow funds, surety bonds, letters of credit and similar agreements and instruments; (2) owned or leased equipment; (3) owned or leased real property; (4) motor vehicles, inventory, equipment, statements of origin, certificates of title, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, documents and instruments of dealers, including property of dealers in-transit to, surrendered or returned by or repossessed from dealers or otherwise in any Seller's possession or under its control; (5) property securing obligations of Sellers under derivatives Contracts; (6) rights or property with respect to which a Claim or Encumbrance in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries is disclosed in any filing made by Parent with the SEC (including any filed exhibit); and (7) supporting obligations, insurance rights and Claims against third parties relating to the foregoing; and (xi) all rights of setoff and/or recoupment that are Encumbrances in favor of GMAC and/or its Subsidiaries against amounts owed to Sellers and/or any of their Subsidiaries with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest as more fully described in clause (x) above; it being understood that nothing in this clause (xi) or preceding clause (x) shall be deemed to modify, amend or otherwise change any agreement as between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller.

(f) The following new definition of "Purchaser Escrow Funds" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Purchaser Escrow Funds</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(xx).

(g) Section 2.2(a)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all credits, Advanced Technology Credits, deferred charges, prepaid expenses, deposits, advances, warranties, rights, guarantees, surety bonds, letters of credit, trust arrangements and other similar financial arrangements, in each case, relating to the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including all warranties, rights and guarantees (whether express or implied) made by suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and other third parties under or in connection with the Purchased Contracts;

(h) **Section 2.2(a)(xviii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xviii) any rights of any Seller, Subsidiary of any Seller or Seller Group member to any Tax refunds, credits or abatements that relate to any Pre-Closing Tax Period or Straddle Period;

(i) Section 2.2(a)(xix) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xix) any interest in Excluded Insurance Policies, only to the extent such interest relates to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability; and

(j) A new **Section 2.2(a)(xx)** is hereby added to the Purchase Agreement to read as follows:

(xx) all cash and cash equivalents, including all marketable securities, held in (1) escrow pursuant to, or as contemplated by that certain letter agreement dated as of June 30, 2009, by and between Parent, Citicorp USA, Inc., as Bank Representative, and Citibank, N.A., as Escrow Agent or (2) any escrow established in contemplation or for the purpose of the Closing, that would otherwise constitute a Purchased Asset pursuant to **Section 2.2(a)(i)** (collectively, "<u>Purchaser Escrow Funds</u>");

(k) **Section 2.2(b)(i)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(i) cash or cash equivalents in an amount equal to \$1,175,000,000 (the "<u>Excluded Cash</u>");

(l) **Section 2.2(b)(ii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(ii) all Restricted Cash exclusively relating to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities, which for the avoidance of doubt, shall not be deemed to include Purchaser Escrow Funds;

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(m) **Section 2.3(a)(viii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(viii) all Liabilities arising under any Environmental Law (A) relating to the Transferred Real Property, other than those Liabilities described in **Section 2.3(b)(iv)**, (B) resulting from Purchaser's ownership or operation of the Transferred Real Property after the Closing or (C) relating to Purchaser's failure to comply with Environmental Laws after the Closing;

(n) Section 2.3(a)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all Liabilities (A) specifically assumed by Purchaser pursuant to **Section 6.17** or (B) arising out of, relating to or in connection with the salaries and/or wages and vacation of all Transferred Employees that are accrued and unpaid (or with respect to vacation, unused) as of the Closing Date;

(o) **Section 2.3(b)(iv)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(iv) all Liabilities (A) associated with noncompliance with Environmental Laws (including for fines, penalties, damages and remedies); (B) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the transportation, off-site storage or off-site disposal of any Hazardous Materials generated or located at any Transferred Real Property; (C) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with third party Claims related to Hazardous Materials that were or are located at or that were Released into the Environment from Transferred Real Property prior to the Closing, except as otherwise required under applicable Environmental Laws; (D) arising under Environmental Laws related to the Excluded Real Property, except as provided under Section 18.2(e) of the Master Lease Agreement or as provided under the "Facility Idling Process" section of Schedule A of the Transition Services Agreement; or (E) for environmental Liabilities with respect to real property formerly owned, operated or leased by Sellers (as of the Closing), which, in the case of clauses (A), (B) and (C), arose prior to or at the Closing, and which, in the case of clause (D) and (E), arise prior to, at or after the Closing;

(p) Section 2.3(b)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all workers' compensation Claims with respect to Employees residing or employed in, as the case may be and as defined by applicable Law, the states set forth on <u>Exhibit G</u> (collectively, "<u>Retained Workers' Compensation</u> <u>Claims</u>");

(q) Section 3.2(a) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

of:

(a) The purchase price (the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") shall be equal to the sum

(i) a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid in an amount equal to: (A) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing pursuant to the UST Credit Facilities, and (B) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing under the DIP Facility, <u>less</u> \$8,247,488,605 of Indebtedness under the DIP Facility (such amount, the "<u>UST Credit Bid Amount</u>");

(ii) the UST Warrant (which the Parties agree has a value of no less than \$1,000);

(iii) the valid issuance by Purchaser to Parent of (A) 50,000,000 shares of Common Stock (collectively, the "<u>Parent Shares</u>") and (B) the Parent Warrants; and

(iv) the assumption by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries of the Assumed Liabilities.

For the avoidance of doubt, immediately following the Closing, the only indebtedness for borrowed money (or any guarantees thereof) of Sellers and their Subsidiaries to Sponsor, Canada and Export Development Canada is amounts under the Wind Down Facility.

(r) **Section 3.2(c)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(c)

Sellers may, at any time, seek an Order of the Bankruptcy (i) Court (the "Claims Estimate Order"), which Order may be the Order confirming Sellers' Chapter 11 plan, estimating the aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates. If in the Claims Estimate Order, the Bankruptcy Court makes a finding that the estimated aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates exceed \$35,000,000,000, then Purchaser will, within five (5) Business Days of entry of the Claims Estimate Order, issue additional shares of Common Stock (the "Adjustment Shares") to Parent, as an adjustment to the Purchase Price, based on the extent by which such estimated aggregate general unsecured claims exceed \$35,000,000,000 (such amount, the "Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount;" in the event this amount exceeds \$7,000,000,000 the Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount will be reduced to a cap of \$7,000,000,000). The number of Adjustment Shares to be issued will be equal to the number of shares, rounded up to the next whole share, calculated by multiplying (i) 10,000,000 shares of Common Stock (adjusted to take into account any stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, reorganization or similar transaction with respect to the

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Common Stock, effected from and after the Closing and before issuance of the Adjustment Shares) and (ii) a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount (capped at \$7,000,000,000) and (B) the denominator of which is \$7,000,000,000.

(ii) At the Closing, Purchaser will have authorized and, thereafter, will reserve for issuance the maximum number of shares of Common Stock issuable as Adjustment Shares.

(s) **Section 6.9(b)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(b) Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to agree with Sponsor on the terms of a restructuring of \$1,175,000,000 of Indebtedness accrued under the DIP Facility (as restructured, the "<u>Wind Down Facility</u>") to provide for such Wind Down Facility to be non-recourse, to accrue payment-in-kind interest at the Eurodollar Rate (as defined in the Wind-Down Facility) plus 300 basis points, to be secured by all assets of Sellers (other than the Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares, Parent Warrants and any securities or proceeds received in respect thereof). Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to enter into definitive financing agreements with respect to the Wind Down Facility so that such agreements are in effect as promptly as practicable but in any event no later than the Closing.

(t) **Section 6.17(e)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Assumption of Certain Parent Employee Benefit Plans and (e) Policies. As of the Closing Date, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall assume (i) the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies set forth on Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as modified thereon, and all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto, except for any that do not comply in all respects with TARP or as otherwise provided in Section 6.17(h) and (ii) all employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements (whether written or oral) in which Employees who are covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement participate and all assets, trusts, insurance and other Contracts relating thereto (collectively, the "Assumed Plans"), and Sellers and Purchaser shall cooperate with each other to take all actions and execute and deliver all documents and furnish all notices necessary to establish Purchaser or one of its Affiliates as the sponsor of such Assumed Plans including all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto. Other than with respect to any Employee who was or is covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, Purchaser shall have no Liability with respect to any modifications or changes to Benefit Plans contemplated by Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, or changes made by Parent prior to the Closing Date, and Purchaser shall not assume any Liability with respect to any such decisions or actions related thereto, and Purchaser shall only assume the Liabilities for benefits provided pursuant to the written terms and conditions of

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the Assumed Plan as of the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the assumption of the Assumed Plans is subject to Purchaser taking all necessary action, including reduction of benefits, to ensure that the Assumed Plans comply in all respects with TARP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, but subject to the terms of any Collective Bargaining Agreement to which Purchaser or one of its Affiliates is a party, Purchaser and its Affiliates may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend or terminate any such Assumed Plan at any time in accordance with its terms.

(u) A new Section 6.17(n) is hereby added to the Purchase Agreement to read as follows:

(n) Harlem Employees. With respect to non-UAW employees of Harlem, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates may make offers of employment to such individuals at its discretion. With respect to UAW-represented employees of Harlem and such other non-UAW employees who accept offers of employment with Purchaser or one of its Affiliates, in addition to obligations under the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement with respect to UAW-represented employees, Purchaser shall assume all Liabilities arising out of, relating to or in connection with the salaries and/or wages and vacation of all such individuals that are accrued and unpaid (or with respect to vacation, unused) as of the Closing Date. With respect to non-UAW employees of Harlem who accept such offers of employment, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall take all actions necessary such that such individuals shall be credited for their actual and credited service with Sellers and each of their respective Affiliates, for purposes of eligibility, vesting and benefit accrual in any employee benefit plans (excluding equity compensation plans or programs) covering such individuals after the Closing; provided, however, that such crediting of service shall not operate to duplicate any benefit to any such individual or the funding for any such benefit. Purchaser or one of its Affiliates, in its sole discretion, may assume certain employee benefit plans maintained by Harlem by delivering written notice (which such notice shall indentify such employee benefit plans of Harlem to be assumed) to Sellers of such assumption on or before the Closing, and upon delivery of such notice, such employee benefit plans shall automatically be deemed to be set forth on Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules. All such employee benefit plans that are assumed by Purchaser or one of its Affiliates pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be deemed to be Assumed Plans for purposes of this Agreement.

(v) A new **Section 6.36** is hereby added to the Purchase Agreement to read as follows:

Section 6.36 Advanced Technology Credits. The Parties agree that Purchaser shall, to the extent permissible by applicable Law (including all rules, regulations and policies pertaining to Advanced Technology Projects), be entitled to receive full credit for expenditures incurred by Sellers prior to the Closing towards Advanced Technology Projects for the purpose of any current or future program sponsored by a Governmental Authority providing financial assistance in connection with any such project, including any program pursuant to Section 136 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 ("<u>Advanced Technology</u> <u>Credits</u>"), and acknowledge that the Purchase Price includes and represents consideration for the full value of such expenditures incurred by Sellers.

(w) Section 7.2(c)(vi) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(vi) [Reserved];

(x) Section 7.2(c)(vii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(vii) [Reserved];

(y) **Section 7.3(c)(viii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(viii) [Reserved];

(z) Section 7.3(c)(ix) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(ix) [*Reserved*];

(aa) Section 7.3(f) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(f) Purchaser shall have (i) offset the UST Credit Bid Amount against the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries owed to Purchaser as of the Closing under the UST Credit Facilities and the DIP Facility pursuant to a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid and delivered releases and waivers and related Encumbrance-release documentation (including, if applicable, UCC-3 termination statements) with respect to the UST Credit Bid Amount, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by Purchaser in accordance with the applicable requirements in effect on the date hereof, (ii) transferred to Sellers the UST Warrant and (iii) issued to Parent, in accordance with instructions provided by Parent, the Purchaser Shares and the Parent Warrants (duly executed by Purchaser).

(bb) **<u>Exhibit R</u>** to the Purchase Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety.

(cc) **Exhibit S** to the Purchase Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety.

(dd) <u>**Exhibit** U</u> to the Purchase Agreement is hereby replaced in its entirety with <u>**Exhibit** U</u> attached hereto.

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(ee) <u>**Exhibit X**</u> to the Purchase Agreement is hereby replaced in its entirety with <u>**Exhibit X**</u> attached hereto.

(ff) Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is hereby replaced in its entirety with Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule attached hereto.

(gg) Section 4.4 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is hereby replaced in its entirety with Section 4.4 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule attached hereto.

(hh) Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is hereby replaced in its entirety with Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule attached hereto.

Section 3. *Effectiveness of Amendment.* Upon the execution and delivery hereof, the Purchase Agreement shall thereupon be deemed to be amended and restated as set forth in <u>Section 2</u>, as fully and with the same effect as if such amendments and restatements were originally set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 4. *Ratification of Purchase Agreement; Incorporation by Reference.* Except as specifically provided for in this Amendment, the Purchase Agreement is hereby confirmed and ratified in all respects and shall be and remain in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. This Amendment is subject to all of the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Purchase Agreement, including **Article IX** thereof, which sections are hereby incorporated into this Amendment, mutatis mutandis, as if they were set forth in their entirety herein.

Section 5. *Counterparts*. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. All signatures of the Parties may be transmitted by facsimile or electronic delivery, and each such facsimile signature or electronic delivery signature (including a pdf signature) will, for all purposes, be deemed to be the original signature of the Party whose signature it reproduces and be binding upon such Party.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Parties hereto has caused this Amendment to be executed by its duly authorized officer, in each case as of the date first written above.

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By:

Name: Jill Lajdziak Title: President

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CHEVROLET-SATURN OF HARLEM, INC.

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NGMCO, INC.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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In re	:	Chapter 11 Case No.
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GENERAL MOTORS CORP., et al.,	:	09-50026 (REG)
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Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
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## ORDER (I) AUTHORIZING SALE OF ASSETS PURSUANT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH NGMCO, INC., A U.S. TREASURY-SPONSORED PURCHASER; (II) AUTHORIZING ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES IN CONNECTION WITH THE SALE; AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion, dated June 1, 2009 (the "**Motion**"), of General Motors Corporation ("**GM**") and its affiliated debtors, as debtors in possession (collectively, the "**Debtors**"), pursuant to sections 105, 363, and 365 of title 11, United States Code (the "**Bankruptcy Code**") and Rules 2002, 6004, and 6006 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "**Bankruptcy Rules**") for, among other things, entry of an order authorizing and approving (A) that certain Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2009, by and among GM and its Debtor subsidiaries (collectively, the "**Sellers**") and NGMCO, Inc., as successor in interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC (the "**Purchaser**"), a purchaser sponsored by the United States Department of the Treasury (the "**U.S. Treasury**"), together with all related documents and agreements as well as all exhibits, schedules, and addenda thereto (as amended, the "**MPA**"), a copy of which is annexed hereto as Exhibit "A" (excluding the exhibits and schedules thereto); (B) the sale of the Purchased Assets<sup>1</sup> to the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion or the MPA.

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Purchaser free and clear of liens, claims, encumbrances, and interests (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability; (C) the assumption and assignment of the Assumable Executory Contracts; (D) the establishment of certain Cure Amounts; and (E) the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement (as defined below); and the Court having jurisdiction to consider the Motion and the relief requested therein in accordance with 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Standing Order M-61 Referring to Bankruptcy Judges for the Southern District of New York of Any and All Proceedings Under Title 11, dated July 10, 1984 (Ward, Acting C.J.); and consideration of the Motion 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 due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided in accordance with this Court's Order, dated June 2, 2009 (the "Sale Procedures Order"), and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and a hearing having been held on June 30 through July 2, 2009, to consider the relief requested in the Motion (the "Sale Hearing"); and upon the record of the Sale Hearing, including all affidavits and declarations submitted in connection therewith, and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and the Court having reviewed the Motion and all objections thereto (the "Objections") and found and determined that the relief sought in the Motion is necessary to avoid immediate and irreparable harm to the Debtors and their estates, as contemplated by Bankruptcy Rule 6003 and is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and other parties in interest and that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is

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#### FOUND AND DETERMINED THAT:

A. The findings and conclusions set forth herein <u>and in the Court's Decision</u> <u>dated July 5, 2009 (the "**Decision**") constitute the Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law</u> pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 9014.

B. To the extent any of the following findings of fact <u>or Findings of Fact in</u> <u>the Decision</u> constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law <u>or Conclusions of Law in the Decision</u> constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

C. This Court has jurisdiction over the Motion, the MPA, and the 363 Transaction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and this matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A) and (N). Venue of these cases and the Motion in this District is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

D. The statutory predicates for the relief sought in the Motion are sections 105(a), 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code as supplemented by Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, and 6006.

E. As evidenced by the affidavits and certificates of service and Publication Notice previously filed with the Court, in light of the exigent circumstances of these chapter 11 cases and the wasting nature of the Purchased Assets and based on the representations of counsel at the Sale Procedures Hearing and the Sale Hearing, (i) proper, timely, adequate, and sufficient notice of the Motion, the Sale Procedures, the 363 Transaction, the procedures for assuming and assigning the Assumable Executory Contracts as described in the Sale Procedures Order and as modified herein (the "**Modified Assumption and Assignment Procedures**"), the UAW Retiree

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Settlement Agreement, and the Sale Hearing have been provided in accordance with Bankruptcy Rules 2002(a), 6004(a), and 6006(c) and in compliance with the Sale Procedures Order; (ii) such notice was good and sufficient, reasonable, and appropriate under the particular circumstances of these chapter 11 cases, and reasonably calculated to reach and apprise all holders of liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, about the Sale Procedures, the sale of the Purchased Assets, the 363 Transaction, and the assumption and assignment of the Assumable Executory Contracts, and to reach all UAW-Represented Retirees about the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement and the terms of that certain Letter Agreement, dated May 29, 2009, between GM, the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America (the "UAW"), and Stember, Feinstein, Doyle & Payne, LLC (the "UAW Claims Agreement") relating thereto; and (iii) no other or further notice of the Motion, the 363 Transaction, the Sale Procedures, the Modified Assumption and Assignment Procedures, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the UAW Claims Agreement, and the Sale Hearing or any matters in connection therewith is or shall be required. With respect to parties who may have claims against the Debtors, but whose identities are not reasonably ascertainable by the Debtors (including, but not limited to, potential contingent warranty claims against the Debtors), the Publication Notice was sufficient and reasonably calculated under the circumstances to reach such parties.

F. On June 1, 2009, this Court entered the Sale Procedures Order approving the Sale Procedures for the Purchased Assets. The Sale Procedures provided a full, fair, and reasonable opportunity for any entity to make an offer to purchase the Purchased Assets. The Debtors received no bids under the Sale Procedures for the Purchased Assets. Therefore, the Purchaser's bid was designated as the Successful Bid pursuant to the Sale Procedures Order.

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G. As demonstrated by (i) the Motion, (ii) the testimony and other evidence proffered or adduced at the Sale Hearing, and (iii) the representations of counsel made on the record at the Sale Hearing, in light of the exigent circumstances presented, (a) the Debtors have adequately marketed the Purchased Assets and conducted the sale process in compliance with the Sale Procedures Order; (b) a reasonable opportunity has been given to any interested party to make a higher or better offer for the Purchased Assets; (c) the consideration provided for in the MPA constitutes the highest or otherwise best offer for the Purchased Assets and provides fair and reasonable consideration for the Purchased Assets; (d) the 363 Transaction is a sale of deteriorating assets and the only alternative to liquidation available for the Debtors; (e) if the 363 Transaction is not approved, the Debtors will be forced to cease operations altogether; (f) the failure to approve the 363 Transaction promptly will lead to systemic failure and dire consequences, including the loss of hundreds of thousands of auto-related jobs; (g) prompt approval of the 363 Transaction is the only means to preserve and maximize the value of the Debtors' assets: (h) the 363 Transaction maximizes fair value for the Debtors' parties in interest; (i) the Debtors are receiving fair value for the assets being sold; (j) the 363 Transaction will provide a greater recovery for the Debtors' creditors than would be provided by any other practical available alternative, including liquidation under chapters 7 or 11 of the Bankruptcy Code; (k) no other entity has offered to purchase the Purchased Assets for greater economic value to the Debtors or their estates; (1) the consideration to be paid by the Purchaser under the MPA exceeds the liquidation value of the Purchased Assets; and (m) the Debtors' determination that the MPA constitutes the highest or best offer for the Purchased Assets and that the 363 Transaction represents a better alternative for the Debtors' parties in interest than an immediate liquidation constitute valid and sound exercises of the Debtors' business judgment.

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H. The actions represented to be taken by the Sellers and the Purchaser are appropriate under the circumstances of these chapter 11 cases and are in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and other parties in interest.

I. Approval of the MPA and consummation of the 363 Transaction at this time is in the best interests of the Debtors, their creditors, their estates, and all other parties in interest.

J. The Debtors have demonstrated compelling circumstances and a good, sufficient, and sound business purpose and justification for the sale of the Purchased Assets pursuant to the 363 Transaction prior to, and outside of, a plan of reorganization and for the immediate approval of the MPA and the 363 Transaction because, among other things, the Debtors' estates will suffer immediate and irreparable harm if the relief requested in the Motion is not granted on an expedited basis. In light of the exigent circumstances of these chapter 11 cases and the risk of deterioration in the going concern value of the Purchased Assets pending the 363 Transaction, time is of the essence in (i) consummating the 363 Transaction, (ii) preserving the viability of the Debtors' businesses as going concerns, and (iii) minimizing the widespread and adverse economic consequences for the Debtors, their estates, their creditors, employees, the automotive industry, and the national economy that would be threatened by protracted proceedings in these chapter 11 cases.

K. The consideration provided by the Purchaser pursuant to the MPA (i) is fair and reasonable, (ii) is the highest and best offer for the Purchased Assets, (iii) will provide a greater recovery to the Debtors' estates than would be provided by any other available alternative, and (iv) constitutes reasonably equivalent value and fair consideration under the Bankruptcy Code and under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession, or the District of Columbia.

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L. The 363 Transaction must be approved and consummated as promptly as practicable in order to preserve the viability of the business to which the Purchased Assets relate as a going concern.

M. The MPA was not entered into and none of the Debtors, the Purchaser, or the Purchasers' present or contemplated owners have entered into the MPA or propose to consummate the 363 Transaction for the purpose of hindering, delaying, or defrauding the Debtors' present or future creditors. None of the Debtors, the Purchaser, nor the Purchaser's present or contemplated owners is entering into the MPA or proposing to consummate the 363 Transaction fraudulently for the purpose of statutory and common law fraudulent conveyance and fraudulent transfer claims whether under the Bankruptcy Code or under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, or possession thereof, or the District of Columbia, or any other applicable jurisdiction with laws substantially similar to any of the foregoing.

N. In light of the extensive prepetition negotiations culminating in the MPA, the Purchaser's commitment to consummate the 363 Transaction is clear without the need to provide a good faith deposit.

O. Each Debtor (i) has full corporate power and authority to execute the MPA and all other documents contemplated thereby, and the sale of the Purchased Assets has been duly and validly authorized by all necessary corporate action of each of the Debtors, (ii) has all of the corporate power and authority necessary to consummate the transactions contemplated by the MPA, (iii) has taken all corporate action necessary to authorize and approve the MPA and the consummation by the Debtors of the transactions contemplated thereby, and (iv) subject to entry of this Order, needs no consents or approvals, other than those expressly provided for in the MPA which may be waived by the Purchaser, to consummate such transactions.

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P. The consummation of the 363 Transaction outside of a plan of reorganization pursuant to the MPA neither impermissibly restructures the rights of the Debtors' creditors, allocates or distributes any of the sale proceeds, nor impermissibly dictates the terms of a liquidating plan of reorganization for the Debtors. The 363 Transaction does not constitute a *sub rosa* plan of reorganization. The 363 Transaction in no way dictates distribution of the Debtors' property to creditors and does not impinge upon any chapter 11 plan that may be confirmed.

Q. The MPA and the 363 Transaction were negotiated, proposed, and entered into by the Sellers and the Purchaser without collusion, in good faith, and from arm's-length bargaining positions. Neither the Sellers, the Purchaser, the U.S. Treasury, nor their respective agents, officials, personnel, representatives, and advisors, has engaged in any conduct that would cause or permit the MPA to be avoided under 11 U.S.C. § 363(n).

R. The Purchaser is a newly-formed Delaware corporation that, as of the date of the Sale Hearing, is wholly-owned by the U.S. Treasury. The Purchaser is a good faith purchaser under section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code and, as such, is entitled to all of the protections afforded thereby.

S. Neither the Purchaser, the U.S. Treasury, nor their respective agents, officials, personnel, representatives, or advisors is an "insider" of any of the Debtors, as that term is defined in section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code.

T. Upon the Closing of the 363 Transaction, the Debtors will transfer to the Purchaser substantially all of its assets. In exchange, the Purchaser will provide the Debtors with (i) cancellation of billions of dollars in secured debt; (ii) assumption by the Purchaser of a portion of the Debtors' business obligations and liabilities that the Purchaser will satisfy; and (iii) no less than 10% of the Common Stock of the Purchaser as of the Closing (100% of which the

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Debtors' retained financial advisor values at between \$38 billion and \$48 billion) and warrants to purchase an additional 15% of the Common Stock of the Purchaser as of the Closing, the combination of which the Debtors' retained financial advisor values at between \$7.4 billion and \$9.8 billion (which amount, for the avoidance of doubt, does not include any amount for the Adjustment Shares).

U. The Purchaser, not the Debtors, has determined its ownership composition and capital structure. The Purchaser will assign ownership interests to certain parties based on the Purchaser's belief that the transfer is necessary to conduct its business going forward, that the transfer is to attain goodwill and consumer confidence for the Purchaser and to increase the Purchaser's sales after completion of the 363 Transaction. The assignment by the Purchaser of ownership interests is neither a distribution of estate assets, discrimination by the Debtors on account of prepetition claims, nor the assignment of proceeds from the sale of the Debtors' assets. The assignment of equity to the New VEBA (as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement) and 7176384 Canada Inc. is the product of separately negotiated arm's-length agreements between the Purchaser and its equity holders and their respective representatives and advisors. Likewise, the value that the Debtors will receive on consummation of the 363 Transaction is the product of arm's-length negotiations between the Debtors, the Purchaser, the U.S. Treasury, and their respective representatives and advisors.

V. The U.S. Treasury and Export Development Canada ("**EDC**"), on behalf of the Governments of Canada and Ontario, have extended credit to, and acquired a security interest in, the assets of the Debtors as set forth in the DIP Facility and as authorized by the interim and final orders approving the DIP Facility (Docket Nos. 292 and 2529, respectively). Before entering into the DIP Facility and the Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2008 (the "**Existing UST Loan Agreement**"), the Secretary of the Treasury, in

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consultation with the Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and as communicated to the appropriate committees of Congress, found that the extension of credit to the Debtors is "necessary to promote financial market stability," and is a valid use of funds pursuant to the statutory authority granted to the Secretary of the Treasury under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, 12 U.S.C. §§ 5201 et seq. ("**EESA**"). The U.S. Treasury's extension of credit to, and resulting security interest in, the Debtors, as set forth in the DIP Facility and the Existing UST Loan Agreement and as authorized in the interim and final orders approving the DIP Facility, is a valid use of funds pursuant to EESA.

W. The DIP Facility and the Existing UST Loan Agreement are loans and

shall not be recharacterized. The Court has already approved the DIP Facility. The Existing

UST Loan Agreement bears the undisputed hallmarks of a loan, not an equity investment.

Among other things:

(i) The U.S. Treasury structured its prepetition transactions with GM as (a) a loan, made pursuant to and governed by the Existing UST Loan Agreement, in addition to (b) a separate, and separately documented, equity component in the form of warrants;

(ii) The Existing UST Loan Agreement has customary terms and covenants of a loan rather than an equity investment. For example, the Existing UST Loan Agreement contains provisions for repayment and pre-payment, and provides for remedies in the event of a default;

(iii) The Existing UST Loan Agreement is secured by first liens (subject to certain permitted encumbrances) on GM's and the guarantors' equity interests in most of their domestic subsidiaries and certain of their foreign subsidiaries (limited in most cases to 65% of the equity interests of the pledged foreign subsidiaries), intellectual property, domestic real estate (other than manufacturing plants or facilities) inventory that was not pledged to other lenders, and cash and cash equivalents in the United States;

(iv) The U.S. Treasury also received junior liens on certain additional collateral, and thus, its claim for recovery on such collateral under the Existing UST Loan Agreement is, in part, junior to the claims of other creditors;

(v) the Existing UST Loan Agreement requires the grant of security by its terms, as well as by separate collateral documents, including: (a) a guaranty and

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security agreement, (b) an equity pledge agreement, (c) mortgages and deeds of trust, and (d) an intellectual property pledge agreement;

(vi) Loans under the Existing UST Loan Agreement are interestbearing with a rate of 3.00% over the 3-month LIBOR with a LIBOR floor of 2.00%. The Default Rate on this loan is 5.00% above the non-default rate.

(vii) The U.S. Treasury always treated the loans under the Existing UST Loan Agreement as debt, and advances to GM under the Existing Loan Agreement were conditioned upon GM's demonstration to the United States Government of a viable plan to regain competitiveness and repay the loans.

(viii) The U.S. Treasury has acted as a prudent lender seeking to protect its investment and thus expressly conditioned its financial commitment upon GM's meaningful progress toward long-term viability.

Other secured creditors of the Debtors also clearly recognized the loans under the Existing UST Loan Agreement as debt by entering into intercreditor agreements with the U.S. Treasury in

order to set forth the secured lenders' respective prepetition priority.

X. This Court has previously authorized the Purchaser to credit bid the

amounts owed under both the DIP Facility and the Existing UST Loan Agreement and held the

Purchaser's credit bid to be, for all purposes, a "Qualified Bid" under the Sale Procedures Order.

Y. The Debtors, the Purchaser, and the UAW, as the exclusive collective

bargaining representative of the Debtors' UAW-represented employees and the authorized representative of the persons in the Class and the Covered Group (as described in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement) (the "**UAW-Represented Retirees**") under section 1114(c) of

Refire Settement Agreement) (the OAW-Represented Refires ) under section 1114(c) of

the Bankruptcy Code, engaged in good faith negotiations in conjunction with the 363

Transaction regarding the funding of "retiree benefits" within the meaning of section 1114(a) of

the Bankruptcy Code and related matters. Conditioned upon the consummation of the 363

Transaction and the approval of the Bankruptcy Court granted in this Order, the Purchaser and

the UAW will enter into that certain Retiree Settlement Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date

(the "UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement"), which is Exhibit D to the MPA, which resolves

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issues with respect to the provision of certain retiree benefits to UAW-Represented Retirees as described in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement. As set forth in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the Purchaser has agreed to make contributions of cash, stock, and warrants of the Purchaser to the New VEBA (as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement), which will have the obligation to fund certain health and welfare benefits for the UAW-Represented Retirees. The New VEBA will also be funded by the transfer of assets from the Existing External VEBA and the assets in the UAW Related Account of the Existing Internal VEBA (each as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement). GM and the UAW, as the authorized representative of the UAW-Represented Retirees, as well as the representatives for the class of plaintiffs in a certain class action against GM (the "Class Representatives"), through class counsel, Stemper, Feinstein, Doyle and Payne LLC ("Class Counsel"), negotiated in good faith the UAW Claims Agreement, which requires the UAW and the Class Representatives to take actions to effectuate the withdrawal of certain claims against the Debtors, among others, relating to retiree benefits in the event the 363 Transaction is consummated and the Bankruptcy Court approves, and the Purchaser becomes fully bound by, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, subject to reinstatement of such claims to the extent of any adverse impact to the rights or benefits of UAW-Represented Retirees under the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement resulting from any reversal or modification of the 363 Transaction, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, or the approval of the Bankruptcy Court thereof, the foregoing as subject to the terms of, and as set forth in, the UAW Claims Agreement.

Z. Effective as of the Closing of the 363 Transaction, the Debtors will assume and assign to the Purchaser the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and all liabilities thereunder. The Debtors, the Purchaser, the UAW and Class Representatives intend that their actions in connection with the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement and related undertakings

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incorporate the compromise of certain claims and rights and shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of 29 U.S.C. § 186(c)(2).

The transfer of the Purchased Assets to the Purchaser will be a legal, valid, AA. and effective transfer of the Purchased Assets and, except for the Assumed Liabilities, will vest the Purchaser with all right, title, and interest of the Sellers to the Purchased Assets free and clear of liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims (for purposes of this Order, the term "claim" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code) based on any successor or transferee liability, including, but not limited to (i) those that purport to give to any party a right or option to effect any forfeiture, modification, right of first refusal, or termination of the Sellers' or the Purchaser's interest in the Purchased Assets, or any similar rights and (ii) (a) those arising under all mortgages, deeds of trust, security interests, conditional sale or other title retention agreements, pledges, liens, judgments, demands, encumbrances, rights of first refusal or charges of any kind or nature, if any, including, but not limited to, any restriction on the use, voting, transfer, receipt of income, or other exercise of any attributes of ownership and (b) all claims arising in any way in connection with any agreements, acts, or failures to act, of any of the Sellers or any of the Sellers' predecessors or affiliates, whether known or unknown, contingent or otherwise, whether arising prior to or subsequent to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, and whether imposed by agreement, understanding, law, equity or otherwise, including, but not limited to, claims otherwise arising under doctrines of successor or transferee liability.

BB. The Sellers may sell the Purchased Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, because, in each case, one or more of the standards set forth in section 363(f)(1)-(5) of the

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Bankruptcy Code has been satisfied. Those (i) holders of liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, and (ii) non-Debtor parties to the Assumable Executory Contracts who did not object, or who withdrew their Objections, to the 363 Transaction or the Motion are deemed to have consented pursuant to section 363(f)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code. Those (i) holders of liens, claims, and encumbrances, and (ii) non-Debtor parties to the Assumable Executory Contracts who did object, fall within one or more of the other subsections of section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code and, to the extent they have valid and enforceable liens or encumbrances, are adequately protected by having such liens or encumbrances, if any, attach to the proceeds of the 363 Transaction ultimately attributable to the property against or in which they assert a lien or encumbrance. To the extent liens or encumbrances secure liabilities that are Assumed Liabilities under this Order and the MPA, no such liens or encumbrances shall attach to the proceeds of the 363 Transaction.

CC. Under the MPA, GM is transferring all of its right, title, and interest in the Memphis, TN SPO Warehouse and the White Marsh, MD Allison Transmission Plant (the "**TPC Property**") to the Purchaser pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code free and clear of all liens (including, without limitation, the TPC Liens (as hereinafter defined)), claims, interests, and encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances). For purposes of this Order, "**TPC Liens**" shall mean and refer to any liens on the TPC Property granted or extended pursuant to the TPC Participation Agreement and any claims relating to that certain Second Amended and Restated Participation Agreement and Amendment of Other Operative Documents (the "**TPC Participation Agreement**"), dated as of June 30, 2004, among GM, as Lessee, Wilmington Trust Company, a Delaware corporation, not in its individual capacity except as expressly stated herein but solely as Owner Trustee (the "**TPC Trustee**") under GM Facilities Trust No. 1999-I (the "**TPC Trust**"), as Lessor, GM, as Certificate Holder, Hannover Funding Company LLC, as

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CP Lender, Wells Fargo Bank Northwest, N.A., as Agent, Norddeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale (New York Branch), as Administrator, and Deutsche Bank, AG, New York Branch, HSBC Bank USA, ABN AMRO Bank N.V., Royal Bank of Canada, Bank of America, N.A., Citicorp USA, Inc., Merrill Lynch Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Bank, collectively, as Purchasers (collectively, with CP Lender, Agent and Administrator, the "**TPC Lenders**"), together with the Operative Documents (as defined in the TPC Participation Agreements (the "**TPC Operative Documents**").

The Purchaser would not have entered into the MPA and would not DD. consummate the 363 Transaction (i) if the sale of the Purchased Assets was not free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability or (ii) if the Purchaser would, or in the future could, be liable for any such liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability (collectively, the "Retained Liabilities"), other than, in each case, the Assumed Liabilities. The Purchaser will not consummate the 363 Transaction unless this Court expressly orders that none of the Purchaser, its affiliates, their present or contemplated members or shareholders (other than the Debtors as the holder of equity in the Purchaser), or the Purchased Assets will have any liability whatsoever with respect to, or be required to satisfy in any manner, whether at law or equity, or by payment, setoff, or otherwise, directly or indirectly, any liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability or Retained Liabilities, other than as expressly provided herein or in agreements made by the Debtors and/or the Purchaser on the record at the Sale Hearing or in the MPA.

EE. The Debtors have demonstrated that it is an exercise of their sound business judgment to assume and assign the Purchased Contracts to the Purchaser in connection

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with the consummation of the 363 Transaction, and the assumption and assignment of the Purchased Contracts is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and creditors, and other parties in interest. The Purchased Contracts being assigned to, and the liabilities being assumed by, the Purchaser are an integral part of the Purchased Assets being purchased by the Purchaser, and, accordingly, such assumption and assignment of the Purchased Contracts and liabilities are reasonable, enhance the value of the Debtors' estates, and do not constitute unfair discrimination.

FF. For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything else in this

### Order to the contrary:

- The Debtors are neither assuming nor assigning to the Purchaser the agreement to provide certain retiree medical benefits specified in (i) the Memorandum of Understanding Post-Retirement Medical Care, dated September 26, 2007, between the Company and the UAW, and (ii) the Settlement Agreement, dated February 21, 2008, between the Company and the UAW (together, the "**VEBA Settlement Agreement**");
- at the Closing, and in accordance with the MPA, the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, and all liabilities thereunder, shall be assumed by the Debtors and assigned to the Purchaser pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. Assumption and assignment of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement is integral to the 363 Transaction and the MPA, are in the best interests of the Debtors and their estates, creditors, employees, and retirees, and represent the exercise of the Debtors' sound business judgment, enhances the value of the Debtors' estates, and does not constitute unfair discrimination;
- the UAW, as the exclusive collective bargaining representative of employees of the Purchaser and the "authorized representative" of the UAW-Represented Retirees under section 1114(c) of the Bankruptcy Code, GM, and the Purchaser engaged in good faith negotiations in conjunction with the 363 Transaction regarding the funding of retiree health benefits within the meaning of section 1114(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. Conditioned upon the consummation of the 363 Transaction, the UAW and the Purchaser have entered into the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, which, among other things, provides for the financing by the Purchaser of modified retiree health care obligations for the Class and Covered Group (as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement) through contributions by the Purchaser (as referenced in paragraph Y herein). The New VEBA will also be funded by the transfer of the UAW Related Account from the Existing Internal VEBA and the assets of the Existing External VEBA to the New VEBA (each as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement). The Debtors, the

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Purchaser, and the UAW specifically intend that their actions in connection with the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement and related undertakings incorporate the compromise of certain claims and rights and shall be deemed to satisfy the requirements of 29 U.S.C. § 186(c)(2);

• the Debtors' sponsorship of the Existing Internal VEBA (as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement) shall be transferred to the Purchaser under the MPA.

GG. The Debtors have (i) cured and/or provided adequate assurance of cure (through the Purchaser) of any default existing prior to the date hereof under any of the Purchased Contracts that have been designated by the Purchaser for assumption and assignment under the MPA, within the meaning of section 365(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code, and (ii) provided compensation or adequate assurance of compensation through the Purchaser to any party for any actual pecuniary loss to such party resulting from a default prior to the date hereof under any of the Purchased Contracts, within the meaning of section 365(b)(1)(B) of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Purchaser has provided adequate assurance of future performance under the Purchased Contracts, within the meaning of section 365(b)(1)(C) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Modified Assumption and Assignment Procedures are fair, appropriate, and effective and, upon the payment by the Purchaser of all Cure Amounts (as hereinafter defined) and approval of the assumption and assignment for a particular Purchased Contract thereunder, the Debtors shall be forever released from any and all liability under the Purchased Contracts.

HH. The Debtors are the sole and lawful owners of the Purchased Assets, and no other person has any ownership right, title, or interest therein. The Debtors' non-Debtor Affiliates have acknowledged and agreed to the 363 Transaction and, as required by, and in accordance with, the MPA and the Transition Services Agreement, transferred any legal, equitable, or beneficial right, title, or interest they may have in or to the Purchased Assets to the Purchaser.

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II. The Debtors currently maintain certain privacy policies that govern the use of "personally identifiable information" (as defined in section 101(41A) of the Bankruptcy Code) in conducting their business operations. The 363 Transaction may contemplate the transfer of certain personally identifiable information to the Purchaser in a manner that may not be consistent with certain aspects of their existing privacy policies. Accordingly, on June 2, 2009, the Court directed the U.S. Trustee to promptly appoint a consumer privacy ombudsman in accordance with section 332 of the Bankruptcy Code, and such ombudsman was appointed on June 10, 2009. The Privacy Ombudsman is a disinterested person as required by section 332(a) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Privacy Ombudsman filed his report with the Court on July 1, 2009 (Docket No. 2873) (the "Ombudsman Report") and presented his report at the Sale Hearing, and the Ombudsman Report has been reviewed and considered by the Court. The Court has given due consideration to the facts, including the exigent circumstances surrounding the conditions of the sale of personally identifiable information in connection with the 363 Transaction. No showing has been made that the sale of personally identifiable information in connection with the 363 Transaction in accordance with the provisions of this Order violates applicable nonbankruptcy law, and the Court concludes that such sale is appropriate in conjunction with the 363 Transaction.

JJ. Pursuant to Section 6.7(a) of the MPA, GM offered Wind-Down Agreements and Deferred Termination Agreements (collectively, the "<u>Deferred Termination</u> <u>Agreements</u>") in forms prescribed by the MPA to franchised motor vehicle dealers, including dealers authorized to sell and service vehicles marketed under the Pontiac brand (which is being discontinued), dealers authorized to sell and service vehicles marketed under the Hummer, Saturn and Saab brands (which may or may not be discontinued depending on whether the brands are sold to third parties) and dealers authorized to sell and service vehicles marketed

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under brands which will be continued by the Purchaser. The Deferred Termination Agreements were offered as an alternative to rejection of the existing Dealer Sales and Service Agreements of these dealers pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and provide substantial additional benefits to dealers which enter into such agreements. Approximately 99% of the dealers offered Deferred Termination Agreements accepted and executed those agreements and did so for good and sufficient consideration.

KK. Pursuant to Section 6.7(b) of the MPA, GM offered Participation Agreements in the form prescribed by the MPA to dealers identified as candidates for a long term relationship with the Purchaser. The Participation Agreements provide substantial benefits to accepting dealers, as they grant the opportunity for such dealers to enter into a potentially valuable relationship with the Purchaser as a component of a reduced and more efficient dealer network. Approximately 99% of the dealers offered Participation Agreements accepted and executed those agreements.

LL. This Order constitutes approval of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement and the compromise and settlement embodied therein.

MM. This Order constitutes a final order within the meaning of 28 U.S.C. § 158(a). <u>Consistent with Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d)</u>, the Court expressly finds that there is no just reason for delay in the implementation of this Order to the full extent to which those rules provide, but that its Order should not become effective instantaneously. Thus the <u>Court will shorten, but not wholly eliminate, the periods set forth in Fed.R.Bankr.P. 6004(h) and</u> <u>6006, and expressly directs entry of judgment as set forth in accordance with the provisions of</u> <u>Paragraph 70 below</u>.

NOW THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED THAT:

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### **General Provisions**

1. The Motion is granted as provided herein, and entry into and performance under, and in respect of, the MPA and the 363 Transaction is approved.

2. All Objections to the Motion or the relief requested therein that have not been withdrawn, waived, settled, or resolved, and all reservation of rights included in such Objections, are overruled on the merits other than a continuing Objection (each a "Limited Contract Objection") that does not contest or challenge the merits of the 363 Transaction and that is limited to (a) contesting a particular Cure Amount(s) (a "Cure Objection"), (b) determining whether a particular Assumable Executory Contract is an executory contract that may be assumed and/or assigned under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and/or (c) challenging, as to a particular Assumable Executory Contract, whether the Debtors have assumed, or are attempting to assume, such contract in its entirety or whether the Debtors are seeking to assume only part of such contract. A Limited Contract Objection shall include, until resolved, a dispute regarding any Cure Amount that is subject to resolution by the Bankruptcy Court, or pursuant to the dispute resolution procedures established by the Sale Procedures Order or pursuant to agreement of the parties, including agreements under which an objection to the Cure Amount was withdrawn in connection with a reservation of rights under such dispute resolution procedures. Limited Contract Objections shall not constitute objections to the 363 Transaction, and to the extent such Limited Contract Objections remain continuing objections to be resolved before the Court, the hearing to consider each such Limited Contract Objection shall Deleted: July be adjourned to August 3, 2009 at 9:00a.m. (the "Limited Contract Objection Hearing"). Within two (2) business days of the entry of this Order, the Debtors shall serve upon each of the counterparties to the remaining Limited Contract Objections a notice of the Limited Contract Objection Hearing. The Debtors or any party that withdraws, or has withdrawn, a Limited

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Contract Objection without prejudice shall have the right, unless it has agreed otherwise, to schedule the hearing to consider a Limited Contract Objection on not less than fifteen (15) days notice to the Debtors, the counterparties to the subject Assumable Executory Contracts, the Purchaser, and the Creditors' Committee, or within such other time as otherwise may be agreed by the parties.

### Approval of the MPA

3. The MPA, all transactions contemplated thereby, and all the terms and conditions thereof (subject to any modifications contained herein) are approved. If there is any conflict between the MPA, the Sale Procedures Order, and this Order, this Order shall govern.

4. Pursuant to sections 105, 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Debtors are authorized to perform their obligations under, and comply with the terms of, the MPA and consummate the 363 Transaction pursuant to, and in accordance with, the terms and provisions of the MPA and this Order.

5. The Debtors are authorized and directed to execute and deliver, and empowered to perform under, consummate, and implement, the MPA, together with all additional instruments and documents that the Sellers or the Purchaser deem necessary or appropriate to implement the MPA and effectuate the 363 Transaction, and to take all further actions as may reasonably be required by the Purchaser for the purpose of assigning, transferring, granting, conveying, and conferring to the Purchaser or reducing to possession the Purchased Assets or as may be necessary or appropriate to the performance of the obligations as contemplated by the MPA.

6. This Order and the MPA shall be binding in all respects upon the Debtors, their affiliates, all known and unknown creditors of, and holders of equity security interests in, any Debtor, including any holders of liens, claims, encumbrances, or other interests, including

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rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, all non-Debtor parties to the Assumable Executory Contracts, all successors and assigns of the Purchaser, each Seller and their Affiliates and subsidiaries, the Purchased Assets, all interested parties, their successors and assigns, and any trustees appointed in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases or upon a conversion of any of such cases to cases under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code and shall not be subject to rejection. Nothing contained in any chapter 11 plan confirmed in any of the Debtors' chapter 11 cases or the order confirming any such chapter 11 plan shall conflict with or derogate from the provisions of the MPA or this Order.

### Transfer of Purchased Assets Free and Clear

7. Except for the Assumed Liabilities, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Purchased Assets shall be transferred to the Purchaser in accordance with the MPA, and, upon the Closing, shall be free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, and all such liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, and all such liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, shall attach to the net proceeds of the 363 Transaction in the order of their priority, with the same validity, force, and effect that they now have as against the Purchased Assets, subject to any claims and defenses a Seller or any other party in interest may possess with respect thereto.

8. Except as expressly permitted or otherwise specifically provided by the MPA or this Order, all persons and entities, including, but not limited to, all debt security holders, equity security holders, governmental, tax, and regulatory authorities, lenders, trade creditors, dealers, employees, litigation claimants, and other creditors, holding liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever, including rights or claims

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based on any successor or transferee liability, against or in a Seller or the Purchased Assets (whether legal or equitable, secured or unsecured, matured or unmatured, contingent or noncontingent, senior or subordinated), arising under or out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to, the Sellers, the Purchased Assets, the operation of the Purchased Assets prior to the Closing, or the 363 Transaction, are forever barred, estopped, and permanently enjoined <u>(with respect to future claims or demands based on exposure to asbestos, to the fullest extent</u> <u>constitutionally permissible)</u> from asserting against the Purchaser, its successors or assigns, its property, or the Purchased Assets, such persons' or entities' liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests, including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability.

9. This Order (a) shall be effective as a determination that, as of the Closing, (i) no claims other than Assumed Liabilities, will be assertable against the Purchaser, its affiliates, their present or contemplated members or shareholders, successors, or assigns, or any of their respective assets (including the Purchased Assets); (ii) the Purchased Assets shall have been transferred to the Purchaser free and clear of all claims (other than Permitted Encumbrances); and (iii) the conveyances described herein have been effected; and (b) is and shall be binding upon and govern the acts of all entities, including, without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, registrars of patents, trademarks, or other intellectual property, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal and local officials, and all other persons and entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register, or otherwise record or release any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to any lease; and each of the foregoing persons and entities is directed to accept for filing any and all of the documents

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and instruments necessary and appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by the MPA.

10. The transfer of the Purchased Assets to the Purchaser pursuant to the MPA constitutes a legal, valid, and effective transfer of the Purchased Assets and shall vest the Purchaser with all right, title, and interest of the Sellers in and to the Purchased Assets free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, other than the Assumed Liabilities.

11. On the Closing of the 363 Transaction, each of the Sellers' creditors and any other holder of a lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest, is authorized and directed to execute such documents and take all other actions as may be necessary to release its lien, claim, encumbrance (other than Permitted Encumbrances), or other interest in the Purchased Assets, if any, as such lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest may have been recorded or may otherwise exist.

12. If any person or entity that has filed financing statements, mortgages, mechanic's liens, lis pendens, or other documents or agreements evidencing a lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest in the Sellers or the Purchased Assets (other than Permitted Encumbrances) shall not have delivered to the Sellers prior to the Closing, in proper form for filing and executed by the appropriate parties, termination statements, instruments of satisfaction, releases of all liens, claims, encumbrances, or other interests, which the person or entity has with respect to the Sellers or the Purchased Assets or otherwise, then (a) the Sellers are authorized and directed to execute and file such statements, instruments, releases, and other documents on behalf of the person or entity with respect to the Sellers or the Purchased Assets, and (b) the Purchaser is authorized to file, register, or otherwise record a certified copy of this Order, which

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shall constitute conclusive evidence of the release of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever in the Sellers or the Purchased Assets.

13. All persons or entities in possession of any of the Purchased Assets are directed to surrender possession of such Purchased Assets to the Purchaser or its respective designees at the time of Closing of the 363 Transaction.

14. Following the Closing of the 363 Transaction, no holder of any lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest (other than Permitted Encumbrances) shall interfere with the Purchaser's title to, or use and enjoyment of, the Purchased Assets based on, or related to, any such lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest, or based on any actions the Debtors may take in their chapter 11 cases.

15. All persons and entities are prohibited and enjoined from taking any action to adversely affect or interfere with the ability of the Debtors to transfer the Purchased Assets to the Purchaser in accordance with the MPA and this Order; *provided, however*, that the foregoing restriction shall not prevent any person or entity from appealing this Order or opposing any appeal of this Order.

16. To the extent provided by section 525 of the Bankruptcy Code, no governmental unit may deny, revoke, suspend, or refuse to renew any permit, license, or similar grant relating to the operation of the Purchased Assets sold, transferred, or conveyed to the Purchaser on account of the filing or pendency of these chapter 11 cases or the consummation of the 363 Transaction contemplated by the MPA.

17. From and after the Closing, the Purchaser shall comply with the certification, reporting, and recall requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, as amended and recodified, including by the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act, the Clean Air Act, the California Health and Safety

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Code, and similar Laws, in each case, to the extent applicable in respect of motor vehicles, vehicles, motor vehicle equipment, and vehicle parts manufactured or distributed by the Sellers prior to the Closing.

18. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Order or the MPA, (a) any Purchased Asset that is subject to any mechanic's, materialman's, laborer's, workmen's, repairman's, carrier's liens and other similar Encumbrances arising by operation of law or statute in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts that are not delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, or any lien for Taxes, the validity or amount of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and statutory liens for current Taxes not yet due, payable, or delinquent (or which may be paid without interest or penalties) shall continue to be subject to such lien after the Closing Date if and to the extent that such lien (i) is valid, perfected and enforceable as of the Commencement Date (or becomes valid, perfected and enforceable after the Commencement Date as permitted by section 546(b) or 362(b)(18) of the Bankruptcy Code), (ii) could not be avoided by any Debtor under sections 544 to 549, inclusive, of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise, were the Closing not to occur; and (iii) the Purchased Asset subject to such lien could not be sold free and clear of such lien under applicable non-bankruptcy law, and (b) any Liability as of the Closing Date that is secured by a lien described in clause (a) above (such lien, a "Continuing Lien") that is not otherwise an Assumed Liability shall constitute an Assumed Liability with respect to which there shall be no recourse to the Purchaser or any property of the Purchaser other than recourse to the property subject to such Continuing Lien. The Purchased Assets are sold free and clear of any reclamation rights, provided, however, that nothing, in this Order or the MPA shall in any way impair the right of any claimant against the Debtors with respect to any alleged reclamation right to the extent such reclamation right is not subject to the prior rights of a holder of a security interest in

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the goods or proceeds with respect to which such reclamation right is alleged, or impair the ability of a claimant to seek adequate protection against the Debtors with respect to any such alleged reclamation right. Further, nothing in this Order or the MPA shall prejudice any rights, defenses, objections or counterclaims that the Debtors, the Purchaser, the U.S. Treasury, EDC, the Creditors' Committee or any other party in interest may have with respect to the validity or priority of such asserted liens or rights, or with respect to any claim for adequate protection.

#### **Approval of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement**

19. The UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the transactions contemplated therein, and the terms and conditions thereof, are fair, reasonable, and in the best interests of the retirees, and are approved. The Debtors, the Purchaser, and the UAW are authorized and directed to perform their obligations under, or in connection with, the implementation of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement and to comply with the terms of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, including the obligation of the Purchaser to reimburse the UAW for certain expenses relating to the 363 Transaction and the transition to the New VEBA arrangements. The amendments to the Trust Agreement (as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement) set forth on Exhibit E to the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, are approved, and the Trust Agreement is reformed accordingly.

20. In accordance with the terms of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, (I) as of the Closing, there shall be no requirement to amend the Pension Plan as set forth in section 15 of the Henry II Settlement (as such terms are defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement); (II) on the later of December 31, 2009, or the Closing of the 363 Transaction (the "**Implementation Date**"), (i) the committee and the trustees of the Existing External VEBA (as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement) are directed to transfer to the New VEBA all assets and liabilities of the Existing External VEBA and to terminate the Existing External

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VEBA within fifteen (15) days thereafter, as provided under Section 12.C of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, (ii) the trustee of the Existing Internal VEBA is directed to transfer to the New VEBA the UAW Related Account's share of assets in the Existing Internal VEBA within ten (10) business days thereafter as provided in Section 12.B of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, and, upon the completion of such transfer, the Existing Internal VEBA shall be deemed to be amended to terminate participation and coverage regarding Retiree Medical Benefits for the Class and the Covered Group, effective as of the Implementation Date (each as defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement); and (III) all obligations of the Purchaser and the Sellers to provide Retiree Medical Benefits to members of the Class and Covered Group shall be governed by the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, and, in accordance with section 5.D of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, all provisions of the Purchaser's Plan relating to Retiree Medical Benefits for the Class and/or the Covered Group shall terminate as of the Implementation Date or otherwise be amended so as to be consistent with the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement (as each term is defined in the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement), and the Purchaser shall not thereafter have any such obligations as set forth in Section 5.D of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement.

#### Approval of GM's Assumption of the UAW Claims Agreement

21. Pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, GM's assumption of the UAW Claims Agreement is approved, and GM, the UAW, and the Class Representatives are authorized and directed to perform their obligations under, or in connection with, the implementation of the UAW Claims Agreement and comply with the terms of the UAW Claims Agreement.

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#### Assumption and Assignment to the Purchaser of Assumable Executory Contracts

22. Pursuant to sections 105(a), 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and subject to and conditioned upon (a) the Closing of the 363 Transaction, (b) the occurrence of the Assumption Effective Date, and (c) the resolution of any relevant Limited Contract Objections, other than a Cure Objection, by order of this Court overruling such objection or upon agreement of the parties, the Debtors' assumption and assignment to the Purchaser of each Assumable Executory Contract (including, without limitation, for purposes of this paragraph 22) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement) is approved, and the requirements of section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code with respect thereto are deemed satisfied.

23. The Debtors are authorized and directed in accordance with sections 105(a) and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code to (i) assume and assign to the Purchaser, effective as of the Assumption Effective Date, as provided by, and in accordance with, the Sale Procedures Order, the Modified Assumption and Assignment Procedures, and the MPA, those Assumable Executory Contracts that have been designated by the Purchaser for assumption pursuant to sections 6.6 and 6.31 of the MPA and that are not subject to a Limited Contract Objection other than a Cure Objection, free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, or other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including rights or claims based on any successor or transferee liability, other than the Assumed Liabilities, and (ii) execute and deliver to the Purchaser such documents or other instruments as the Purchaser reasonably deems may be necessary to assign and transfer such Assumable Executory Contracts and Assumed Liabilities to the Purchaser. The Purchaser shall Promptly Pay (as defined below) the following (the "Cure Amount"): (a) all amounts due under such Assumable Executory Contract as of the Commencement Date as reflected on the website established by the Debtors (the "Contract Website"), which is referenced and is accessible as set forth in the Assumption and Assignment

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Notice or as otherwise agreed to in writing by an authorized officer of the parties (for this purpose only, Susanna Webber shall be deemed an authorized officer of the Debtors) (the "Prepetition Cure Amount"), less amounts, if any, paid after the Commencement Date on account of the Prepetition Cure Amount (such net amount, the "Net Prepetition Cure Amount"), plus (b) any such amount past due and owing as of the Assumption Effective Date, as required under the Modified Assumption and Assignment Procedures, exclusive of the Net Prepetition Cure Amount. For the avoidance of doubt, all of the Debtors' rights to assert credits, chargebacks, setoffs, rebates, and other claims under the Purchased Contracts are purchased by and assigned to the Purchaser as of the Assumption Effective Date. As used herein, "Promptly Pay" means (i) with respect to any Cure Amount (or portion thereof, if any) which is undisputed, payment as soon as reasonably practicable, but not later than five (5) business days after the Assumption Effective Date, and (ii) with respect to any Cure Amount (or portion thereof, if any) which is disputed, payment as soon as reasonably practicable, but not later than five (5) business days after such dispute is resolved or such later date upon agreement of the parties and, in the event Bankruptcy Court approval is required, upon entry of a final order of the Bankruptcy Court. On and after the Assumption Effective Date, the Purchaser shall (i) perform any nonmonetary defaults that are required under section 365(b) of the Bankruptcy Code; provided that such defaults are undisputed or directed by this Court and are timely asserted under the Modified Assumption and Assignment Procedures, and (ii) pay all undisputed obligations and perform all obligations that arise or come due under each Assumable Executory Contract in the ordinary course. Notwithstanding any provision in this Order to the contrary, the Purchaser shall not be obligated to pay any Cure Amount or any other amount due with respect to any Assumable Executory Contract before such amount becomes due and payable under the applicable payment terms of such Contract.

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24. The Debtors shall make available a writing, acknowledged by the Purchaser, of the assumption and assignment of an Assumable Executory Contract and the effective date of such assignment (which may be a printable acknowledgment of assignment on the Contract Website). The Assumable Executory Contracts shall be transferred and assigned to, pursuant to the Sale Procedures Order and the MPA, and thereafter remain in full force and effect for the benefit of, the Purchaser, notwithstanding any provision in any such Assumable Executory Contract (including those of the type described in sections 365(b)(2), (e)(1), and (f) of the Bankruptcy Code) that prohibits, restricts, or conditions such assignment or transfer and, pursuant to section 365(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, the Sellers shall be relieved from any further liability with respect to the Assumable Executory Contracts after such assumption and assignment to the Purchaser. Except as may be contested in a Limited Contract Objection, each Assumable Executory Contract is an executory contract or unexpired lease under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Debtors may assume each of their respective Assumable Executory Contracts in accordance with section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code. Except as may be contested in a Limited Contract Objection other than a Cure Objection, the Debtors may assign each Assumable Executory Contract in accordance with sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and any provisions in any Assumable Executory Contract that prohibit or condition the assignment of such Assumable Executory Contract or terminate, recapture, impose any penalty, condition renewal or extension, or modify any term or condition upon the assignment of such Assumable Executory Contract, constitute unenforceable antiassignment provisions which are void and of no force and effect in connection with the transactions contemplated hereunder. All other requirements and conditions under sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code for the assumption by the Debtors and assignment to the Purchaser of each Assumable Executory Contract have been satisfied, and, pursuant to section 365(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, the

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Debtors are hereby relieved from any further liability with respect to the Assumable Executory Contracts, including, without limitation, in connection with the payment of any Cure Amounts related thereto which shall be paid by the Purchaser. At such time as provided in the Sale Procedures Order and the MPA, in accordance with sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Purchaser shall be fully and irrevocably vested in all right, title, and interest of each Purchased Contract. With respect to leases of personal property that are true leases and not subject to recharacterization, nothing in this Order or the MPA shall transfer to the Purchaser an ownership interest in any leased property not owned by a Debtor. Any portion of any of the Debtors' unexpired leases of nonresidential real property that purport to permit the respective landlords thereunder to cancel the remaining term of any such leases if the Sellers discontinue their use or operation of the Leased Real Property are void and of no force and effect and shall not be enforceable against the Purchaser, its assignees and sublessees, and the landlords under such leases shall not have the right to cancel or otherwise modify such leases or increase the rent, assert any Claim, or impose any penalty by reason of such discontinuation, the Sellers' cessation of operations, the assignment of such leases to the Purchaser, or the interruption of business activities at any of the leased premises.

25. Except in connection with any ongoing Limited Contract Objection, each non-Debtor party to an Assumable Executory Contract is forever barred, estopped, and permanently enjoined from (a) asserting against the Debtors or the Purchaser, their successors or assigns, or their respective property, any default arising prior to, or existing as of, the Commencement Date, or, against the Purchaser, any counterclaim, defense, or setoff (other than defenses interposed in connection with, or related to, credits, chargebacks, setoffs, rebates, and other claims asserted by the Sellers or the Purchaser in its capacity as assignee), or other claim asserted or assertable against the Sellers and (b) imposing or charging against the Debtors, the

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Purchaser, or its Affiliates any rent accelerations, assignment fees, increases, or any other fees as a result of the Sellers' assumption and assignment to the Purchaser of the Assumable Executory Contracts. The validity of such assumption and assignment of the Assumable Executory Contracts shall not be affected by any dispute between the Sellers and any non-Debtor party to an Assumable Executory Contract.

26. Except as expressly provided in the MPA or this Order, after the Closing, the Debtors and their estates shall have no further liabilities or obligations with respect to any Assumed Liabilities other than certain Cure Amounts as provided in the MPA, and all holders of such claims are forever barred and estopped from asserting such claims against the Debtors, their successors or assigns, and their estates.

27. The failure of the Sellers or the Purchaser to enforce at any time one or more terms or conditions of any Assumable Executory Contract shall not be a waiver of such terms or conditions, or of the Sellers' and the Purchaser's rights to enforce every term and condition of the Assumable Executory Contracts.

28. The authority hereunder for the Debtors to assume and assign an Assumable Executory Contract to the Purchaser includes the authority to assume and assign an Assumable Executory Contract, as amended.

29. Upon the assumption by a Debtor and the assignment to the Purchaser of any Assumable Executory Contract and the payment of the Cure Amount in full, all defaults under the Assumable Executory Contract shall be deemed to have been cured, and any counterparty to such Assumable Executory Contract shall be prohibited from exercising any rights or remedies against any Debtor or non-Debtor party to such Assumable Executory Contract based on an asserted default that occurred on, prior to, or as a result of, the Closing, including the type of default specified in section 365(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code.

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30. The assignments of each of the Assumable Executory Contracts are made in good faith under sections 363(b) and (m) of the Bankruptcy Code.

31. Entry by GM into the Deferred Termination Agreements with accepting dealers is hereby approved. Executed Deferred Termination Agreements represent valid and binding contracts, enforceable in accordance with their terms.

32. Entry by GM into the Participation Agreements with accepting dealers is hereby approved and the offer by GM of entry into the Participation Agreements and entry into the Participation Agreements was appropriate and not the product of coercion. The Court makes no finding as to whether any specific provision of any Participation Agreement governing the obligations of Purchaser and its dealers is enforceable under applicable provisions of state law. Any disputes that may arise under the Participation Agreements shall be adjudicated on a case by case basis in an appropriate forum other than this Court.

33. Nothing contained in the preceding two paragraphs shall impact the authority of any state or of the federal government to regulate Purchaser subsequent to the Closing.

34. Notwithstanding any other provision in the MPA or this Order, no assignment of any rights and interests of the Debtors in any federal license issued by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") shall take place prior to the issuance of FCC regulatory approval for such assignment pursuant to the Communications Act of 1934, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

### **TPC Property**

35. The TPC Participation Agreement and the other TPC Operative Documents are financing transactions secured to the extent of the TPC Value (as hereinafter defined) and shall be Retained Liabilities.

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36. As a result of the Debtors' interests in the TPC Property being transferred to the Purchaser free and clear of all liens, claims, interests, and encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including, without limitation, the TPC Lenders' Liens and Claims, pursuant to section 363(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, the TPC Lenders shall have an allowed secured claim in a total amount equal to the fair market value of the TPC Property on the Commencement Date under section 506 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "**TPC Value**"), as determined at a valuation hearing conducted by this Court or by mutual agreement of the Debtors, the Purchaser, and the TPC Lenders (such claim, the "**TPC Secured Claim**"). Either the Debtors, the Purchaser, the TPC Lenders, or the Creditors' Committee may file a motion with this Court to determine the TPC Value on twenty (20) days notice.

37. Pursuant to sections 361 and 363(e) of the Bankruptcy Code, as adequate protection for the TPC Secured Claim and for the sole benefit of the TPC Lenders, at the Closing or as soon as commercially practicable thereafter, but in any event not later than five (5) business days after the Closing, the Purchaser shall place \$90,700,000 (the "**TPC Escrow Amount**") in cash into an interest-bearing escrow account (the "**TPC Escrow Account**") at a financial institution selected by the Purchaser and acceptable to the other parties (the "**Escrow Bank**"). Interest earned on the TPC Escrow Amount from the date of deposit through the date of the disposition of the proceeds of such account (the "**TPC Escrow Interest**") will follow principal, such that interest earned on the amount of cash deposited into the TPC Escrow Account equal to the TPC Value shall be paid to the TPC Lenders and interest earned on the balance of the TPC Escrow Amount shall be paid to the Purchaser.

38. Promptly after the determination of the TPC Value, an amount of cash equal to the TPC Secured Claim plus the TPC Lenders' pro rata share of the TPC Escrow Interest shall be released from the TPC Escrow Account and paid to the TPC Lenders (the "**TPC** 

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**Payment**") without further order of this Court. If the TPC Value is less than \$90,700,000, the TPC Lenders shall have, in addition to the TPC Secured Claim, an aggregate allowed unsecured claim against GM's estate equal to the lesser of (i) \$45,000,000 and (ii) the difference between \$90,700,000 and the TPC Value (the "**TPC Unsecured Claim**").

39. If the TPC Value exceeds \$90,700,000, the TPC Lenders shall be entitled to assert a secured claim against GM's estate to the extent the TPC Lenders would have an allowed claim for such excess under section 506 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "TPC Excess Secured Claim"); provided, however, that any TPC Excess Secured Claim shall be paid from the consideration of the 363 Transaction as a secured claim thereon and shall not be payable from the proceeds of the Wind-Down Facility; and provided further, however, that the Debtors, the Creditors' Committee, and all parties in interest shall have the right to contest the allowance and amount of the TPC Excess Secured Claim under section 506 of the Bankruptcy Code (other than to contest the TPC Value as previously determined by the Court). All parties' rights and arguments respecting the determination of the TPC Secured Claim are reserved; provided, however, that in consideration of the settlement contained in these paragraphs, the TPC Lenders waive any legal argument that the TPC Lenders are entitled to a secured claim equal to the face amount of their claim under section 363(f)(3) or any other provision of the Bankruptcy Code solely as a matter of law, including, without limitation, on the grounds that the Debtors are required to pay the full face amount of the TPC Lenders' secured claims in order to transfer, or as a result of the transfer of, the TPC Property to the Purchaser. After the TPC Payment is made, any funds remaining in the TPC Escrow Account plus the Purchasers' pro rata share of the TPC Escrow Interest shall be released and paid to the Purchaser without further order of this Court. Upon the receipt of the TPC Payment by the TPC Lenders, other than any right to payment from GM on account of the TPC Unsecured Claim and the TPC Excess Secured Claim, the TPC

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Lenders' Claims relating to the TPC Property shall be deemed fully satisfied and discharged, including, without limitation, any claims the TPC Lenders might have asserted against the Purchaser relating to the TPC Property, the TPC Participation Agreement, or the TPC Operative Documents. For the avoidance of doubt, any and all claims of the TPC Lenders arising from or in connection with the TPC Property, the TPC Participation Agreement, or the TPC Operative Documents shall be payable solely from the TPC Escrow Account or GM and shall be nonrecourse to the Purchaser.

40. The TPC Lenders shall not be entitled to payment of any fees, costs, or expenses (including legal fees) except to the extent that the TPC Value results in a TPC Excess Secured Claim and is thereby oversecured under the Bankruptcy Code and such claim is allowed by the Court as a secured claim under section 506 of the Bankruptcy Code.

41. In connection with the foregoing, and pursuant to Section 11.2 of the TPC Trust Agreement, GM, as the sole Certificate Holder and Beneficiary under the TPC Trust, together with the consent of GM as the Lessee, effective as of the date of the Closing, (a) exercises its election to terminate the TPC Trust and (b) in connection therewith, assumes all of the obligations of the TPC Trust and TPC Trustee under or contemplated by the TPC Operative Documents to which the TPC Trust or TPC Trustee is a party and all other obligations of the TPC Trustee incurred under the TPC Trust Agreement (other than obligations set forth in clauses (i) through (iii) of the second sentence of Section 7.1 of the TPC Trust Agreement).

42. As a condition precedent to the 363 Transaction, in connection with the termination of the TPC Trust, effective as of the date of the Closing, all of the assets of the TPC Trust (the "**TPC Trust Assets**") shall be distributed to GM, as sole Certificate Holder and beneficiary under the TPC Trust, including, without limitation, the following:

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(i) Industrial Development Revenue Real Property Note (General Motors Project) Series 1999-I, dated November 18, 1999, in the principal amount of \$21,700,000, made by the Industrial Development Board of the City of Memphis and County of Shelby, Tennessee, to PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as assigned by Assignment and Assumption of Loan and Loan Documents dated as of November 18, 1999, between PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as Assigner, to the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust, as Assignee, recorded as JW1268 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds (the "**TPC Tennessee Ground Lease**");

(ii) Real Property Lease Agreement dated as of November 18, 1999, between the Industrial Development Board of the City of Memphis and County of Shelby, Tennessee, as Lessor, and PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as Lessee, recorded as JW1262 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds, as assigned by Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Lease dated as of November 18, 1999, between PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as Assignor, to the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust, as Assignee, recorded as JW1267 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds;

(iii) Deed of Trust dated as of November 18, 1999, between the Industrial Development Board of the City of Memphis and County of Shelby, Tennessee, as Grantor, in favor of Mid-South Title Corporation, as Trustee, for the benefit of PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, Beneficiary, recorded as JW1263 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds, as assigned by Assignment and Assumption of Loan and Loan Documents dated as of November 18, 1999, between PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as Assignor, to the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust, as Assignee, recorded as JW1268 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds;

(iv) Assignment of Rents and Lease dated as of November 18, 1999, between the Industrial Development Board of the City of Memphis and County of Shelby, Tennessee, as Assignor, and PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as Assignee, recorded as JW1264 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds, as assigned by Assignment and Assumption of Loan and Loan Documents dated as of November 18, 1999, between PVV Southpoint 14, LLC, as Assignor, to the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust, as Assignee, recorded as JW1268 in the records of the Shelby County Register of Deeds;

Agreement);

(v)

The Tennessee Master Lease (as defined in the TPC Participation

(vi) A certain tract of land being known and designated as Lot 1, as shown on a Subdivision Plat entitled "Final Plat – Lot 1, Whitemarsh Associates, LLC Property," which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book SM No. 71 at folio 144, Maryland, together with a certain tract of land being known and designated as "1.1865 Acre of Highway Widening," as shown on a Subdivision Plat entitled "Final Plat – Lot 1, Whitemarsh Associates, LLC Property," which Plat is recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Plat Book SM No. 71 at folio 144, Baltimore, Maryland, saving and excepting from the above described property all that land conveyed to the State of Maryland to the use of the State Highway Administration of the Department of Transportation dated November 24, 2003, and

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recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 19569, folio 074, Maryland, together with all rights, easements, covenants, licenses, and appurtenances associated with the ownership thereof in any way, including, without limitation, those easements benefiting Parcel 1 set forth in the Declaration and Agreement Respecting Easements, Restrictions and Operations, between the TPC Trust, GM, and Whitemarsh Associates, LLC, recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 14019, folio 430, as amended (collectively, the "**Maryland Property**");

(vii) alternatively to the transfer of a direct interest in the Maryland Property pursuant to item (vi) above, if such documents are still extant, the following interests shall be transferred: (a) Ground Lease Agreement dated as of September 8, 1999, between the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust. as lessor, and Maryland Economic Development Corporation, as lessee, recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 14019, folio 565, (b) Sublease Agreement dated as of September 8, 1999, between the Maryland Economic Development Corporation, as sublessor, and the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust, as sublessee, recorded among the Land Records of Baltimore County in Liber 14019, folio 589, together with (c) all agreements, loan agreements, notes, rights, obligations, and interests held by the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust and/or issued by the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust in connection therewith; and

(viii) The Maryland Master Lease (as defined in the TPC Participation Agreement).

43. As a result of the distribution of the TPC Trust Assets, effective as of the

date of the Closing, title to the leasehold interest of the TPC Trustee of the TPC Trust under the TPC Tennessee Ground Lease and the lessor's interest under the Tennessee Master Lease shall be held by GM, as are the lessor's and lessee's interests under the Tennessee Master Lease, and as permitted by the TPC Trust Agreement, the Tennessee Master Lease shall hereby be terminated, and GM shall succeed to all rights of the lessor thereunder to the property leased thereby, together with all rights, easements, covenants, licenses, and appurtenances associated with the ownership thereof in any way.

44. As a result of the distribution of the TPC Trust Assets, effective as of the

date of the Closing, title to the Maryland Property, the lessor's and lessee's interests under the Maryland Master Lease shall be held by GM, and as permitted by the TPC Trust Agreement, the Maryland Master Lease shall hereby be terminated, and GM shall succeed to all rights of the

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lessor thereunder to the property leased thereby, together with all rights, easements, covenants, licenses, and appurtenances associated with the ownership thereof in any way.

45. All of the TPC Trust Assets and the TPC Property are Purchased Assets under the MPA and shall be transferred by GM pursuant thereto to the Purchaser free and clear of all liens, claims, encumbrances, and interests (other than Permitted Encumbrances), including, without limitation, any liens, claims, encumbrances, and interests of the TPC Lenders. To the extent any of the TPC Trust Assets are executory contracts and unexpired leases, they shall be Assumable Executory Contracts, which shall be assumed by GM and assigned to Purchaser pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and the Sale Procedures Order.

#### **Additional Provisions**

46. Except for the Assumed Liabilities expressly set forth in the MPA, none of the Purchaser, its present or contemplated members or shareholders, its successors or assigns, or any of their respective affiliates or any of their respective agents, officials, personnel, representatives, or advisors shall have any liability for any claim that arose prior to the Closing Date, relates to the production of vehicles prior to the Closing Date, or otherwise is assertable against the Debtors or is related to the Purchased Assets prior to the Closing Date. The Purchaser shall not be deemed, as a result of any action taken in connection with the MPA or any of the transactions or documents ancillary thereto or contemplated thereby or in connection with the acquisition of the Purchased Assets, to: (i) be a legal successor, or otherwise be deemed a successor to the Debtors (other than with respect to any obligations arising under the Purchased Assets from and after the Closing); (ii) have, de facto or otherwise, merged with or into the Debtors; or (iii) be a mere continuation or substantial continuation of the Debtors or the enterprise of the Debtors. Without limiting the foregoing, the Purchaser shall not have any successor, transferee, derivative, or vicarious liabilities of any kind or character for any claims,

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including, but not limited to, under any theory of successor or transferee liability, de facto merger or continuity, environmental, labor and employment, and products or antitrust liability, whether known or unknown as of the Closing, now existing or hereafter arising, asserted, or unasserted, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated.

Effective upon the Closing and except as may be otherwise provided by 47. stipulation filed with or announced to the Court with respect to a specific matter or an order of the Court, all persons and entities are forever prohibited and enjoined from commencing or continuing in any manner any action or other proceeding, whether in law or equity, in any judicial, administrative, arbitral, or other proceeding against the Purchaser, its present or contemplated members or shareholders, its successors and assigns, or the Purchased Assets, with respect to any (i) claim against the Debtors other than Assumed Liabilities, or (ii) successor or transferee liability of the Purchaser for any of the Debtors, including, without limitation, the following actions: (a) commencing or continuing any action or other proceeding pending or threatened against the Debtors as against the Purchaser, or its successors, assigns, affiliates, or their respective assets, including the Purchased Assets; (b) enforcing, attaching, collecting, or recovering in any manner any judgment, award, decree, or order against the Debtors as against the Purchaser, its successors, assigns, affiliates, or their respective assets, including the Purchased Assets; (c) creating, perfecting, or enforcing any lien, claim, interest, or encumbrance against the Debtors as against the Purchaser or its successors, assigns, affiliates, or their respective assets, including the Purchased Assets; (d) asserting any setoff, right of subrogation, or recoupment of any kind for any obligation of any of the Debtors as against any obligation due the Purchaser or its successors, assigns, affiliates, or their respective assets, including the Purchased Assets; (e) commencing or continuing any action, in any manner or place, that does not comply, or is inconsistent with, the provisions of this Order or other orders of this Court, or

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the agreements or actions contemplated or taken in respect thereof; or (f) revoking, terminating, or failing or refusing to renew any license, permit, or authorization to operate any of the Purchased Assets or conduct any of the businesses operated with such assets. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a relevant taxing authority's ability to exercise its rights of setoff and recoupment are preserved.

48. Except for the Assumed Liabilities, or as expressly permitted or otherwise specifically provided for in the MPA or this Order, the Purchaser shall have no liability or responsibility for any liability or other obligation of the Sellers arising under or related to the Purchased Assets. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, and except as otherwise specifically provided in this Order and the MPA, the Purchaser shall not be liable for any claims against the Sellers or any of their predecessors or Affiliates, and the Purchaser shall have no successor, transferee, or vicarious liabilities of any kind or character, including, but not limited to, any theory of antitrust, environmental, successor, or transferee liability, labor law, de facto merger, or substantial continuity, whether known or unknown as of the Closing, now existing or hereafter arising, whether fixed or contingent, asserted or unasserted, liquidated or unliquidated, with respect to the Sellers or any obligations of the Sellers arising prior to the Closing.

49. The Purchaser has given fair and substantial consideration under the MPA for the benefit of the holders of liens, claims, encumbrances, or other interests. The consideration provided by the Purchaser for the Purchased Assets under the MPA is greater than the liquidation value of the Purchased Assets and shall be deemed to constitute reasonably equivalent value and fair consideration under the Bankruptcy Code and under the laws of the United States, any state, territory, possession, or the District of Columbia.

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50. The consideration provided by the Purchaser for the Purchased Assets under the MPA is fair and reasonable, and the Sale may not be avoided under section 363(n) of the Bankruptcy Code.

51. If there is an Agreed G Transaction (determined no later than the due date, with extensions, of GM's tax return for the taxable year in which the 363 Transaction occurs), (i) the MPA shall, and hereby does, constitute a "plan" of GM and the Purchaser solely for purposes of sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code, and (ii) the 363 Transaction, as set forth in the MPA, and the subsequent liquidation of the Sellers, are intended to constitute a tax reorganization of GM pursuant to section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Tax Code.

52. This Order (a) shall be effective as a determination that, except for the Assumed Liabilities, at Closing, all liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests of any kind or nature whatsoever existing as to the Sellers with respect to the Purchased Assets prior to the Closing (other than Permitted Encumbrances) have been unconditionally released and terminated, and that the conveyances described in this Order have been effected, and (b) shall be binding upon and govern the acts of all entities, including, without limitation, all filing agents, filing officers, title agents, title companies, recorders of mortgages, recorders of deeds, registrars of deeds, administrative agencies, governmental departments, secretaries of state, federal, state, and local officials, and all other persons and entities who may be required by operation of law, the duties of their office, or contract, to accept, file, register, or otherwise record or release any documents or instruments, or who may be required to report or insure any title or state of title in or to any of the Purchased Assets.

53. Each and every federal, state, and local governmental agency or department is authorized to accept any and all documents and instruments necessary or appropriate to consummate the transactions contemplated by the MPA.

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54. Any amounts that become payable by the Sellers to the Purchaser pursuant to the MPA (and related agreements executed in connection therewith, including, but not limited to, any obligation arising under Section 8.2(b) of the MPA) shall (a) constitute administrative expenses of the Debtors' estates under sections 503(b)(1) and 507(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code and (b) be paid by the Debtors in the time and manner provided for in the MPA without further Court order.

55. The transactions contemplated by the MPA are undertaken by the Purchaser without collusion and in good faith, as that term is used in section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code, and were negotiated by the parties at arm's length, and, accordingly, the reversal or modification on appeal of the authorization provided in this Order to consummate the 363 Transaction shall not affect the validity of the 363 Transaction (including the assumption and assignment of any of the Assumable Executory Contracts and the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement), unless such authorization is duly stayed pending such appeal. The Purchaser is a purchaser in good faith of the Purchased Assets and the Purchaser and its agents, officials, personnel, representatives, and advisors are entitled to all the protections afforded by section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code.

56. The Purchaser is assuming the obligations of the Sellers pursuant to and subject to conditions and limitations contained in their express written warranties, which were delivered in connection with the sale of vehicles and vehicle components prior to the Closing of the 363 Transaction and specifically identified as a "warranty." The Purchaser is not assuming responsibility for Liabilities contended to arise by virtue of other alleged warranties, including implied warranties and statements in materials such as, without limitation, individual customer communications, owner's manuals, advertisements, and other promotional materials, catalogs, and point of purchase materials. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Purchaser has assumed the

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Sellers' obligations under state "lemon law" statutes, which require a manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when the manufacturer is unable to conform the vehicle to the warranty, as defined in the applicable statute, after a reasonable number of attempts as further defined in the statute, and other related regulatory obligations under such statutes.

57. Subject to further Court order and consistent with the terms of the MPA and the Transition Services Agreement, the Debtors and the Purchaser are authorized to, and shall, take appropriate measures to maintain and preserve, until the consummation of any chapter 11 plan for the Debtors, (a) the books, records, and any other documentation, including tapes or other audio or digital recordings and data in, or retrievable from, computers or servers relating to or reflecting the records held by the Debtors or their affiliates relating to the Debtors' business, and (b) the cash management system maintained by the Debtors prior to the Closing, as such system may be necessary to effect the orderly administration of the Debtors' estates.

58. The Debtors are authorized to take any and all actions that are contemplated by or in furtherance of the MPA, including transferring assets between subsidiaries and transferring direct and indirect subsidiaries between entities in the corporate structure, with the consent of the Purchaser.

59. Upon the Closing, the Purchaser shall assume all liabilities of the Debtors arising out of, relating to, in respect of, or in connection with workers' compensation claims against any Debtor, except for workers' compensation claims against the Debtors with respect to Employees residing in or employed in, as the case may be as defined by applicable law, the states of Alabama, Georgia, New Jersey, and Oklahoma.

60. During the week after Closing, the Purchaser shall send an e-mail to the Debtors' customers for whom the Debtors have usable e-mail addresses in their database, which will provide information about the Purchaser and procedures for consumers to opt out of being

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contacted by the Purchaser for marketing purposes. For a period of ninety (90) days following the Closing Date, the Purchaser shall include on the home page of GM's consumer web site (<u>www.gm.com</u>) a conspicuous disclosure of information about the Purchaser, its procedures for consumers to opt out of being contacted by the Purchaser for marketing purposes, and a notice of the Purchaser's new privacy statement. The Debtors and the Purchaser shall comply with the terms of established business relationship provisions in any applicable state and federal telemarketing laws. The Dealers who are parties to Deferred Termination Agreements shall not be required to transfer personally identifying information in violation of applicable law or existing privacy policies.

61. Nothing in this Order or the MPA releases, nullifies, or enjoins the enforcement of any Liability to a governmental unit under Environmental Laws or regulations (or any associated Liabilities for penalties, damages, cost recovery, or injunctive relief) that any entity would be subject to as the owner, lessor, or operator of property after the date of entry of this Order. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, nothing in this Order shall be interpreted to deem the Purchaser as the successor to the Debtors under any state law successor liability doctrine with respect to any Liabilities under Environmental Laws or regulations for penalties for days of violation prior to entry of this Order. Nothing in this paragraph should be construed to create for any governmental unit any substantive right that does not already exist under law.

62. Nothing contained in this Order or in the MPA shall in any way (i) diminish the obligation of the Purchaser to comply with Environmental Laws, or (ii) diminish the obligations of the Debtors to comply with Environmental Laws consistent with their rights and obligations as debtors in possession under the Bankruptcy Code. The definition of Environmental Laws in the MPA shall be amended to delete the words "in existence on the date of the Original Agreement." For purposes of clarity, the exclusion of asbestos liabilities in

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section 2.3(b)(x) of the MPA shall not be deemed to affect coverage of asbestos as a Hazardous Material with respect to the Purchaser's remedial obligations under Environmental Laws.

63. No law of any state or other jurisdiction relating to bulk sales or similar laws shall apply in any way to the transactions contemplated by the 363 Transaction, the MPA, the Motion, and this Order.

64. The Debtors shall comply with their tax obligations under 28 U.S.C.§ 960, except to the extent that such obligations are Assumed Liabilities.

65. Notwithstanding anything contained in their respective organizational documents or applicable state law to the contrary, each of the Debtors is authorized and directed, upon and in connection with the Closing, to change their respective names, and any amendment to the organizational documents (including the certificate of incorporation) of any of the Debtors to effect such a change is authorized and approved, without Board or shareholder approval. Upon any such change with respect to GM, the Debtors shall file with the Court a notice of change of case caption within two (2) business days of the Closing, and the change of case caption for these chapter 11 cases shall be deemed effective as of the Closing.

66. The terms and provisions of the MPA and this Order shall inure to the benefit of the Debtors, their estates, and their creditors, the Purchaser, and their respective agents, officials, personnel, representatives, and advisors.

67. The failure to specifically include any particular provisions of the MPA in this Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provision, it being the intent of the Court that the MPA be authorized and approved in its entirety, except as modified herein.

68. The MPA and any related agreements, documents, or other instruments may be modified, amended, or supplemented by the parties thereto and in accordance with the terms thereof, without further order of the Court, provided that any such modification,

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amendment, or supplement does not have a material adverse effect on the Debtors' estates. Any such proposed modification, amendment, or supplement that does have a material adverse effect on the Debtors' estates shall be subject to further order of the Court, on appropriate notice.

69. The provisions of this Order are nonseverable and mutually dependent on each other.

70. <u>As provided in Fed.R.Bankr.P. 6004(h) and 6006(d), this Order shall not</u> <u>be stayed for ten days after its entry, and instead shall be effective as of 12:00 noon, EDT, on</u> <u>Thursday, July 9, 2009. The Debtors and the Purchaser are authorized to close the 363</u> Transaction on or after 12:00 noon on Thursday, July 9. Any party objecting to this Order must <u>exercise due diligence in filing any appeal and pursuing a stay or risk its appeal being foreclosed</u> as moot in the event Purchaser and the Debtors elect to close prior to this Order becoming a Final <u>Order.</u>

71. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction to enforce and implement the terms and provisions of this Order, the MPA, all amendments thereto, any waivers and consents thereunder, and each of the agreements executed in connection therewith, including the Deferred Termination Agreements, in all respects, including, but not limited to, retaining jurisdiction to (a) compel delivery of the Purchased Assets to the Purchaser, (b) compel delivery of the purchase price or performance of other obligations owed by or to the Debtors, (c) resolve any disputes arising under or related to the MPA, except as otherwise provided therein, (d) interpret, implement, and enforce the provisions of this Order, (e) protect the Purchaser against any of the Retained Liabilities or the assertion of any lien, claim, encumbrance, or other interest, of any kind or nature whatsoever, against the Purchased Assets, and (f) resolve any disputes with respect to or concerning the Deferred Termination Agreements. The Court does not retain jurisdiction to hear disputes arising in connection with the application of the Participation

**Deleted:** Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d), this Order shall not be stayed for ten days after its entry and shall be effective immediately upon entry, and the Debtors and the Purchaser are authorized to close the 363 Transaction immediately upon entry of this Order.

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Agreements, stockholder agreements or other documents concerning the corporate governance of

the Purchaser, and documents governed by foreign law, which disputes shall be adjudicated as

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necessary under applicable law in any other court or administrative agency of competent

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jurisdiction.

Dated: New York, York July <u>5</u>, 2009

> s/Robert E. Gerber UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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## <u>Exhibit A</u>

## AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

**EXECUTION COPY** 

## AMENDED AND RESTATED

## MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

## BY AND AMONG

### GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION,

#### SATURN LLC,

#### SATURN DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION

#### AND

## CHEVROLET-SATURN OF HARLEM, INC.,

as Sellers

AND

NGMCO, INC.,

as Purchaser

DATED AS OF

JUNE 26, 2009

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#### AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT (this "Agreement"), dated as of June 26, 2009, is made by and among General Motors Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("Parent"), Saturn LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>S LLC</u>"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>S Distribution</u>"), Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Harlem</u>," and collectively with Parent, S LLC and S Distribution, "<u>Sellers</u>," and each a "<u>Seller</u>"), and NGMCO, Inc., a Delaware corporation and successor-in-interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Purchaser</u>").

WHEREAS, on June 1, 2009 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), the Parties entered into that certain Master Sale and Purchase Agreement (the "<u>Original Agreement</u>"), and, in connection therewith, Sellers filed voluntary petitions for relief (the "<u>Bankruptcy Cases</u>") under Chapter 11 of Title 11, U.S.C. §§ 101 et seq., as amended (the "<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>");

WHEREAS, pursuant to Sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, Sellers desire to sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to Purchaser, and Purchaser desires to purchase, accept and acquire from Sellers all of the Purchased Assets (as hereinafter defined) and assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, all of the Assumed Liabilities (as hereinafter defined), in each case, in accordance with the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Bankruptcy Code;

WHEREAS, on the Petition Date, Purchaser entered into equity subscription agreements with each of Canada, Sponsor and the New VEBA (each as hereinafter defined), pursuant to which Purchaser has agreed to issue, on the Closing Date (as hereinafter defined), the Canada Shares, the Sponsor Shares, the VEBA Shares, the VEBA Note and the VEBA Warrant (each as hereinafter defined);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the equity subscription agreement between Purchaser and Canada, Canada has agreed to (i) contribute on or before the Closing Date an amount of Indebtedness (as hereinafter defined) owed to it by General Motors of Canada Limited ("<u>GMCL</u>"), which results in not more than \$1,288,135,593 of such Indebtedness remaining an obligation of GMCL, to Canada immediately following the Closing (the "<u>Canadian Debt</u> <u>Contribution</u>") and (ii) exchange immediately following the Closing the \$3,887,000,000 loan to be made by Canada to Purchaser for additional shares of capital stock of Purchaser;

WHEREAS, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are in furtherance of the conditions, covenants and requirements of the UST Credit Facilities (as hereinafter defined) and are intended to result in a rationalization of the costs, capitalization and capacity with respect to the manufacturing workforce of, and suppliers to, Sellers and their Subsidiaries (as hereinafter defined);

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that Purchaser may, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, prior to the Closing (as hereinafter defined), engage in one or more related transactions (the "Holding Company Reorganization") generally designed to reorganize

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Purchaser and one or more newly-formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Purchaser into a holding company structure that results in Purchaser becoming a direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiary of a newly-formed Delaware corporation ("<u>Holding Company</u>"); and

WHEREAS, it is contemplated that Purchaser may, in accordance with the terms of this Agreement, direct the transfer of the Purchased Assets on its behalf by assigning its rights to purchase, accept and acquire the Purchased Assets and its obligations to assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, the Assumed Liabilities, to Holding Company or one or more newly-formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Holding Company or Purchaser.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Parties (as hereinafter defined) hereby agree as follows:

#### ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings set forth below or in the Sections referred to below:

"<u>Adjustment Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(c)(i).

"<u>Advisory Fees</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.20.

"<u>Affiliate</u>" has the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

"<u>Affiliate Contract</u>" means a Contract between a Seller or a Subsidiary of a Seller, on the one hand, and an Affiliate of such Seller or Subsidiary of a Seller, on the other hand.

"<u>Agreed G Transaction</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Allocation</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.3.

"<u>Alternative Transaction</u>" means the sale, transfer, lease or other disposition, directly or indirectly, including through an asset sale, stock sale, merger or other similar transaction, of all or substantially all of the Purchased Assets in a transaction or a series of transactions with one or more Persons other than Purchaser (or its Affiliates).

"<u>Ancillary Agreements</u>" means the Parent Warrants, the UAW Active Labor Modifications, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the VEBA Warrant, the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, the Bill of Sale, the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, the Novation Agreement, the Government Related Subcontract Agreement, the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement, the Quitclaim Deeds, the

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Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases, the Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease, the Master Lease Agreement, the Subdivision Master Lease (if required), the Saginaw Service Contracts (if required), the Assignment and Assumption of Willow Run Lease, the Ren Cen Lease, the VEBA Note and each other agreement or document executed by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement or any of the foregoing and each certificate and other document to be delivered by the Parties pursuant to ARTICLE VII.

"<u>Antitrust Laws</u>" means all Laws that (i) are designed or intended to prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or the lessening of competition through merger or acquisition or (ii) involve foreign investment review by Governmental Authorities.

"<u>Applicable Employee</u>" means all (i) current salaried employees of Parent and (ii) current hourly employees of any Seller or any of its Affiliates (excluding Purchased Subsidiaries and any dealership) represented by the UAW, in each case, including such current salaried and current hourly employees who are on (a) long-term or short-term disability, military leave, sick leave, family medical leave or some other approved leave of absence or (b) layoff status or who have recall rights.

"<u>Arms-Length Basis</u>" means a transaction between two Persons that is carried out on terms no less favorable than the terms on which the transaction would be carried out by unrelated or unaffiliated Persons, acting as a willing buyer and a willing seller, and each acting in his own self-interest.

"<u>Assignment and Assumption Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(v).

"<u>Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(xiii).

"<u>Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(xii)**.

"<u>Assignment and Assumption of Willow Run Lease</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(e)**.

"<u>Assumable Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(a)**.

"<u>Assumable Executory Contract Schedule</u>" means Section 1.1A of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

"<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.3(a).

"<u>Assumed Plans</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.17(e)**.

"<u>Assumption Effective Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(d)**.

"<u>Bankruptcy Avoidance Actions</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(xi).

"<u>Bankruptcy Cases</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Bankruptcy Code</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Bankruptcy Court</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Benefit Plans</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.10**(a).

"<u>Bidders</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4**(c).

"<u>Bids</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(c)**.

"<u>Bill of Sale</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(iv).

"<u>Business Day</u>" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which banks are required or authorized by Law to be closed in the City of New York, New York.

"<u>CA</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Canada</u>" means 7176384 Canada Inc., a corporation organized under the Laws of Canada, and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Canada Development Investment Corporation, and its successors and assigns.

"<u>Canada Affiliate</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.22.

"<u>Canada Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(c).

"Canadian Debt Contribution" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Claims</u>" means all rights, claims (including any cross-claim or counterclaim), investigations, causes of action, choses in action, charges, suits, defenses, demands, damages, defaults, assessments, rights of recovery, rights of set-off, rights of recoupment, litigation, third party actions, arbitral proceedings or proceedings by or before any Governmental Authority or any other Person, of any kind or nature, whether known or unknown, accrued, fixed, absolute, contingent or matured, liquidated or unliquidated, due or to become due, and all rights and remedies with respect thereto.

"Claims Estimate Order" has the meaning set forth in Section 3.2(c)(i).

"<u>Closing</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.1**.

"<u>Closing Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.1**.

"<u>Collective Bargaining Agreement</u>" means any collective bargaining agreement or other written or oral agreement, understanding or mutually recognized past practice with respect to Employees, between any Seller (or any Subsidiary thereof) and any labor organization or other Representative of Employees (including the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, local agreements, amendments, supplements and letters and memoranda of understanding of any kind). "<u>Common Stock</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4(b)**.

"<u>Confidential Information</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.24.

"<u>Confidentiality Period</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.24.

"<u>Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement</u>" means a United States dealer sales and service Contract related to one or more of the Continuing Brands, together with all other Contracts between any Seller and the relevant dealer that are related to the dealership operations of such dealer other than Contracts identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, each of which Contract identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract.

"<u>Continuing Brands</u>" means each of the following vehicle line-makes, currently distributed in the United States by Parent or its Subsidiaries: Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet and GMC.

"<u>Contracts</u>" means all purchase orders, sales agreements, supply agreements, distribution agreements, sales representative agreements, employee or consulting agreements, leases, subleases, licenses, product warranty or service agreements and other binding commitments, agreements, contracts, arrangements, obligations and undertakings of any nature (whether written or oral, and whether express or implied).

"<u>Copyright Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any right to reproduce, publicly display, publicly perform, distribute, create derivative works of or otherwise exploit any works covered by any Copyright.

"<u>Copyrights</u>" means all domestic and foreign copyrights, whether registered or unregistered, including all copyright rights throughout the universe (whether now or hereafter arising) in any and all media (whether now or hereafter developed), in and to all original works of authorship (including all compilations of information or marketing materials created by or on behalf of any Seller), acquired, owned or licensed by any Seller, all applications, registrations and recordings thereof (including applications, registrations and recordings in the United States Copyright Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States or any other country or any political subdivision thereof) and all reissues, renewals, restorations, extensions and revisions thereof.

"<u>Cure Amounts</u>" means all cure amounts payable in order to cure any monetary defaults required to be cured under Section 365(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise to effectuate, pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code, the assumption by the applicable Seller and assignment to Purchaser of the Purchased Contracts.

"<u>Damages</u>" means any and all Losses, other than punitive damages.

"<u>Dealer Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.17**.

"<u>Deferred Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(c)**.

"Deferred Termination Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.7(a).

"<u>Delayed Closing Entities</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.35**.

"Delphi" means Delphi Corporation.

"<u>Delphi Motion</u>" means the motion filed by Parent with the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases on June 20, 2009, seeking authorization and approval of (i) the purchase, and guarantee of purchase, of certain assets of Delphi, (ii) entry into certain agreements in connection with the sale of substantially all of the remaining assets of Delphi to a third party, (iii) the assumption of certain Executory Contracts in connection with such sale, (iv) entry into an agreement with the PBGC in connection with such sale and (v) entry into an alternative transaction with the successful bidder in the auction for the assets of Delphi.

"Delphi Transaction Agreements" means (i) either (A) the MDA, the SPA, the Loan Agreement, the Operating Agreement, the Commercial Agreements and any Ancillary Agreements (in each case, as defined in the Delphi Motion), which any Seller is a party to, or (B) in the event that an Acceptable Alternative Transaction (as defined in the Delphi Motion) is consummated, any agreements relating to the Acceptable Alternative Transaction, which any Seller is a party to, and (ii) in the event that the PBGC Agreement is entered into at or prior to the Closing, the PBGC Agreement (as defined in the Delphi Motion) and any ancillary agreements entered into pursuant thereto, which any Seller is a party to, as each of the agreements described in clauses (i) or (ii) hereof may be amended from time to time.

"<u>DIP Facility</u>" means that certain Secured Superpriority Debtor-in-Possession Credit Agreement entered into or to be entered into by Parent, as borrower, certain Subsidiaries of Parent listed therein, as guarantors, Sponsor, as lender, and Export Development Canada, as lender.

"<u>Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement</u>" means a United States dealer sales and service Contract related to one or more of the Discontinued Brands, together with all other Contracts between any Seller and the relevant dealer that are related to the dealership operations of such dealer other than Contracts identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, each of which Contract identified on Section 1.1B of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract.

"<u>Discontinued Brands</u>" means each of the following vehicle line-makes, currently distributed in the United States by Parent or its Subsidiaries: Hummer, Saab, Saturn and Pontiac.

"<u>Disqualified Individual</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.10(f)**.

"<u>Employees</u>" means (i) each employee or officer of any of Sellers or their Affiliates (including (a) any current, former or retired employees or officers, (b) employees or officers on long-term or short-term disability, military leave, sick leave, family medical leave or some other approved leave of absence and (c) employees on layoff status or with recall rights); (ii) each consultant or other service provider of any of Sellers or their Affiliates; and (iii) each individual recognized under any Collective Bargaining Agreement as being employed by or having rights to

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employment by any of Sellers or their Affiliates. For the avoidance of doubt, Employees includes all employees of Sellers or any of their Affiliates, whether or not Transferred Employees.

"Employment-Related Obligations" means all Liabilities arising out of, related to, in respect of or in connection with employment relationships or alleged or potential employment relationships with Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers relating to Employees, leased employees, applicants, and/or independent contractors or those individuals who are deemed to be employees of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers by Contract or Law, whether filed or asserted before, on or "Employment-Related Obligations" includes Claims relating to after the Closing. discrimination, torts, compensation for services (and related employment and withholding Taxes), workers' compensation or similar benefits and payments on account of occupational illnesses and injuries, employment Contracts, Collective Bargaining Agreements, grievances originating under a Collective Bargaining Agreement, wrongful discharge, invasion of privacy, infliction of emotional distress, defamation, slander, provision of leave under the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993, as amended, or other similar Laws, car programs, relocation, expense-reporting, Tax protection policies, Claims arising out of WARN or employment, terms of employment, transfers, re-levels, demotions, failure to hire, failure to promote, compensation policies, practices and treatment, termination of employment, harassment, pay equity, employee benefits (including post-employment welfare and other benefits), employee treatment, employee suggestions or ideas, fiduciary performance, employment practices, the modification or termination of Benefit Plans or employee benefit plans, policies, programs, agreements and arrangements of Purchaser, including decisions to provide plans that are different from Benefit Plans, and the like. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, with respect to any Employees, leased employees, and/or independent contractors or those individuals who are deemed to be employees of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers by Contract or Law, "Employment-Related Obligations" includes payroll and social security Taxes, contributions (whether required or voluntary) to any retirement, health and welfare or similar plan or arrangement, notice, severance or similar payments required under Law, and obligations under Law with respect to occupational injuries and illnesses.

"<u>Encumbrance</u>" means any lien (statutory or otherwise), charge, deed of trust, pledge, security interest, conditional sale or other title retention agreement, lease, mortgage, option, charge, hypothecation, easement, right of first offer, license, covenant, restriction, ownership interest of another Person or other encumbrance.

"<u>End Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 8.1(b)**.

"<u>Environment</u>" means any surface water, groundwater, drinking water supply, land surface or subsurface soil or strata, ambient air, natural resource or wildlife habitat.

"<u>Environmental Law</u>" means any Law in existence on the date of the Original Agreement relating to the management or Release of, or exposure of humans to, any Hazardous Materials; or pollution; or the protection of human health and welfare and the Environment.

"<u>Equity Incentive Plans</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.28.

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"<u>Equity Interest</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, warrants, options or other rights for the purchase or other acquisition from such Person of shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person, securities convertible into or exchangeable for shares of capital stock of (or other ownership or profit interests in) such Person of such Person or warrants, options or rights for the purchase or other acquisition from such Person of such shares (or such other ownership or profit interests) and other ownership or profit interests in such Person (including partnership, member or trust interests therein), whether voting or nonvoting.

"Equity Registration Rights Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.1(c).

"<u>ERISA</u>" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>ERISA Affiliate</u>" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that is part of the same controlled group, or under common control with, or part of an affiliated service group that includes any Seller, within the meaning of Section 414(b), (c), (m) or (o) of the Tax Code or Section 4001(a)(14) of ERISA.

"<u>Exchange Act</u>" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Excluded Assets</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)**.

"<u>Excluded Cash</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(i).

"<u>Excluded Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements</u>" means all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements, other than those that are Assumable Executory Contracts.

"<u>Excluded Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)(vii)**.

"Excluded Entities" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(iv).

"<u>Excluded Insurance Policies</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)(xiii)**.

"<u>Excluded Personal Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(b)(vi)**.

"<u>Excluded Real Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(b)(v).

"<u>Excluded Subsidiaries</u>" means, collectively, the direct Subsidiaries of Sellers included in the Excluded Entities and their respective direct and indirect Subsidiaries, in each case, as of the Closing Date.

"<u>Executory Contract</u>" means an executory Contract or unexpired lease of personal property or nonresidential real property.

"Executory Contract Designation Deadline" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.6(a).

"Existing Internal VEBA" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.17(h).

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"Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"<u>Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement</u>" means the Loan and Security Agreement, dated as of December 31, 2008, between Parent and Sponsor, as amended.

## "<u>FCPA</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.19**.

"<u>Final Determination</u>" means (i) with respect to U.S. federal income Taxes, a "determination" as defined in Section 1313(a) of the Tax Code or execution of an IRS Form 870-AD and, (ii) with respect to Taxes other than U.S. federal income Taxes, any final determination of Liability in respect of a Tax that, under applicable Law, is not subject to further appeal, review or modification through proceedings or otherwise, including the expiration of a statute of limitations or a period for the filing of Claims for refunds, amended Tax Returns or appeals from adverse determinations.

"<u>Final Order</u>" means (i) an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or any other court or adjudicative body as to which the time to appeal, petition for certiorari or move for reargument or rehearing has expired and as to which no appeal, petition for certiorari or other proceedings for reargument or rehearing shall then be pending, or (ii) in the event that an appeal, writ of certiorari, reargument or rehearing thereof has been sought, such Order of the Bankruptcy Court or any other court or adjudicative body shall have been affirmed by the highest court to which such Order was appealed, or certiorari has been denied, or from which reargument or rehearing was sought, and the time to take any further appeal, petition for certiorari or move for reargument or rehearing shall have expired; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no Order shall fail to be a Final Order solely because of the possibility that a motion pursuant to Rule 60 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure or Bankruptcy Rule 9024 may be filed with respect to such Order.

"<u>FSA Approval</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.34**.

"<u>G Transaction</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>GAAP</u>" means the United States generally accepted accounting principles and practices as in effect from time to time, consistently applied throughout the specified period.

"GMAC" means GMAC LLC.

"<u>GM Assumed Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Delphi Motion.

"<u>GMCL</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Governmental Authority</u>" means any United States or non-United States federal, national, provincial, state or local government or other political subdivision thereof, any entity, authority, agency or body exercising executive, legislative, judicial, regulatory or administrative functions of any such government or political subdivision, and any supranational organization of sovereign states exercising such functions for such sovereign states.

"<u>Government Related Subcontract Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(vii).

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"<u>Harlem</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Hazardous Materials</u>" means any material or substance that is regulated, or can give rise to Claims, Liabilities or Losses, under any Environmental Law or a Permit issued pursuant to any Environmental Law, including any petroleum, petroleum-based or petroleum-derived product, polychlorinated biphenyls, asbestos or asbestos-containing materials, lead and any noxious, radioactive, flammable, corrosive, toxic, hazardous or caustic substance (whether solid, liquid or gaseous).

"<u>Holding Company</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Holding Company Reorganization" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"Indebtedness" means, with respect to any Person, without duplication: (i) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money (including all accrued and unpaid interest and all prepayment penalties or premiums in respect thereof); (ii) all obligations of such Person to pay amounts evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments (including all accrued and unpaid interest and all prepayment penalties or premiums in respect thereof); (iii) all obligations of others, of the types set forth in clauses (i)-(ii) above that are secured by any Encumbrance on property owned or acquired by such Person, whether or not the obligations secured thereby have been assumed, but only to the extent so secured; (iv) all unreimbursed reimbursement obligations of such Person under letters of credit issued for the account of such Person; (v) obligations of such Person under conditional sale, title retention or similar arrangements or other obligations, in each case, to pay the deferred purchase price for property or services, to the extent of the unpaid purchase price (other than trade payables and customary reservations or retentions of title under Contracts with suppliers, in each case, in the Ordinary Course of Business); (vi) all net monetary obligations of such Person in respect of interest rate, equity and currency swap and other derivative transaction obligations; and (vii) all guarantees of or by such Person of any of the matters described in clauses (i)-(vi) above, to the extent of the maximum amount for which such Person may be liable pursuant to such guarantee.

"<u>Intellectual Property</u>" means all Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights, Trade Secrets, Software, all rights under the Licenses and all concepts, ideas, know-how, show-how, proprietary information, technology, formulae, processes and other general intangibles of like nature, and other intellectual property to the extent entitled to legal protection as such, including products under development and methodologies therefor, in each case acquired, owned or licensed by a Seller.

"Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(viii).

"Intercompany Obligations" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(iv).

"<u>Inventory</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(viii)**.

"<u>IRS</u>" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

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"Key Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect Subsidiary (which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall only include any legal entity in which a Seller, directly or indirectly, owns greater than 50% of the outstanding Equity Interests in such legal entity) of Sellers (other than trusts) with assets (excluding any Intercompany Obligations) in excess of Two Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars (\$250,000,000) as reflected on Parent's consolidated balance sheet as of March 31, 2009 and listed on Section 1.1C of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

"<u>Knowledge of Sellers</u>" means the actual knowledge of the individuals listed on Section 1.1D of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as to the matters represented and as of the date the representation is made.

"<u>Law</u>" means any and all applicable United States or non-United States federal, national, provincial, state or local laws, rules, regulations, directives, decrees, treaties, statutes, provisions of any constitution and principles (including principles of common law) of any Governmental Authority, as well as any applicable Final Order.

"<u>Landlocked Parcel</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(c)**.

"<u>Leased Real Property</u>" means all the real property leased or subleased by Sellers, except for any such leased or subleased real property subject to any Contracts designated as Excluded Contracts.

"<u>Lemon Laws</u>" means a state statute requiring a vehicle manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when such manufacturer is unable to conform a vehicle to the express written warranty after a reasonable number of attempts, as defined in the applicable statute.

"<u>Liabilities</u>" means any and all liabilities and obligations of every kind and description whatsoever, whether such liabilities or obligations are known or unknown, disclosed or undisclosed, matured or unmatured, accrued, fixed, absolute, contingent, determined or undeterminable, on or off-balance sheet or otherwise, or due or to become due, including Indebtedness and those arising under any Law, Claim, Order, Contract or otherwise.

"<u>Licenses</u>" means the Patent Licenses, the Trademark Licenses, the Copyright Licenses, the Software Licenses and the Trade Secret Licenses.

"<u>Losses</u>" means any and all Liabilities, losses, damages, fines, amounts paid in settlement, penalties, costs and expenses (including reasonable and documented attorneys', accountants', consultants', engineers' and experts' fees and expenses).

"<u>LSA Agreement</u>" means the Amended and Restated GM-Delphi Agreement, dated as of June 1, 2009, and any ancillary agreements entered into pursuant thereto, which any Seller is a party to, as each such agreement may be amended from time to time.

"<u>Master Lease Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(xiv)**.

"<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means any change, effect, occurrence or development that, individually or in the aggregate, has or would reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on the Purchased Assets, Assumed Liabilities or results of operations of Parent and its

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Purchased Subsidiaries, taken as a whole; provided, however, that the term "Material Adverse Effect" does not, and shall not be deemed to, include, either alone or in combination, any changes, effects, occurrences or developments: (i) resulting from general economic or business conditions in the United States or any other country in which Sellers and their respective Subsidiaries have operations, or the worldwide economy taken as a whole; (ii) affecting Sellers in the industry or the markets where Sellers operate (except to the extent such change, occurrence or development has a disproportionate adverse effect on Parent and its Subsidiaries relative to other participants in such industry or markets, taken as a whole); (iii) resulting from any changes (or proposed or prospective changes) in any Law or in GAAP or any foreign generally accepted accounting principles; (iv) in securities markets, interest rates, regulatory or political conditions, including resulting or arising from acts of terrorism or the commencement or escalation of any war, whether declared or undeclared, or other hostilities; (v) resulting from the negotiation, announcement or performance of this Agreement or the DIP Facility, or the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, including by reason of the identity of Sellers, Purchaser or Sponsor or any communication by Sellers, Purchaser or Sponsor of any plans or intentions regarding the operation of Sellers' business, including the Purchased Assets, prior to or following the Closing; (vi) resulting from any act or omission of any Seller required or contemplated by the terms of this Agreement, the DIP Facility or the Viability Plans, or otherwise taken with the prior consent of Sponsor or Purchaser, including Parent's announced shutdown, which began in May 2009; and (vii) resulting from the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases (or any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by any Subsidiary of Parent) or from any action approved by the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court in connection with any such other proceedings).

"<u>New VEBA</u>" means the trust fund established pursuant to the Settlement Agreement.

"<u>Non-Assignable Assets</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.4(a)**.

"<u>Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section** 6.17(m)(i).

"Non-UAW Settlement Agreements" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.17(m)(ii).

"<u>Notice of Intent to Reject</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b)**.

"<u>Novation Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(vi).

"<u>Option Period</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b**).

"<u>Order</u>" means any writ, judgment, decree, stipulation, agreement, determination, award, injunction or similar order of any Governmental Authority, whether temporary, preliminary or permanent.

"<u>Ordinary Course of Business</u>" means the usual, regular and ordinary course of business consistent with the past practice thereof (including with respect to quantity and frequency) as and to the extent modified in connection with (i) the implementation of the Viability Plans; (ii) Parent's announced shutdown, which began in May 2009; and (iii) the Bankruptcy Cases (or any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by or in respect of any Subsidiary of

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Parent), in the case of clause (iii), to the extent such modifications were approved by the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court or other Governmental Authority in connection with any such other proceedings), or in furtherance of such approval.

"<u>Organizational Document</u>" means (i) with respect to a corporation, the certificate or articles of incorporation and bylaws or their equivalent; (ii) with respect to any other entity, any charter, bylaws, limited liability company agreement, certificate of formation, articles of organization or similar document adopted or filed in connection with the creation, formation or organization of a Person; and (iii) in the case of clauses (i) and (ii) above, any amendment to any of the foregoing other than as prohibited by **Section 6.2(b)(vi)**.

"<u>Original Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>Owned Real Property</u>" means all real property owned by Sellers (including all buildings, structures and improvements thereon and appurtenances thereto), except for any such real property included in the Excluded Real Property.

"<u>Parent</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies" means all (i) "employee benefit plans" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) and all pension, savings, profit sharing, retirement, bonus, incentive, health, dental, life, death, accident, disability, stock purchase, stock option, stock appreciation, stock bonus, other equity, executive or deferred compensation, hospitalization, post-retirement (including retiree medical or retiree life, voluntary employees' beneficiary associations, and multiemployer plans (as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA)), severance, retention, change in control, vacation, cafeteria, sick leave, fringe, perquisite, welfare benefits or other employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements (whether written or oral), including those plans, programs, policies, agreements and arrangement is an eligible participant, (ii) employment or individual consulting Contracts and (iii) employee manuals and written policies, practices or understandings relating to employment, compensation and benefits, and in the case of clauses (i) through (iii), sponsored, maintained, entered into, or contributed to, or required to be maintained or contributed to, by Parent.

"<u>Parent SEC Documents</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.5(a).

"<u>Parent Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(a)(iii)**.

"<u>Parent Warrant A</u>" means warrants to acquire 45,454,545 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to a warrant agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>.

"<u>Parent Warrant B</u>" means warrants to acquire 45,454,545 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to a warrant agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>.

"Parent Warrants" means collectively, Parent Warrant A and Parent Warrant B.

"<u>Participation Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.7(b).

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"<u>Parties</u>" means Sellers and Purchaser together, and "<u>Party</u>" means any of Sellers, on the one hand, or Purchaser, on the other hand, as appropriate and as the case may be.

"<u>Patent Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any right to manufacture, use, lease, or sell any invention, design, idea, concept, method, technique or process covered by any Patent.

"<u>Patents</u>" means all inventions, patentable designs, letters patent and design letters patent of the United States or any other country and all applications (regular and provisional) for letters patent or design letters patent of the United States or any other country, including applications in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any state thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof, and all reissues, divisions, continuations, continuations in part, revisions, reexaminations and extensions or renewals of any of the foregoing.

"<u>PBGC</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 4.10(a)**.

"<u>Permits</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a)(xi).

"Permitted Encumbrances" means all (i) purchase money security interests arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (ii) security interests relating to progress payments created or arising pursuant to government Contracts in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iii) security interests relating to vendor tooling arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iv) Encumbrances that have been or may be created by or with the written consent of Purchaser; (v) mechanic's, materialmen's, laborer's, workmen's, repairmen's, carrier's liens and other similar Encumbrances arising by operation of law or statute in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts that are not delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which appropriate reserves have been established; (vi) liens for Taxes, the validity or amount of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and statutory liens for current Taxes not yet due, payable or delinquent (or which may be paid without interest or penalties); (vii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Owned Real Property, other than Secured Real Property Encumbrances at and following the Closing: (a) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use of the affected property; (b) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways abutting or adjacent to the applicable Owned Real Property; (c) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Owned Real Property, which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use of the applicable Owned Real Property; and (d) such other Encumbrances, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with or affect the present use or occupancy of the applicable Owned Real Property; (viii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Leased Real Property: (1) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose; (2) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways

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abutting or adjacent to the applicable Leased Real Property; (3) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Leased Real Property or which have otherwise been imposed on such property by landlords; (ix) in the case of the Transferred Equity Interests, all restrictions and obligations contained in any Organizational Document, joint venture agreement, shareholders agreement, voting agreement and related documents and agreements, in each case, affecting the Transferred Equity Interests; (x) except to the extent otherwise agreed to in the Ratification Agreement entered into by Sellers and GMAC on June 1, 2009 and approved by the Bankruptcy Court on the date thereof or any other written agreement between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller, all Claims (in each case solely to the extent such Claims constitute Encumbrances) and Encumbrances in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries in, upon or with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest, including any of the following: (1) cash, deposits, certificates of deposit, deposit accounts, escrow funds, surety bonds, letters of credit and similar agreements and instruments; (2) owned or leased equipment; (3) owned or leased real property; (4) motor vehicles, inventory, equipment, statements of origin, certificates of title, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, documents and instruments of dealers, including property of dealers in-transit to, surrendered or returned by or repossessed from dealers or otherwise in any Seller's possession or under its control; (5) property securing obligations of Sellers under derivatives Contracts; (6) rights or property with respect to which a Claim or Encumbrance in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries is disclosed in any filing made by Parent with the SEC (including any filed exhibit); and (7) supporting obligations, insurance rights and Claims against third parties relating to the foregoing; and (xi) all rights of setoff and/or recoupment that are Encumbrances in favor of GMAC and/or its Subsidiaries against amounts owed to Sellers and/or any of their Subsidiaries with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest as more fully described in clause (x) above; it being understood that nothing in this clause (xi) or preceding clause (x) shall be deemed to modify, amend or otherwise change any agreement as between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller.

"<u>Person</u>" means any individual, partnership, firm, corporation, association, trust, unincorporated organization, joint venture, limited liability company, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"<u>Personal Information</u>" means any information relating to an identified or identifiable living individual, including (i) first initial or first name and last name; (ii) home address or other physical address, including street name and name of city or town; (iii) e-mail address or other online contact information (e.g., instant messaging user identifier); (iv) telephone number; (v) social security number or other government-issued personal identifier such as a tax identification number or driver's license number; (vi) internet protocol address; (vii) persistent identifier (e.g., a unique customer number in a cookie); (viii) financial account information (account number, credit or debit card numbers or banking information); (ix) date of birth; (x) mother's maiden name; (xi) medical information (including electronic protected health information as defined by the rules and regulations of the Health Information Portability and Privacy Act, as amended); (xii) digitized or electronic signature; and (xiii) any other information that is combined with any of the above. "<u>Personal Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(vii)**.

"<u>Petition Date</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Recitals.

"<u>PLR</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Post-Closing Tax Period</u>" means any taxable period beginning after the Closing Date and the portion of any Straddle Period beginning after the Closing Date.

"<u>Pre-Closing Tax Period</u>" means any taxable period ending on or before the Closing Date and the portion of any Straddle Period ending on the Closing Date.

"<u>Preferred Stock</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4(b)**.

"<u>Privacy Policy</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any written privacy policy, statement, rule or notice regarding the collection, use, access, safeguarding and retention of Personal Information or "Personally Identifiable Information" (as defined by Section 101(41A) of the Bankruptcy Code) of any individual, including a customer, potential customer, employee or former employee of such Person, or an employee of any of such Person's automotive or parts dealers.

"<u>Product Liabilities</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.3(a)(ix)**.

"<u>Promark UK Subsidiaries</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.34.

"<u>Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.6(b).

"<u>Purchase Price</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(a)**.

"<u>Purchased Assets</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.2(a).

"<u>Purchased Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(x)**.

"<u>Purchased Subsidiaries</u>" means, collectively, the direct Subsidiaries of Sellers included in the Transferred Entities, and their respective direct and indirect Subsidiaries, in each case, as of the Closing Date.

"<u>Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plans</u>" means any (i) defined benefit or defined contribution retirement plan maintained by any Purchased Subsidiary and (ii) severance, change in control, bonus, incentive or any similar plan or arrangement maintained by a Purchased Subsidiary for the benefit of officers or senior management of such Purchased Subsidiary.

"<u>Purchaser</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Purchaser Assumed Debt</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.3(a)(i)**.

"<u>Purchaser Expense Reimbursement</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 8.2(b)**.

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"<u>Purchaser Material Adverse Effect</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.3(a).

"<u>Purchaser's Disclosure Schedule</u>" means the Schedule pertaining to, and corresponding to the Section references of this Agreement, delivered by Purchaser immediately prior to the execution of the Original Agreement.

"<u>Quitclaim Deeds</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(x)**.

"<u>Receivables</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(iii)**.

"<u>Rejectable Executory Contract</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(b)**.

"<u>Release</u>" means any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, migrating, dumping, discarding, burying, abandoning or disposing into the Environment of Hazardous Materials that is prohibited under, or reasonably likely to result in a Liability under, any applicable Environmental Law.

"<u>Relevant Information</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(ii)**.

"<u>Relevant Transactions</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.16(g)(i)**.

"<u>Ren Cen Lease</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.30**.

"<u>Representatives</u>" means all officers, directors, employees, consultants, agents, lenders, accountants, attorneys and other representatives of a Person.

"<u>Required Subdivision</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(a)**.

"<u>Restricted Cash</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(ii)**.

"<u>Retained Liabilities</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.3(b)**.

"<u>Retained Plans</u>" means any Parent Employee Benefit Plan and Policy that is not an Assumed Plan.

"<u>Retained Subsidiaries</u>" means all Subsidiaries of Sellers and their respective direct and indirect Subsidiaries, as of the Closing Date, other than the Purchased Subsidiaries.

"<u>Retained Workers' Compensation Claims</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section** 2.3(b)(xii).

"<u>RHI</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.30**.

"<u>RHI Post-Closing Period</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.30.

"<u>S Distribution</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>S LLC</u>" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

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"<u>Saginaw Landfill</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.27(b)**.

"Saginaw Metal Casting Land" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"Saginaw Nodular Iron Land" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"Saginaw Service Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(b).

"<u>Sale Approval Order</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(b)**.

"<u>Sale Hearing</u>" means the hearing of the Bankruptcy Court to approve the Sale Procedures and Sale Motion and enter the Sale Approval Order.

"Sale Procedures and Sale Motion" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.4(b).

"<u>Sale Procedures Order</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(b)**.

"SEC" means the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

"<u>Secured Real Property Encumbrances</u>" means all Encumbrances related to the Indebtedness of Sellers, which is secured by one or more parcels of the Owned Real Property, including Encumbrances related to the Indebtedness of Sellers under any synthetic lease arrangements at the White Marsh, Maryland GMPT - Baltimore manufacturing facility and the Memphis, Tennessee (SPO - Memphis) facility.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Seller" or "Sellers" has the meaning set forth in the Preamble.

"<u>Seller Group</u>" means any combined, unitary, consolidated or other affiliated group of which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is or has been a member for federal, state, provincial, local or foreign Tax purposes.

"<u>Seller Key Personnel</u>" means those individuals described on Section 1.1E of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

"Seller Material Contracts" has the meaning set forth in Section 4.16(a).

"<u>Sellers' Disclosure Schedule</u>" means the Schedule pertaining to, and corresponding to the Section references of this Agreement, delivered by Sellers to Purchaser immediately prior to the execution of this Agreement, as updated and supplemented pursuant to **Section 6.5**, **Section 6.6** and **Section 6.26**.

"Series A Preferred Stock" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.4(b).

"<u>Settlement Agreement</u>" means the Settlement Agreement, dated February 21, 2008 (as amended, supplemented, replaced or otherwise altered from time to time), among Parent, the UAW and certain class representatives, on behalf of the class of plaintiffs in the class action of

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Int'l Union, UAW, et al. v. General Motors Corp., Civil Action No. 07-14074 (E.D. Mich. filed Sept. 9, 2007).

"<u>Shared Executory Contracts</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.6(d)**.

"<u>Software</u>" means all software of any type (including programs, applications, middleware, utilities, tools, drivers, firmware, microcode, scripts, batch files, JCL files, instruction sets and macros) and in any form (including source code, object code, executable code and user interface), databases and associated data and related documentation, in each case owned, acquired or licensed by any Seller.

"<u>Software Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any right to use, modify, reproduce, distribute or create derivative works of any Software.

"Sponsor" means the United States Department of the Treasury.

"Sponsor Affiliate" has the meaning set forth in Section 9.22.

"<u>Sponsor Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4(c)**.

"<u>Straddle Period</u>" means a taxable period that includes but does not end on the Closing Date.

"Subdivision Master Lease" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(a).

"Subdivision Properties" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(a).

"<u>Subsidiary</u>" or "<u>Subsidiaries</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership or other legal entity (in each case, other than a joint venture if such Person is not empowered to control the day-to-day operations of such joint venture) of which such Person (either alone or through or together with any other Subsidiary) owns, directly or indirectly, more than fifty percent (50%) of the Equity Interests, the holder of which is entitled to vote for the election of the board of directors or other governing body of such corporation, limited liability company, partnership or other legal entity.

"<u>Superior Bid</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.4(d)**.

"<u>TARP</u>" means the Troubled Assets Relief Program established by Sponsor under the Emergency Economic Stabilization Act of 2008, Public Law No. 110-343, effective as of October 3, 2008, as amended by Section 7001 of Division B, Title VII of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Public Law No. 111-5, effective as of February 17, 2009, as may be further amended and in effect from time to time and any guidance issued by a regulatory authority thereunder and other related Laws in effect currently or in the future in the United States.

"<u>Tax</u>" or "<u>Taxes</u>" means any federal, state, provincial, local, foreign and other income, alternative minimum, accumulated earnings, personal holding company, franchise, capital stock,

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net worth or gross receipts, income, alternative or add-on minimum, capital, capital gains, sales, use, ad valorem, franchise, profits, license, privilege, transfer, withholding, payroll, employment, social, excise, severance, stamp, occupation, premium, goods and services, value added, property (including real property and personal property taxes), environmental, windfall profits or other taxes, customs, duties or similar fees, assessments or charges of any kind whatsoever, together with any interest and any penalties, additions to tax or additional amounts imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any transferee, successor or secondary liability for any such tax and any Liability assumed by Contract or arising as a result of being or ceasing to be a member of any affiliated group or similar group under state, provincial, local or foreign Law, or being included or required to be included in any Tax Return relating thereto.

"<u>Tax Code</u>" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"<u>Taxing Authority</u>" means, with respect to any Tax, the Governmental Authority thereof that imposes such Tax and the agency, court or other Person or body (if any) charged with the interpretation, administration or collection of such Tax for such Governmental Authority.

"<u>Tax Return</u>" means any return, report, declaration, form, election letter, statement or other information filed or required to be filed with any Governmental Authority with respect to Taxes, including any schedule or attachment thereto or amendment thereof.

"<u>Trademark Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming any Seller as licensor or licensee and providing for the grant of any right concerning any Trademark together with any goodwill connected with and symbolized by any such Trademark or Trademark Contract, and the right to prepare for sale or lease and sell or lease any and all products, inventory or services now or hereafter owned or provided by any Seller or any other Person and now or hereafter covered by such Contracts.

"<u>Trademarks</u>" means all domestic and foreign trademarks, service marks, collective marks, certification marks, trade dress, trade names, business names, d/b/a's, Internet domain names, designs, logos and other source or business identifiers, and all general intangibles of like nature, now or hereafter owned, adopted, used, acquired, or licensed by any Seller, all applications, registrations and recordings thereof (including applications, registrations and recordings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any state thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof) and all reissues, extensions or renewals thereof, together with all goodwill of the business symbolized by or associated with such marks.

"<u>Trade Secrets</u>" means all trade secrets or Confidential Information, including any confidential technical and business information, program, process, method, plan, formula, product design, compilation of information, customer list, sales forecast, know-how, Software, and any other confidential proprietary intellectual property, and all additions and improvements to, and books and records describing or used in connection with, any of the foregoing, in each case, owned, acquired or licensed by any Seller.

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"<u>Trade Secret Licenses</u>" means all Contracts naming a Seller as licensee or licensor and providing for the grant of any rights with respect to Trade Secrets.

"<u>Transfer Taxes</u>" means all transfer, documentary, sales, use, stamp, registration and other similar Taxes and fees (including any penalties and interest) incurred in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby and not otherwise exempted under the Bankruptcy Code, including relating to the transfer of the Transferred Real Property.

"<u>Transfer Tax Forms</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.2(c)(xi)**.

"<u>Transferred Employee</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.17(a)**.

"<u>Transferred Entities</u>" means all of the direct Subsidiaries of Sellers and joint venture entities or other entities in which any Seller has an Equity Interest, other than the Excluded Entities.

"<u>Transferred Equity Interests</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(v)**.

"<u>Transferred Real Property</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(vi)**.

"<u>Transition Services Agreement</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 7.2(c)(ix).

"Transition Team" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.11(c).

"<u>UAW</u>" means the International Union, United Automobile, Aerospace and Agricultural Implement Workers of America.

"<u>UAW Active Labor Modifications</u>" means the modifications to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, as agreed to in the 2009 Addendum to the 2007 UAW-GM National Agreement, dated May 17, 2009, the cover page of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit C</u> (the 2009 Addendum without attachments), which modifications were ratified by the UAW membership on May 29, 2009.

"UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement" means any written or oral Contract, understanding or mutually recognized past practice between Sellers and the UAW with respect to Employees, including the UAW Active Labor Modifications, but excluding the agreement to provide certain retiree medical benefits specified in the Memorandum of Understanding Post-Retirement Medical Care, dated September 26, 2007, between Parent and the UAW, and the For purpose of clarity, the term "UAW Collective Bargaining Settlement Agreement. Agreement" includes all special attrition programs, divestiture-related memorandums of understanding or implementation agreements relating to any unit or location where covered UAW-represented employees remain and any current local agreement between Parent and a UAW local relating to any unit or location where UAW-represented employees are employed as of the date of the Original Agreement. For purposes of clarity, nothing in this definition extends the coverage of the UAW-GM National Agreement to any Employee of S LLC, S Distribution, Harlem, a Purchased Subsidiary or one of Parent's Affiliates; nothing in this Agreement creates a direct employment relationship with a Purchased Subsidiary's employee or an Affiliate's Employee and Parent.

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"<u>UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement</u>" means the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement to be executed prior to the Closing, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit D</u>.

"<u>Union</u>" means any labor union, organization or association representing any employees (but not including the UAW) with respect to their employment with any of Sellers or their Affiliates.

"<u>United States</u>" or "<u>U.S.</u>" means the United States of America, including its territories and insular possessions.

"<u>UST Credit Bid Amount</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(a)(i)**.

"<u>UST Credit Facilities</u>" means (i) the Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement and (ii) those certain promissory notes dated December 31, 2008, April 22, 2009, May 20, 2009, and May 27, 2009, issued by Parent to Sponsor as additional compensation for the extensions of credit under the Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement, in each case, as amended.

"<u>UST Warrant</u>" means the warrant issued by Parent to Sponsor in consideration for the extension of credit made available to Parent under the Existing UST Loan and Security Agreement.

"<u>VEBA Shares</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 5.4**(c).

"<u>VEBA Note</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 7.3**(g)(iv).

"<u>VEBA Warrant</u>" means warrants to acquire 15,151,515 shares of Common Stock issued pursuant to a warrant agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit E</u>.

"<u>Viability Plans</u>" means (i) Parent's Restructuring Plan for Long-Term Viability, dated December 2, 2008; (ii) Parent's 2009-2014 Restructuring Plan, dated February 17, 2009; (iii) Parent's 2009-2014 Restructuring Plan: Progress Report, dated March 30, 2009; and (iv) Parent's Revised Viability Plan, all as described in Parent's Registration Statement on Form S-4 (Reg. No 333-158802), initially filed with the SEC on April 27, 2009, in each case, as amended, supplemented and/or superseded.

"<u>WARN</u>" means the Workers Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act of 1988, as amended, and similar foreign, state and local Laws.

"<u>Willow Run Landlord</u>" means the Wayne County Airport Authority, or any successor landlord under the Willow Run Lease.

"<u>Willow Run Lease</u>" means that certain Willow Run Airport Lease of Land dated October 11, 1985, as the same may be amended, by and between the Willow Run Landlord, as landlord, and Parent, as tenant, for certain premises located at the Willow Run Airport in Wayne and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan.

"<u>Willow Run Lease Amendment</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.27(e).

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#### "<u>Wind Down Facility</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 6.9(b)**.

Other Interpretive Provisions. The words "hereof", "herein" and Section 1.2 "hereunder" and words of similar import when used in this Agreement refer to this Agreement as a whole (including the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule) and not to any particular provision of this Agreement, and all Article, Section, Sections of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and Exhibit references are to this Agreement unless otherwise specified. The words "include", "includes" and "including" are deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation." The meanings given to terms defined herein are equally applicable to both the singular and plural forms of such terms. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun includes the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all references to "Dollars" or "\$" are deemed references to lawful money of the United States. Unless otherwise specified, references to any statute, listing rule, rule, standard, regulation or other Law (a) include a reference to the corresponding rules and regulations and (b) include a reference to each of them as amended, modified, supplemented, consolidated, replaced or rewritten from time to time, and to any section of any statute, listing rule, rule, standard, regulation or other Law, including any successor to such section. Where this Agreement states that a Party "shall" or "will" perform in some manner or otherwise act or omit to act, it means that the Party is legally obligated to do so in accordance with this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE II PURCHASE AND SALE

Section 2.1 Purchase and Sale of Assets; Assumption of Liabilities. On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, other than as set forth in Section 6.30, Section 6.34 and Section 6.35, at the Closing, Purchaser shall (a) purchase, accept and acquire from Sellers, and Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey and deliver to Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances), Claims and other interests, the Purchased Assets and (b) assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, all of the Assumed Liabilities.

#### Section 2.2 Purchased and Excluded Assets.

(a) The "<u>Purchased Assets</u>" shall consist of the right, title and interest that Sellers possess and have the right to legally transfer in and to all of the properties, assets, rights, titles and interests of every kind and nature, owned, leased, used or held for use by Sellers (including indirect and other forms of beneficial ownership), whether tangible or intangible, real, personal or mixed, and wherever located and by whomever possessed, in each case, as the same may exist as of the Closing, including the following properties, assets, rights, titles and interests (but, in every case, excluding the Excluded Assets):

(i) all cash and cash equivalents, including all marketable securities, certificates of deposit and all collected funds or items in the process of collection at Sellers' financial institutions through and including the Closing, and all bank deposits, investment accounts and lockboxes related thereto, other than the Excluded Cash and Restricted Cash;

(ii) all restricted or escrowed cash and cash equivalents, including restricted marketable securities and certificates of deposit (collectively, "<u>Restricted Cash</u>") other than the Restricted Cash described in **Section 2.2(b)(ii)**;

(iii) all accounts and notes receivable and other such Claims for money due to Sellers, including the full benefit of all security for such accounts, notes and Claims, however arising, including arising from the rendering of services or the sale of goods or materials, together with any unpaid interest accrued thereon from the respective obligors and any security or collateral therefor, other than intercompany receivables (collectively, "<u>Receivables</u>");

(iv) all intercompany obligations ("<u>Intercompany Obligations</u>") owed or due, directly or indirectly, to Sellers by any Subsidiary of a Seller or joint venture or other entity in which a Seller or a Subsidiary of a Seller has any Equity Interest;

(v) (A) subject to **Section 2.4**, all Equity Interests in the Transferred Entities (collectively, the "<u>Transferred Equity Interests</u>") and (B) the corporate charter, qualification to conduct business as a foreign corporation, arrangements with registered agents relating to foreign qualifications, taxpayer and other identification numbers, corporate seal, minute books, stock transfer books, blank stock certificates and any other documents relating to the organization, maintenance and existence of each Transferred Entity;

(vi) all Owned Real Property and Leased Real Property (collectively, the "<u>Transferred Real Property</u>");

(vii) all machinery, equipment (including test equipment and material handling equipment), hardware, spare parts, tools, dies, jigs, molds, patterns, gauges, fixtures (including production fixtures), business machines, computer hardware, other information technology assets, furniture, supplies, vehicles, spare parts in respect of any of the foregoing and other tangible personal property (including any of the foregoing in the possession of manufacturers, suppliers, customers, dealers or others and any of the foregoing in transit) that does not constitute Inventory (collectively, "<u>Personal Property</u>"), including the Personal Property located at the Excluded Real Property and identified on Section 2.2(a)(vii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule;

(viii) all inventories of vehicles, raw materials, work-in-process, finished goods, supplies, stock, parts, packaging materials and other accessories related thereto (collectively, "<u>Inventory</u>"), wherever located, including any of the foregoing in the possession of manufacturers, suppliers, customers, dealers or others and any of the foregoing in transit or that is classified as returned goods;

(ix) (A) all Intellectual Property, whether owned, licensed or otherwise held, and whether or not registrable (including any Trademarks and other Intellectual Property associated with the Discontinued Brands), and (B) all rights and benefits associated with the foregoing, including all rights to sue or recover for past, present and future infringement, misappropriation, dilution, unauthorized use or other impairment or violation of any of the foregoing, and all income, royalties, damages and payments now or hereafter due or payable with respect to any of the foregoing;

(x) subject to **Section 2.4**, all Contracts, other than the Excluded Contracts (collectively, the "<u>Purchased Contracts</u>"), including, for the avoidance of doubt, (A) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and (B) any Executory Contract designated as an Assumable Executory Contract as of the applicable Assumption Effective Date;

(xi) subject to **Section 2.4**, all approvals, Contracts, authorizations, permits, licenses, easements, Orders, certificates, registrations, franchises, qualifications, rulings, waivers, variances or other forms of permission, consent, exemption or authority issued, granted, given or otherwise made available by or under the authority of any Governmental Authority, including all pending applications therefor and all renewals and extensions thereof (collectively, "<u>Permits</u>"), other than to the extent that any of the foregoing relate exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xii) all credits, deferred charges, prepaid expenses, deposits, advances, warranties, rights, guarantees, surety bonds, letters of credit, trust arrangements and other similar financial arrangements, in each case, relating to the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including all warranties, rights and guarantees (whether express or implied) made by suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and other third parties under or in connection with the Purchased Contracts;

(xiii) all Claims (including Tax refunds) relating to the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including the Claims identified on Section 2.2(a)(xiii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and all Claims against any Taxing Authority for any period, other than Bankruptcy Avoidance Actions and any of the foregoing to the extent that they relate exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xiv) all books, records, ledgers, files, documents, correspondence, lists, plats, specifications, surveys, drawings, advertising and promotional materials, reports and other materials (in whatever form or medium), including Tax books and records and Tax Returns used or held for use in connection with the ownership or operation of the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including the Purchased Contracts, customer lists, customer information and account records, computer files, data processing records, employment and personnel records, advertising and marketing data and records, credit records, records relating to suppliers, legal records and information and other data;

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(xv) all goodwill and other intangible personal property arising in connection with the ownership, license, use or operation of the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities;

(xvi) to the extent provided in **Section 6.17(e)**, all Assumed Plans;

(xvii) all insurance policies and the rights to the proceeds thereof, other than the Excluded Insurance Policies;

(xviii) any rights of any Seller, Subsidiary of any Seller or Seller Group member to any Tax refunds, credits or abatements that relate to any Pre-Closing Tax Period or Straddle Period; and

(xix) any interest in Excluded Insurance Policies, only to the extent such interest relates to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability.

(b) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, Sellers shall retain all of their respective right, title and interest in and to, and shall not, and shall not be deemed to, sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver to Purchaser, and the Purchased Assets shall not, and shall not be deemed to, include the following (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Assets</u>"):

(i) cash or cash equivalents in an amount equal to \$950,000,000 (the "<u>Excluded Cash</u>");

(ii) all Restricted Cash exclusively relating to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(iii) all Receivables (other than Intercompany Obligations) exclusively related to any Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(iv) all of Sellers' Equity Interests in (A) S LLC, (B) S Distribution, (C) Harlem and (D) the Subsidiaries, joint ventures and the other entities in which any Seller has any Equity Interest and that are identified on Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Entities</u>");

(v) (A) all owned real property set forth on **Exhibit F** and such additional owned real property set forth on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (including, in each case, any structures, buildings or other improvements located thereon and appurtenances thereto) and (B) all real property leased or subleased that is subject to a Contract designated as an "Excluded Contract" (collectively, the "Excluded Real Property");

(vi) all Personal Property that is (A) located at the Transferred Real Property and identified on Section 2.2(b)(vi) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule,
(B) located at the Excluded Real Property, except for those items identified on Section 2.2(a)(vii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or (C) subject to a Contract

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designated as an Excluded Contract (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Personal</u> <u>Property</u>");

(vii) (A) all Contracts identified on Section 2.2(b)(vii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule immediately prior to the Closing, (B) all pre-petition Executory Contracts designated as Rejectable Executory Contracts, (C) all prepetition Executory Contracts (including, for the avoidance of doubt, the Delphi Transaction Agreements and GM Assumed Contracts) that have not been designated as or deemed to be Assumable Executory Contracts in accordance with Section 6.6 or Section 6.31, or that are determined, pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order, not to be assumable and assignable to Purchaser, (D) all Collective Bargaining Agreements not set forth on the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule and (E) all non-Executory Contracts for which performance by a third-party or counterparty is substantially complete and for which a Seller owes a continuing or future obligation with respect to such non-Executory Contracts (collectively, the "Excluded Contracts"), including any accounts receivable arising out of or in connection with any Excluded Contract; it being understood and agreed by the Parties hereto that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, in no event shall the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement be designated or otherwise deemed or considered an Excluded Contract;

(viii) all books, records, ledgers, files, documents, correspondence, lists, plats, specifications, surveys, drawings, advertising and promotional materials, reports and other materials (in whatever form or medium) relating exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities, and any books, records and other materials that any Seller is required by Law to retain;

(ix) the corporate charter, qualification to conduct business as a foreign corporation, arrangements with registered agents relating to foreign qualifications, taxpayer and other identification numbers, corporate seal, minute books, stock transfer books, blank stock certificates and any other documents relating to the organization, maintenance and existence of each Seller and each Excluded Entity;

(x) all Claims against suppliers, dealers and any other third parties relating exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xi) all of Sellers' Claims under this Agreement, the Ancillary Agreements and the Bankruptcy Code, of whatever kind or nature, as set forth in Sections 544 through 551 (inclusive), 553, 558 and any other applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code, and any related Claims and actions arising under such sections by operation of Law or otherwise, including any and all proceeds of the foregoing (the "<u>Bankruptcy Avoidance Actions</u>"), but in all cases, excluding all rights and Claims identified on Section 2.2(b)(xi) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule;

(xii) all credits, deferred charges, prepaid expenses, deposits and advances, warranties, rights, guarantees, surety bonds, letters of credit, trust arrangements and other similar financial arrangements, in each case, relating exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xiii) all insurance policies identified on Section 2.2(b)(xiii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and the rights to proceeds thereof (collectively, the "<u>Excluded Insurance Policies</u>"), other than any rights to proceeds to the extent such proceeds relate to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability;

(xiv) all Permits, to the extent that they relate exclusively to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities;

(xv) all Retained Plans; and

(xvi) those assets identified on Section 2.2(b)(xvi) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

Section 2.3 Assumed and Retained Liabilities.

(a) The "<u>Assumed Liabilities</u>" shall consist only of the following Liabilities of Sellers:

(i) \$7,072,488,605 of Indebtedness incurred under the DIP Facility, to be restructured pursuant to the terms of **Section 6.9** (the "<u>Purchaser Assumed Debt</u>");

(ii) all Liabilities under each Purchased Contract;

(iii) all Intercompany Obligations owed or due, directly or indirectly, by Sellers to (A) any Purchased Subsidiary or (B) any joint venture or other entity in which a Seller or a Purchased Subsidiary has any Equity Interest (other than an Excluded Entity);

(iv) all Cure Amounts under each Assumable Executory Contract that becomes a Purchased Contract;

(v) all Liabilities of Sellers (A) arising in the Ordinary Course of Business during the Bankruptcy Case through and including the Closing Date, to the extent such Liabilities are administrative expenses of Sellers' estates pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and (B) arising prior to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases to the extent approved by the Bankruptcy Court for payment by Sellers pursuant to a Final Order (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers' Liabilities in clauses (A) and (B) above include Sellers' Liabilities for personal property Taxes, real estate and/or other ad valorem Taxes, use Taxes, sales Taxes, franchise Taxes, income Taxes, gross receipt Taxes, excise Taxes, Michigan Business Taxes and Michigan Single Business Taxes), in each case, other than (1) Liabilities of the type described in

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Section 2.3(b)(iv), Section 2.3(b)(vi) and Section 2.3(b)(ix), (2) Liabilities arising under any dealer sales and service Contract and any Contract related thereto, to the extent such Contract has been designated as a Rejectable Executory Contract, and (3) Liabilities otherwise assumed in this Section 2.3(a);

(vi) all Transfer Taxes payable in connection with the sale, transfer, assignment, conveyance and delivery of the Purchased Assets pursuant to the terms of this Agreement;

(vii) (A) all Liabilities arising under express written warranties of Sellers that are specifically identified as warranties and delivered in connection with the sale of new, certified used or pre-owned vehicles or new or remanufactured motor vehicle parts and equipment (including service parts, accessories, engines and transmissions) manufactured or sold by Sellers or Purchaser prior to or after the Closing and (B) all obligations under Lemon Laws;

(viii) all Liabilities arising under any Environmental Law (A) relating to conditions present on the Transferred Real Property, other than those Liabilities described in **Section 2.3(b)(iv)**, (B) resulting from Purchaser's ownership or operation of the Transferred Real Property after the Closing or (C) relating to Purchaser's failure to comply with Environmental Laws after the Closing;

(ix) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, or other injury to Persons or damage to property caused by motor vehicles designed for operation on public roadways or by the component parts of such motor vehicles and, in each case, manufactured, sold or delivered by Sellers (collectively, "<u>Product Liabilities</u>"), which arise directly out of accidents, incidents or other distinct and discreet occurrences that happen on or after the Closing Date and arise from such motor vehicles' operation or performance (for avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume, or become liable to pay, perform or discharge, any Liability arising or contended to arise by reason of exposure to materials utilized in the assembly or fabrication of motor vehicles manufactured by Sellers and delivered prior to the Closing Date, including asbestos, silicates or fluids, regardless of when such alleged exposure occurs);

(x) all Liabilities of Sellers arising out of, relating to, in respect of, or in connection with workers' compensation claims against any Seller, except for Retained Workers' Compensation Claims;

(xi) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of, or in connection with the use, ownership or sale of the Purchased Assets after the Closing;

(xii) all Liabilities (A) specifically assumed by Purchaser pursuant to **Section 6.17** and (B) arising out of, relating to or in connection with the salaries and/or wages and vacation of all Transferred Employees that are accrued and unpaid (or with respect to vacation, unused) as of the Closing Date;

(xiii) (A) all Employment-Related Obligations and (B) Liabilities under any Assumed Plan, in each case, relating to any Employee that is or was covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, except for Retained Workers Compensation Claims;

(xiv) all Liabilities of Sellers underlying any construction liens that constitute Permitted Encumbrances with respect to Transferred Real Property; and

(xv) those other Liabilities identified on Section 2.3(a)(xv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

(b) Each Seller acknowledges and agrees that pursuant to the terms and provisions of this Agreement, Purchaser shall not assume, or become liable to pay, perform or discharge, any Liability of any Seller, whether occurring or accruing before, at or after the Closing, other than the Assumed Liabilities. In furtherance and not in limitation of the foregoing, and in all cases with the exception of the Assumed Liabilities, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates shall assume, or be deemed to have assumed, any Indebtedness, Claim or other Liability of any Seller or any predecessor, Subsidiary or Affiliate of any Seller whatsoever, whether occurring or accruing before, at or after the Closing, including the following (collectively, the "<u>Retained Liabilities</u>"):

(i) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Indebtedness of Sellers (other than Intercompany Obligations and the Purchaser Assumed Debt), including those items identified on Section 2.3(b)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule;

(ii) all Intercompany Obligations owed or due, directly or indirectly, by Sellers to (A) another Seller, (B) any Excluded Subsidiary or (C) any joint venture or other entity in which a Seller or an Excluded Subsidiary has an Equity Interest (other than a Transferred Entity);

(iii) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the Excluded Assets, other than Liabilities otherwise retained in this **Section 2.3(b)**;

(iv) all Liabilities (A) associated with noncompliance with Environmental Laws (including for fines, penalties, damages and remedies); (B) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the transportation, off-site storage or off-site disposal of any Hazardous Materials generated or located at any Transferred Real Property; (C) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with third-party Claims related to Hazardous Materials that were or are located at or that migrated or may migrate from any Transferred Real Property, except as otherwise required under applicable Environmental Laws; (D) arising under Environmental Laws related to the Excluded Real Property; or (E) for environmental Liabilities with respect to real property formerly owned, operated or leased by Sellers (as of the Closing), which, in the case of clauses (A),

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(B) and (C), arose prior to or at the Closing, and which, in the case of clause (D) and (E), arise prior to, at or after the Closing;

(v) except for Taxes assumed in Section 2.3(a)(v) and Section 2.3(a)(v), all Liabilities with respect to any (A) Taxes arising in connection with Sellers' business, the Purchased Assets or the Assumed Liabilities and that are attributable to a Pre-Closing Tax Period (including any Taxes incurred in connection with the sale of the Purchased Assets, other than all Transfer Taxes), (B) other Taxes of any Seller and (C) Taxes of any Seller Group, including any Liability of any Seller or any Seller Group member for Taxes arising as a result of being or ceasing to be a member of any Seller Group (it being understood, for the avoidance of doubt, that no provision of this Agreement shall cause Sellers to be liable for Taxes of any Purchased Subsidiary for which Sellers would not be liable absent this Agreement);

(vi) all Liabilities for (A) costs and expenses relating to the preparation, negotiation and entry into this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements (and the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements, which, for the avoidance of doubt, shall not include any Transfer Taxes), including Advisory Fees, (B) administrative fees, professional fees and all other expenses under the Bankruptcy Code and (C) all other fees and expenses associated with the administration of the Bankruptcy Cases;

(vii) all Employment-Related Obligations not otherwise assumed in **Section 2.3(a)** and **Section 6.17**, including those arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the employment, potential employment or termination of employment of any individual (other than any Employee that is or was covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement) (A) prior to or at the Closing (including any severance policy, plan or program that exists or arises, or may be deemed to exist or arise, as a result of, or in connection with, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement) or (B) who is not a Transferred Employee arising after the Closing and with respect to both clauses (A) and (B) above, including any Liability arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Collective Bargaining Agreement (other than the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement);

(viii) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with Claims for infringement or misappropriation of third party intellectual property rights;

(ix) all Product Liabilities arising in whole or in part from any accidents, incidents or other occurrences that happen prior to the Closing Date;

(x) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, other injury to Persons or damage to property, in each case, arising out of asbestos exposure;

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(xi) all Liabilities to third parties for Claims based upon Contract, tort or any other basis;

(xii) all workers' compensation Claims with respect to Employees residing in or employed in, as the case may be as defined by applicable Law, the states set forth on <u>Exhibit G</u> (collectively, "<u>Retained Workers' Compensation</u> <u>Claims</u>");

(xiii) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Retained Plan;

(xiv) all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with any Assumed Plan or Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plan, but only to the extent such Liabilities result from the failure of such Assumed Plan or Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plan to comply in all respects with TARP or such Liability related to any changes to or from the administration of such Assumed Plan or Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plan prior to the Closing Date;

(xv) the Settlement Agreement, except as provided with respect to Liabilities under Section 5A of the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement; and

(xvi) all Liabilities arising out of, related to or in connection with any (A) implied warranty or other implied obligation arising under statutory or common law without the necessity of an express warranty or (B) allegation, statement or writing by or attributable to Sellers.

#### Section 2.4 Non-Assignability.

(a) If any Contract, Transferred Equity Interest (or any interest therein), Permit or other asset, which by the terms of this Agreement, is intended to be included in the Purchased Assets is determined not capable of being assigned or transferred (whether pursuant to Sections 363 or 365 of the Bankruptcy Code) to Purchaser at the Closing without the consent of another party thereto, the issuer thereof or any third party (including a Governmental Authority) ("<u>Non-Assignable Assets</u>"), this Agreement shall not constitute an assignment thereof, or an attempted assignment thereof, unless and until any such consent is obtained. Subject to **Section 6.3**, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts, and Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to cooperate with Sellers, to obtain the consents necessary to assign to Purchaser the Non-Assignable Assets before, at or after the Closing; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that neither Sellers nor Purchaser shall be required to make any expenditure, incur any Liability, agree to any modification to any Contract or forego or alter any rights in connection with such efforts.

(b) To the extent that the consents referred to in **Section 2.4(a)** are not obtained by Sellers, except as otherwise provided in the Ancillary Documents to which one or more Sellers is a party, Sellers' sole responsibility with respect to such Non-Assignable Assets shall be to use reasonable best efforts, at no cost to Sellers, to (i) provide to Purchaser the benefits of any Non-Assignable Assets; (ii) cooperate in any

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reasonable and lawful arrangement designed to provide the benefits of any Non-Assignable Assets to Purchaser without incurring any financial obligation to Purchaser; and (iii) enforce for the account of Purchaser and at the cost of Purchaser any rights of Sellers arising from any Non-Assignable Asset against such party or parties thereto; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that any such efforts described in clauses (i) through (iii) above shall be made only with the consent, and at the direction, of Purchaser. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, with respect to any Non-Assignable Asset that is a Contract of Leased Real Property for which a consent is not obtained on or prior to the Closing Date, Purchaser shall enter into a sublease containing the same terms and conditions as such lease (unless such lease by its terms prohibits such subleasing arrangement), and entry into and compliance with such sublease shall satisfy the obligations of the Parties under this **Section 2.4(b)** until such consent is obtained.

If Purchaser is provided the benefits of any Non-Assignable Asset (c) pursuant to Section 2.4(b), Purchaser shall perform, on behalf of the applicable Seller, for the benefit of the issuer thereof or the other party or parties thereto, the obligations (including payment obligations) of the applicable Seller thereunder or in connection therewith arising from and after the Closing Date and if Purchaser fails to perform to the extent required herein, Sellers, without waiving any rights or remedies that they may have under this Agreement or applicable Laws, may (i) suspend their performance under Section 2.4(b) in respect of the Non-Assignable Asset that is the subject of such failure to perform unless and until such situation is remedied, or (ii) perform at Purchaser's sole cost and expense, in which case, Purchaser shall reimburse Sellers' costs and expenses of such performance immediately upon receipt of an invoice therefor. To the extent that Purchaser is provided the benefits of any Non-Assignable Asset pursuant to Section 2.4(b), Purchaser shall indemnify, defend and hold Sellers harmless from and against any and all Liabilities relating to such Non-Assignable Asset and arising from and after the Closing Date (other than such Damages that have resulted from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of Sellers).

(d) For the avoidance of doubt, the inability of any Contract, Transferred Equity Interest (or any other interest therein), Permit or other asset, which by the terms of this Agreement is intended to be included in the Purchased Assets to be assigned or transferred to Purchaser at the Closing shall not (i) give rise to a basis for termination of this Agreement pursuant to **ARTICLE VIII** or (ii) give rise to any right to any adjustment to the Purchase Price.

## ARTICLE III CLOSING; PURCHASE PRICE

Section 3.1 Closing. The closing of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement (the "<u>Closing</u>") shall occur on the date that falls at least three (3) Business Days following the satisfaction and/or waiver of all conditions to the Closing set forth in **ARTICLE VII** (other than any of such conditions that by its nature is to be satisfied at the Closing, but subject to the satisfaction or waiver of such conditions), or on such other date as the Parties mutually agree, at the offices of Jenner & Block LLP, 919 Third Avenue, New York City, New York 10022-3908, or at such other place or such other date as the Parties may agree in

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writing. The date on which the Closing actually occurs shall be referred to as the "<u>Closing</u> <u>Date</u>," and except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Closing shall for all purposes be deemed effective as of 9:00 a.m., New York City time, on the Closing Date.

Section 3.2 Purchase Price.

(a) The purchase price (the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") shall be equal to the sum of:

(i) a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid in an amount equal to: (A) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing pursuant to the UST Credit Facilities, and (B) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing under the DIP Facility, <u>less</u> \$8,022,488,605 of Indebtedness under the DIP Facility (such amount, the "<u>UST</u> <u>Credit Bid Amount</u>");

(ii) the UST Warrant (which the Parties agree has a value of no less than \$1,000);

(iii) the valid issuance by Purchaser to Parent of (A) 50,000,000 shares of Common Stock (collectively, the "<u>Parent Shares</u>") and (B) the Parent Warrants; and

(iv) the assumption by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries of the Assumed Liabilities.

(b) On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, at the Closing, Purchaser shall (i) offset, pursuant to Section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, the UST Credit Bid Amount against Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries owed to Purchaser as of the Closing under the UST Credit Facilities and the DIP Facility; (ii) transfer to Parent, in accordance with the instructions provided by Parent to Purchaser prior to the Closing, the UST Warrant; and (iii) issue to Parent, in accordance with the instructions provided by Parent Shares and the Parent Warrants.

(c)

(i) Sellers may, at any time, seek an Order of the Bankruptcy Court (the "<u>Claims Estimate Order</u>"), which Order may be the Order confirming Sellers' Chapter 11 plan, estimating the aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates. If in the Claims Estimate Order, the Bankruptcy Court makes a finding that the estimated aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates exceed \$35,000,000,000, then Purchaser will, within five (5) days of entry of the Claims Estimate Order, issue 10,000,000 additional shares of Common Stock (the "<u>Adjustment Shares</u>") to Parent, as an adjustment to the Purchase Price.

(ii) The number of Adjustment Shares shall be adjusted to take into account any stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization,

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merger, consolidation, reorganization or similar transaction with respect to the Common Stock, effected from and after the Closing and before issuance of the Adjustment Shares.

(iii) At the Closing, Purchaser shall have authorized and, thereafter, shall reserve for issuance the Adjustment Shares that may be issued hereunder.

Allocation. Following the Closing, Purchaser shall prepare and Section 3.3 deliver to Sellers an allocation of the aggregate consideration among Sellers and, for any transactions contemplated by this Agreement that do not constitute an Agreed G Transaction pursuant to Section 6.16, Purchaser shall also prepare and deliver to the applicable Seller a proposed allocation of the Purchase Price and other consideration paid in exchange for the Purchased Assets, prepared in accordance with Section 1060, and if applicable, Section 338, of the Tax Code (the "Allocation"). The applicable Seller shall have thirty (30) days after the delivery of the Allocation to review and consent to the Allocation in writing, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed. If the applicable Seller consents to the Allocation, such Seller and Purchaser shall use such Allocation to prepare and file in a timely manner all appropriate Tax filings, including the preparation and filing of all applicable forms in accordance with applicable Law, including Forms 8594 and 8023, if applicable, with their respective Tax Returns for the taxable year that includes the Closing Date and shall take no position in any Tax Return that is inconsistent with such Allocation; provided, however, that nothing contained herein shall prevent the applicable Seller and Purchaser from settling any proposed deficiency or adjustment by any Governmental Authority based upon or arising out of such Allocation, and neither the applicable Seller nor Purchaser shall be required to litigate before any court, any proposed deficiency or adjustment by any Taxing Authority challenging such Allocation. If the applicable Seller does not consent to such Allocation, the applicable Seller shall notify Purchaser in writing of such disagreement within such thirty (30) day period, and thereafter, the applicable Seller shall attempt in good faith to promptly resolve any such disagreement. If the Parties cannot resolve a disagreement under this Section 3.3, such disagreement shall be resolved by an independent accounting firm chosen by Purchaser and reasonably acceptable to the applicable Seller, and such resolution shall be final and binding on the Parties. The fees and expenses of such accounting firm shall be borne equally by Purchaser, on the one hand, and the applicable Seller, on the other hand. The applicable Seller shall provide Purchaser, and Purchaser shall provide the applicable Seller, with a copy of any information described above required to be furnished to any Taxing Authority in connection with the transactions contemplated herein.

### Section 3.4 Prorations.

(a) The following prorations relating to the Purchased Assets shall be made:

(i) Except as provided in Section 2.3(a)(v) and Section 2.3(a)(vi), in the case of Taxes with respect to a Straddle Period, for purposes of Retained Liabilities, the portion of any such Tax that is allocable to Sellers with respect to any Purchased Asset shall be:

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(A) in the case of Taxes that are either (1) based upon or related to income or receipts, or (2) imposed in connection with any sale or other transfer or assignment of property (real or personal, tangible or intangible), other than Transfer Taxes, equal to the amount that would be payable if the taxable period ended on the Closing Date; and

(B) in the case of Taxes imposed on a periodic basis, or otherwise measured by the level of any item, deemed to be the amount of such Taxes for the entire Straddle Period (after giving effect to amounts which may be deducted from or offset against such Taxes) (or, in the case of such Taxes determined on an arrears basis, the amount of such Taxes for the immediately preceding period), multiplied by a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of days in the period ending on the Closing Date and the denominator of which is the number of days in the entire Straddle Period.

In the case of any Tax based upon or measured by capital (including net worth or long-term debt) or intangibles, any amount thereof required to be allocated under this clause (i) shall be computed by reference to the level of such items on the Closing Date. All determinations necessary to effect the foregoing allocations shall be made in a manner consistent with prior practice of the applicable Seller, Seller Group member, or Seller Subsidiary.

(ii) All charges for water, wastewater treatment, sewers, electricity, fuel, gas, telephone, garbage and other utilities relating to the Transferred Real Property shall be prorated as of the Closing Date, with Sellers being liable to the extent such items relate to the Pre-Closing Tax Period, and Purchaser being liable to the extent such items relate to the Post-Closing Tax Period.

(b) If any of the foregoing proration amounts cannot be determined as of the Closing Date due to final invoices not being issued as of the Closing Date, Purchasers and Sellers shall prorate such items as and when the actual invoices are issued to the appropriate Party. The Party owing amounts to the other by means of such prorations shall pay the same within thirty (30) days after delivery of a written request by the paying Party.

## Section 3.5 Post-Closing True-up of Certain Accounts.

(a) Sellers shall promptly reimburse Purchaser in U.S. Dollars for the aggregate amount of all checks, drafts and similar instruments of disbursement, including wire and similar transfers of funds, written or initiated by Sellers prior to the Closing in respect of any obligations that would have constituted Retained Liabilities at the Closing, and that clear or settle in accounts maintained by Purchaser (or its Affiliates) at or following the Closing.

(b) Purchaser shall promptly reimburse Sellers in U.S. Dollars for the aggregate amount of all checks, drafts and similar instruments of disbursement, including

wire and similar transfers of funds, written or initiated by Sellers following the Closing in respect of any obligations that would have constituted Assumed Liabilities at the Closing, and that clear or settle in accounts maintained by Sellers (or their Affiliates) at or following the Closing.

## ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as disclosed in the Parent SEC Documents or in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, each Seller represents and warrants severally, and not jointly, to Purchaser as follows:

Section 4.1 Organization and Good Standing. Each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary is duly organized and validly existing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of organization. Subject to the limitations imposed on Sellers as a result of having filed the Bankruptcy Cases, each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary has all requisite corporate, limited liability company, partnership or similar power, as the case may be, and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and assets and to carry on its business as now being conducted. Each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary is duly qualified or licensed or admitted to do business, and is in good standing in (where such concept is recognized under applicable Law), the jurisdictions in which the ownership of its property or the conduct of its business requires such qualification or license, in each case, except where the failure to be so qualified, licensed or in good standing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Sellers have made available to Purchaser prior to the execution of this Agreement true and complete copies of Sellers' Organizational Documents, in each case, as in effect on the date of this Agreement.

Section 4.2 Authorization; Enforceability. Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, each Seller has the requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority, as the case may be, to (a) execute and deliver this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party; (b) perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; and (c) consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party. Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, this Agreement constitutes, and each Ancillary Agreement, when duly executed and delivered by each Seller that is a party thereto, shall constitute, a valid and legally binding obligation of such Seller (assuming that this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements constitute valid and legally binding obligations of Purchaser), enforceable against such Seller in accordance with its respective terms and conditions, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

## Section 4.3 Noncontravention; Consents.

(a) Subject, in the case of clauses (i), (iii) and (iv), to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, the execution, delivery and performance by each Seller of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party, and (subject to the entry of the Sale Approval Order) the consummation by such Seller of the

transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, do not (i) violate any Law to which the Purchased Assets are subject; (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of any provision of the Organizational Documents of such Seller; (iii) result in a material breach or constitute a material default under, or create in any Person the right to terminate, cancel or accelerate any material obligation of such Seller pursuant to any material Purchased Contract (including any material License); or (iv) result in the creation or imposition of any Encumbrance, other than a Permitted Encumbrance, upon the Purchased Assets, except for any of the foregoing in the case of clauses (i), (iii) and (iv), that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, no consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit, qualification or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Person or Governmental Authority (other than the Bankruptcy Court) is required by any Seller for the consummation by each Seller of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or by the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party or the compliance by such Seller with any of the provisions hereof or thereof, except for (i) compliance with the applicable requirements of any Antitrust Laws and (ii) such consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit, qualification or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Person or Governmental Authority, the failure of which to be received or made would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.4 Subsidiaries. Section 4.4 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule identifies each Purchased Subsidiary and the jurisdiction of organization thereof. There are no Equity Interests in any Purchased Subsidiary issued, reserved for issuance or outstanding. All of the outstanding shares of capital stock, if applicable, of each Purchased Subsidiary have been duly authorized, validly issued, are fully paid and nonassessable and are owned, directly or indirectly, by Sellers, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances. Sellers, directly or indirectly, have good and valid title to the outstanding Equity Interests of the Purchased Subsidiaries and, upon delivery by Sellers to Purchaser of the outstanding Equity Interests of the Purchased Subsidiaries (either directly or indirectly) at the Closing, good and valid title to the outstanding Equity Interests of the Purchased Subsidiaries will pass to Purchaser (or, with respect to any Purchased Subsidiary that is not a direct Subsidiary of a Seller, the Purchased Subsidiary with regard to which it is a Subsidiary will continue to have good and valid title to such outstanding Equity Interests). None of the outstanding Equity Interests in the Purchased Subsidiaries has been conveyed in violation of, and none of the outstanding Equity Interests in the Purchased Subsidiaries has been issued in violation of (a) any preemptive or subscription rights, rights of first offer or first refusal or similar rights or (b) any voting trust, proxy or other Contract (including options or rights of first offer or first refusal) with respect to the voting, purchase, sale or other disposition thereof.

## Section 4.5 Reports and Financial Statements; Internal Controls.

(a) (i) Parent has filed or furnished, or will file or furnish, as applicable, all forms, documents, schedules and reports, together with any amendments required to be made with respect thereto, required to be filed or furnished with the SEC from April 1, 2007 until the Closing (the "<u>Parent SEC Documents</u>"), and (ii) as of their respective

filing dates, or, if amended, as of the date of the last such amendment, the Parent SEC Documents complied or will comply in all material respects with the requirements of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, as applicable, and none of the Parent SEC Documents contained or will contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted or will omit to state any material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, subject, in the case of Parent SEC Documents filed or furnished during the period beginning on the date of the Original Agreement and ending on the Closing Date, to any modification by Parent of its reporting obligations under Section 12 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases.

(b) (i) The consolidated financial statements of Parent included in the Parent SEC Documents (including all related notes and schedules, where applicable) fairly present or will fairly present in all material respects the consolidated financial position of Parent and its consolidated Subsidiaries, as at the respective dates thereof, and (ii) the consolidated results of their operations and their consolidated cash flows for the respective periods then ended (subject, in the case of the unaudited statements, to normal year-end audit adjustments and to any other adjustments described therein, including the notes thereto) in conformity with GAAP (except, in the case of the unaudited statements, as permitted by the SEC) applied on a consistent basis during the periods involved (except as may be indicated therein or in the notes thereto), subject, in the case of Parent SEC Documents filed or furnished during the period beginning on the date of the Original Agreement and ending on the Closing Date, to any modification by Parent of its reporting obligations under Section 12 or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases.

(c) Parent maintains a system of internal control over financial reporting designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for inclusion in the Parent SEC Documents in accordance with GAAP and maintains records that (i) in reasonable detail accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of Parent and its consolidated Subsidiaries, (ii) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with GAAP, and that receipts and expenditures are made only in accordance with appropriate authorizations and (iii) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of assets. There are no (A) material weaknesses in the design or operation of the internal controls of Parent or (B) to the Knowledge of Sellers, any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees of Parent or any Purchased Subsidiary who have a significant role in internal control.

Section 4.6 Absence of Certain Changes and Events. From January 1, 2009 through the date hereof, except as otherwise contemplated, required or permitted by this Agreement, there has not been:

(a) (i) any declaration, setting aside or payment of any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property or by allocation of additional Indebtedness to any Seller or any Key Subsidiary without receipt of fair value) with

respect to any Equity Interests in any Seller or any Key Subsidiary or any repurchase for value of any Equity Interests or rights of any Seller or any Key Subsidiary (except for dividends and distributions among its Subsidiaries) or (ii) any split, combination or reclassification of any Equity Interests in Sellers or any issuance or the authorization of any issuance of any other Equity Interests in respect of, in lieu of or in substitution for Equity Interests of Sellers;

other than as is required by the terms of the Parent Employee Benefit (b) Plans and Policies, the Settlement Agreement, the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement or consistent with the expiration of a Collective Bargaining Agreement or as may be required by applicable Law, in each case, as may be permitted by TARP or under any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Parent and Sponsor, any (i) grant to any Seller Key Personnel of any increase in compensation, except increases required under employment Contracts in effect as of January 1, 2009, or as a result of a promotion to a position of additional responsibility, (ii) grant to any Seller Key Personnel of any increase in retention, change in control, severance or termination compensation or benefits, except as required under any employment Contracts in effect as of January 1, 2009, (iii) other than in the Ordinary Course of Business, adoption, termination of, entry into or amendment or modification of, in a material manner, any Benefit Plan, (iv) adoption, termination of, entry into or amendment or modification of, in a material manner, any employment, retention, change in control, severance or termination Contract with any Seller Key Personnel or (v) entry into or amendment, modification or termination of any Collective Bargaining Agreement or other Contract with any Union of any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary;

(c) any material change in accounting methods, principles or practices by any Seller, Purchased Subsidiary or Seller Group member or any material joint venture to which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is a party, in each case, materially affecting the consolidated assets or Liabilities of Parent, except to the extent required by a change in GAAP or applicable Law, including Tax Laws;

(d) any sale, transfer, pledge or other disposition by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary of any portion of its assets or properties not in the Ordinary Course of Business and with a sale price or fair value in excess of \$100,000,000;

(e) aggregate capital expenditures by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary in excess of \$100,000,000 in a single project or group of related projects or capital expenditures in excess of \$100,000,000 in the aggregate;

(f) any acquisition by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary (including by merger, consolidation, combination or acquisition of any Equity Interests or assets) of any Person or business or division thereof (other than acquisitions of portfolio assets and acquisitions in the Ordinary Course of Business) in a transaction (or series of related transactions) where the aggregate consideration paid or received (including non-cash equity consideration) exceeded \$100,000,000;

(g) any discharge or satisfaction of any Indebtedness by any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary in excess of \$100,000,000, other than the discharge or satisfaction of any Indebtedness when due in accordance with its terms;

(h) any alteration, whether through a complete or partial liquidation, dissolution, merger, consolidation, restructuring, reorganization or in any other manner, the legal structure or ownership of any Seller or any Key Subsidiary or any material joint venture to which any Seller or any Key Subsidiary is a party, or the adoption or alteration of a plan with respect to any of the foregoing;

(i) any amendment or modification to the material adverse detriment of any Key Subsidiary of any material Affiliate Contract or Seller Material Contract, or termination of any material Affiliate Contract or Seller Material Contract to the material adverse detriment of any Seller or any Key Subsidiary, in each case, other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(j) any event, development or circumstance involving, or any change in the financial condition, properties, assets, liabilities, business, or results of operations of Sellers or any circumstance, occurrence or development (including any adverse change with respect to any circumstance, occurrence or development existing on or prior to the end of the most recent fiscal year end) of Sellers that has had or would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect; or

(k) any commitment by any Seller, any Key Subsidiary (in the case of clauses (a), (g) and (h) above) or any Purchased Subsidiary (in the case of clauses (b) through (f) and clauses (h) and (j) above) to do any of the foregoing.

## Section 4.7 Title to and Sufficiency of Assets.

(a) Subject to the entry and effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order, at the Closing, Sellers will obtain good and marketable title to, or a valid and enforceable right by Contract to use, the Purchased Assets, which shall be transferred to Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances.

(b) The tangible Purchased Assets of each Seller are in normal operating condition and repair, subject to ordinary wear and tear, and sufficient for the operation of such Seller's business as currently conducted, except where such instances of noncompliance with the foregoing would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

# Section 4.8 Compliance with Laws; Permits.

(a) Each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary is in compliance with and is not in default under or in violation of any applicable Law, except where such non-compliance, default or violation would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Notwithstanding anything contained in this **Section 4.8(a)**, no representation or warranty shall be deemed to be made in this **Section 4.8(a)** in respect of the matters referenced in Section 4.5, Section 4.9, Section 4.10, Section 4.11 or Section 4.13, each of which matters is addressed by such other Sections of this Agreement.

(b) (i) Each Seller has all Permits necessary for such Seller to own, lease and operate the Purchased Assets and (ii) each Purchased Subsidiary has all Permits necessary for such entity to own, lease and operate its properties and assets, except in each case, where the failure to possess such Permits would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. All such Permits are in full force and effect, except where the failure to be in full force and effect would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Environmental Laws. Except as would not reasonably be expected Section 4.9 to have a Material Adverse Effect, to the Knowledge of Sellers, (a) each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary has conducted its business on the Transferred Real Property in compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws; (b) none of the Transferred Real Property currently contains any Hazardous Materials, which could reasonably be expected to give rise to an undisclosed Liability under applicable Environmental Laws; (c) as of the date of this Agreement, no Seller or Purchased Subsidiary has received any currently unresolved written notices, demand letters or written requests for information from any Governmental Authority indicating that such entity may be in violation of any Environmental Law in connection with the ownership or operation of the Transferred Real Property; and (d) since April 1, 2007, no Hazardous Materials have been transported in violation of any applicable Environmental Law, or in a manner reasonably foreseen to give rise to any Liability under any Environmental Law, from any Transferred Real Property as a result of any activity of any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary. Except as provided in Section 4.8(b) with respect to Permits under Environmental Laws, Purchaser agrees and understands that no representation or warranty is made in respect of environmental matters in any Section of this Agreement other than this Section 4.9.

## Section 4.10 Employee Benefit Plans.

(a) Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth all material Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies and Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plans (collectively, the "<u>Benefit Plans</u>"). Sellers have made available, upon reasonable request, to Purchaser true, complete and correct copies of (i) each material Benefit Plan, (ii) the three (3) most recent annual reports on Form 5500 (including all schedules, auditor's reports and attachments thereto) filed with the IRS with respect to each such Benefit Plan (if any such report was required by applicable Law), (iii) the most recent actuarial or other financial report prepared with respect to such Benefit Plan, if any, (iv) each trust agreement and insurance or annuity Contract or other funding or financing arrangement relating to such Benefit Plan and (v) to the extent not subject to confidentiality restrictions, any material written communications received by Sellers or any Subsidiaries of Sellers from any Governmental Authority relating to a Benefit Plan, including any communication from the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation (the "<u>PBGC</u>"), in respect of any Benefit Plan, subject to Title IV of ERISA.

(b) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (i) each Benefit Plan has been administered in accordance with its terms, (ii) each

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of Sellers, any of their Subsidiaries and each Benefit Plan is in compliance with the applicable provisions of ERISA, the Tax Code, all other applicable Laws (including Section 409A of the Tax Code, TARP or under any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Sellers with Sponsor) and the terms of all applicable Collective Bargaining Agreements, (iii) there are no (A) investigations by any Governmental Authority, (B) termination proceedings or other Claims (except routine Claims for benefits payable under any Benefit Plans) or (C) Claims, in each case, against or involving any Benefit Plan or asserting any rights to or Claims for benefits under any Benefit Plan that could give rise to any Liability, and there are not any facts or circumstances that could give rise to any Liability in the event of any such Claim and (iv) each Benefit Plan that is intended to be a Tax-qualified plan under Section 401(a) of the Tax Code (or similar provisions for Tax-registered or Tax-favored plans of non-United States jurisdictions) is qualified and any trust established in connection with any Benefit Plan that is intended to be exempt from taxation under Section 501(a) of the Tax Code (or similar provisions for Tax-registered or Tax-favored plans of non-United States jurisdictions) is exempt from United States federal income Taxes under Section 501(a) of the Tax Code (or similar provisions under non-United States law). To the Knowledge of Sellers, no circumstance and no fact or event exists that would be reasonably expected to adversely affect the qualified status of any Benefit Plan.

(c) None of the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies or any material Purchased Subsidiaries Employee Benefit Plans that is an "employee pension benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(2) of ERISA) has failed to satisfy, as applicable, the minimum funding standards (as described in Section 302 of ERISA or Section 412 of the Tax Code), whether or not waived, nor has any waiver of the minimum funding standards of Section 302 of ERISA or Section 412 of the Tax Code been requested.

(d) No Seller or any ERISA Affiliate of any Seller (including any Purchased Subsidiary) (i) has any actual or contingent Liability (A) under any employee benefit plan subject to Title IV of ERISA other than the Benefit Plans (except for contributions not yet due), (B) to the PBGC (except for the payment of premiums not yet due), which Liability, in each case, has not been fully paid as of the date hereof, or, if applicable, which has not been accrued in accordance with GAAP or (C) under any "multiemployer plan" (as defined in Section 3(37) of ERISA), or (ii) will incur withdrawal Liability under Title IV of ERISA as a result of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, except for Liabilities with respect to any of the foregoing that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(e) Neither the execution of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby (alone or in conjunction with any other event, including termination of employment) will entitle any member of the board of directors of Parent or any Applicable Employee who is an officer or member of senior management of Parent to any increase in compensation or benefits, any grant of severance, retention, change in control or other similar compensation or benefits, any acceleration of the time of payment or vesting of any compensation or benefits (but not including, for this purpose, any retention, stay bonus or other incentive plan, program, arrangement that is a Retained Plan) or will require the securing or funding of any

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compensation or benefits or limit the right of Sellers, any Subsidiary of Sellers or Purchaser or any Affiliates of Purchaser to amend, modify or terminate any Benefit Plan. Any new grant of severance, retention, change in control or other similar compensation or benefits to any Applicable Employee, and any payout to any Transferred Employee under any such existing arrangements, that would otherwise occur as a result of the execution of this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement (alone or in conjunction with any other event, including termination of employment), has been waived by such Applicable Employee or otherwise cancelled.

(f) No amount or other entitlement currently in effect that could be received (whether in cash or property or the vesting of property) as a result of the actions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements (alone or in combination with any other event) by any Person who is a "disqualified individual" (as defined in Treasury Regulation Section 1.280G-1) (each, a "<u>Disqualified Individual</u>") with respect to Sellers would be an "excess parachute payment" (as defined in Section 280G(b)(1) of the Tax Code). No Disqualified Individual or Applicable Employee is entitled to receive any additional payment (e.g., any Tax gross-up or any other payment) from Sellers or any Subsidiaries of Sellers in the event that the additional or excise Tax required by Section 409A or 4999 of the Tax Code, respectively is imposed on such individual.

(g) All individuals covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement are either Applicable Employees or employed by a Purchased Subsidiary.

(h) Section 4.10(h) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule lists all non-standard individual agreements currently in effect providing for compensation, benefits and perquisites for any current and former officer, director or top twenty-five (25) most highly paid employee of Parent and any other such material non-standard individual agreements with non-top twenty-five (25) employees.

Section 4.11 Labor Matters. There is not any labor strike, work stoppage or lockout pending, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing against or affecting any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (a) none of Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary is engaged in any material unfair labor practice; (b) there are not any unfair labor practice charges or complaints against Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary pending, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, before the National Labor Relations Board; (c) there are not any pending or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing, union grievances against Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary as to which there is a reasonable possibility of adverse determination; (d) there are not any pending, or, to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing, charges against Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary or any of their current or former employees before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission or any state or local agency responsible for the prevention of unlawful employment practices; (e) no union organizational campaign is in progress with respect to the employees of any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary and no question concerning representation of such employees exists; and (f) no Seller nor any Purchased Subsidiary has received written communication during the past five (5) years of the intent of any Governmental Authority responsible for the enforcement of labor or employment Laws to conduct an investigation of or

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affecting Sellers or any Subsidiary of Sellers and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, no such investigation is in progress.

Section 4.12 Investigations; Litigation. (a) To the Knowledge of Sellers, there is no investigation or review pending by any Governmental Authority with respect to any Seller that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, and (b) there are no actions, suits, inquiries or proceedings, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, investigations, pending against any Seller, or relating to any of the Transferred Real Property, at law or in equity before, and there are no Orders of or before, any Governmental Authority, in each case that would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

Section 4.13 Tax Matters. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, (a) all Tax Returns required to have been filed by, with respect to or on behalf of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary have been timely filed (taking into account any extension of time to file granted or obtained) and are correct and complete in all respects, (b) all amounts of Tax required to be paid with respect to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary (whether or not shown on any Tax Return) have been timely paid or are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and have been reserved for in accordance with GAAP in Parent's consolidated audited financial statements, (c) no deficiency for any amount of Tax has been asserted or assessed by a Taxing Authority in writing relating to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary that has not been satisfied by payment, settled or withdrawn, (d) there are no audits, Claims or controversies currently asserted or threatened in writing with respect to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary in respect of any amount of Tax or failure to file any Tax Return, (e) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary has agreed to any extension or waiver of the statute of limitations applicable to any Tax Return, or agreed to any extension of time with respect to a Tax assessment or deficiency, which period (after giving effect to such extension or waiver) has not yet expired, (f) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary is a party to or the subject of any ruling requests, private letter rulings, closing agreements, settlement agreements or similar agreements with any Taxing Authority for any periods for which the statute of limitations has not yet run, (g) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary (A) has any Liability for Taxes of any Person (other than any Purchased Subsidiary), including as a transferee or successor, or pursuant to any contractual obligation (other than pursuant to any commercial Contract not primarily related to Tax), or (B) is a party to or bound by any Tax sharing agreement, Tax allocation agreement or Tax indemnity agreement (in every case, other than this Agreement and those Tax sharing, Tax allocation or Tax indemnity agreements that will be terminated prior to Closing and with respect to which no post-Closing Liabilities will exist), (h) each of the Purchased Subsidiaries and each Seller and Seller Group member has withheld or collected all Taxes required to have been withheld or collected and, to the extent required, has paid such Taxes to the proper Taxing Authority, (i) no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary will be required to make any adjustments in taxable income for any Tax period (or portion thereof) ending after the Closing Date, including pursuant to Section 481(a) or 263A of the Tax Code or any similar provision of foreign, provincial, state, local or other Law as a result of transactions or events occurring, or accounting methods employed, prior to the Closing, nor is any application pending with any Taxing Authority requesting permission for any changes in accounting methods that relate to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary, (i) the Assumed Liabilities were incurred through the

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Ordinary Course of Business, (k) there are no Tax Encumbrances on any of the Purchased Assets or the assets of any Purchased Subsidiary (other than Permitted Encumbrances for which appropriate reserves have been established (and to the extent that such liens relate to a period ending on or before December 31, 2008, the amount of any such Liability is accrued or reserved for as a Liability in accordance with GAAP in the audited consolidated balance sheet of Sellers at December 31, 2008)), (l) none of the Purchased Subsidiaries or Sellers has been a "distributing corporation" or a "controlled corporation" in a distribution intended to qualify under Section 355(a) of the Tax Code, (m) none of the Purchased Subsidiaries, Sellers or Seller Group members has participated in any "listed transactions" or "reportable transactions" within the meaning of Treasury Regulations Section 1.6011-4, (n) there are no unpaid Taxes with respect to any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Asset for which Purchaser will have liability as a transferee or successor and (o) the most recent financial statements contained in the Parent SEC Documents reflect an adequate reserve for all Taxes payable by Sellers, the Purchased Subsidiaries and the members of all Seller Groups for all taxable periods and portions thereof through the date of such financial statements.

### Section 4.14 Intellectual Property and IT Systems.

(a) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) each Seller and each Purchased Subsidiary owns, controls, or otherwise possesses sufficient rights to use, free and clear of all Encumbrances (other than Permitted Encumbrances) all Intellectual Property necessary for the conduct of its business in substantially the same manner as conducted as of the date hereof; and (ii) all Intellectual Property owned by Sellers that is necessary for the conduct of the business of Sellers and each Purchased Subsidiary as conducted as of the date hereof is subsisting and in full force and effect, has not been adjudged invalid or unenforceable, has not been abandoned or allowed to lapse, in whole or in part, and to the Knowledge of Sellers, is valid and enforceable.

(b) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, all necessary registration, maintenance and renewal fees in connection with the Intellectual Property owned by Sellers have been paid and all necessary documents and certificates in connection with such Intellectual Property have been filed with the relevant patent, copyright, trademark or other authorities in the United States or applicable foreign jurisdictions, as the case may be, for the purposes of prosecuting, maintaining or renewing such Intellectual Property.

(c) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no Intellectual Property owned by Sellers is the subject of any licensing or franchising Contract that prohibits or materially restricts the conduct of business as presently conducted by any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary or the transfer of such Intellectual Property.

(d) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) the Intellectual Property or the conduct of Sellers' and the Purchased Subsidiaries' businesses does not infringe, misappropriate, dilute, or otherwise violate or conflict with the trademarks, patents, copyrights, inventions, trade secrets, proprietary

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information and technology, know-how, formulae, rights of publicity or any other intellectual property rights of any Person; (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, no other Person is now infringing or in conflict with any Intellectual Property owned by Sellers or Sellers' rights thereunder; and (iii) no Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary has received any written notice that it is violating or has violated the trademarks, patents, copyrights, inventions, trade secrets, proprietary information and technology, know-how, formulae, rights of publicity or any other intellectual property rights of any third party.

(e) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no holding, decision or judgment has been rendered by any Governmental Authority against any Seller, which would limit, cancel or invalidate any Intellectual Property owned by Sellers.

(f) No action or proceeding is pending, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened, on the date hereof that (i) seeks to limit, cancel or invalidate any Intellectual Property owned by Sellers or such Sellers' ownership interest therein; and (ii) if adversely determined, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(g) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, Sellers and the Purchased Subsidiaries have taken reasonable actions to (i) maintain, enforce and police their Intellectual Property; and (ii) protect their material Software, websites and other systems (and the information therein) from unauthorized access or use.

(h) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) each Seller and Purchased Subsidiary has taken reasonable steps to protect its rights in, and confidentiality of, all the Trade Secrets, and any other confidential information owned by such Seller or Purchased Subsidiary; and (ii) to the Knowledge of Sellers, such Trade Secrets have not been disclosed by Sellers to any Person except pursuant to a valid and appropriate non-disclosure, license or any other appropriate Contract that has not been breached.

(i) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, there has not been any malfunction with respect to any of the Software, electronic data processing, data communication lines, telecommunication lines, firmware, hardware, Internet websites or other information technology equipment of any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary since April 1, 2007, which has not been remedied or replaced in all respects.

(j) Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect: (i) the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement will not cause to be provided or licensed to any third Person, or give rise to any rights of any third Person with respect to, any source code that is part of the Software owned by Sellers; and (ii) Sellers have implemented reasonable disaster recovery and back-up plans with respect to the Software.

Section 4.15 Real Property. Each Seller owns and has valid title to the Transferred Real Property that is Owned Real Property owned by it and has valid leasehold or

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subleasehold interests, as the case may be, in all of the Transferred Real Property that is Leased Real Property leased or subleased by it, in each case, free and clear of all Encumbrances, other than Permitted Encumbrances. Each of Sellers and the Purchased Subsidiaries has complied with the terms of each lease, sublease, license or other Contract relating to the Transferred Real Property to which it is a party, except any failure to comply that would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

### Section 4.16 Material Contracts.

Except for this Agreement, the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and (a) Policies, except as filed with, or disclosed or incorporated in, the Parent SEC Documents or except as set forth on Section 4.16 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, as of the date hereof, no Seller is a party to or bound by (i) any "material contract" (as such term is defined in Item 601(b)(10) of Regulation S-K of the SEC); (ii) any non-compete or exclusivity agreement that materially restricts the operation of Sellers' core business; (iii) any asset purchase agreement, stock purchase agreement or other agreement entered into within the past six years governing a material joint venture or the acquisition or disposition of assets or other property where the consideration paid or received for such assets or other property exceeded \$500,000,000 (whether in cash, stock or otherwise); (iv) any agreement or series of related agreements with any supplier of Sellers who directly support the production of vehicles, which provided collectively for payments by Sellers to such supplier in excess of \$250,000,000 during the 12-month period ended December 31, 2008; (v) any agreement or series of related agreements with any supplier of Sellers who does not directly support the production of vehicles, which, provided collectively for payments by Sellers to such supplier in excess of \$100,000,000 during the 12-month period ended April 30, 2009; (vi) any Contract relating to the lease or purchase of aircraft; (vii) any settlement agreement where a Seller has paid or may be required to pay an amount in excess of \$100,000,000 to settle the Claims covered by such settlement agreement; (viii) any material Contract that will, following the Closing, as a result of transactions contemplated hereby, be between or among a Seller or any Retained Subsidiary, on the one hand, and Purchaser or any Purchased Subsidiary, on the other hand (other than the Ancillary Agreements); and (ix) agreements entered into in connection with a material joint venture (all Contracts of the type described in this Section 4.16(a) being referred to herein as "Seller Material Contracts").

(b) No Seller is in breach of or default under, or has received any written notice alleging any breach of or default under, the terms of any Seller Material Contract or material License, where such breach or default would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of Sellers, no other party to any Seller Material Contract or material License is in breach of or default under the terms of any Seller Material Contract or material License, where such breach or default would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, each Seller Material Contract or material License is a valid, binding and enforceable obligation of such Seller that is party thereto and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, of each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

Section 4.17 Dealer Sales and Service Agreements for Continuing Brands. Parent is not in breach of or default under the terms of any United States dealer sales and service Contract for Continuing Brands other than any Excluded Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement (each, a "Dealer Agreement"), where such breach or default would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. To the Knowledge of Sellers, no other party to any Dealer Agreement is in breach of or default under the terms of such Dealer Agreement, where such breach or default would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect. Except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, each Dealer Agreement is a valid and binding obligation of Parent and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, of each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

## Section 4.18 Sellers' Products.

(a) To the Knowledge of Sellers, since April 1, 2007, neither Sellers nor any Purchased Subsidiary has conducted or decided to conduct any material recall or other field action concerning any product developed, designed, manufactured, sold, provided or placed in the stream of commerce by or on behalf of any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary.

(b) As of the date hereof, there are no material pending actions for negligence, manufacturing negligence or improper workmanship, or material pending actions, in whole or in part, premised upon product liability, against or otherwise naming as a party any Seller, Purchased Subsidiary or any predecessor-in-interest of any of the foregoing Persons, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, threatened in writing or of which Seller has received written notice that involve a product liability Claim resulting from the ownership, possession or use of any product manufactured, sold or delivered by any Seller, any Purchased Subsidiary or any predecessor-in-interest of any of the foregoing Persons, which would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.

(c) To the Knowledge of Sellers and except as would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect, no supplier to any Seller has threatened in writing to cease the supply of products or services that could impair future production at a major production facility of such Seller.

Section 4.19 Certain Business Practices. Each of Sellers and the Purchased Subsidiaries is in compliance with the legal requirements under the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, as amended (the "<u>FCPA</u>"), except for such failures, whether individually or in the aggregate, to maintain books and records or internal controls as required thereunder that are not

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material. To the Knowledge of Sellers, since April 1, 2007, no Seller or Purchased Subsidiary, nor any director, officer, employee or agent thereof, acting on its, his or her own behalf or on behalf of any of the foregoing Persons, has offered, promised, authorized the payment of, or paid, any money, or the transfer of anything of value, directly or indirectly, to or for the benefit of: (a) any employee, official, agent or other representative of any foreign Governmental Authority, or of any public international organization; or (b) any foreign political party or official thereof or candidate for foreign political office for the purpose of influencing any act or decision of such recipient in the recipient's official capacity, or inducing such recipient to use his, her or its influence to affect any act or decision of such foreign government or department, agency or instrumentality thereof or of such public international organization, or securing any improper advantage, in the case of both clause (a) and (b) above, in order to assist any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary to obtain or retain business for, or to direct business to, any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary and under circumstances that would subject any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary to material Liability under any applicable Laws of the United States (including the FCPA) or of any foreign jurisdiction where any Seller or any Purchased Subsidiary does business relating to corruption, bribery, ethical business conduct, money laundering, political contributions, gifts and gratuities, or lawful expenses.

*Section 4.20 Brokers and Other Advisors.* No broker, investment banker, financial advisor, counsel (other than legal counsel) or other Person is entitled to any broker's, finder's or financial advisor's fee or commission (collectively, "<u>Advisory Fees</u>") in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of Sellers or any Affiliate of any Seller.

## Section 4.21 Investment Representations.

(a) Each Seller is acquiring the Parent Shares for its own account solely for investment and not with a view to, or for sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the Securities Act or the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction. Each Seller agrees that it shall not transfer any of the Parent Shares, except in compliance with the Securities Act and with the applicable securities Laws of any other jurisdiction.

(b) Each Seller is an "Accredited Investor" as defined in Rule 501(a) promulgated under the Securities Act.

(c) Each Seller understands that the acquisition of the Parent Shares to be acquired by it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement involves substantial risk. Each Seller and its officers have experience as an investor in the Equity Interests of companies such as the ones being transferred pursuant to this Agreement and each Seller acknowledges that it can bear the economic risk of its investment and has such knowledge and experience in financial or business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Parent Shares to be acquired by it pursuant to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(d) Each Seller further understands and acknowledges that the Parent Shares have not been registered under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction and agrees that the Parent Shares may not be sold, transferred, offered for sale, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of without registration under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction, or, in each case, an applicable exemption therefrom.

(e) Each Seller acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Parent Shares has not been accomplished by the publication of any advertisement.

Section 4.22 No Other Representations or Warranties of Sellers. EXCEPT FOR THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE IV, NONE OF SELLERS AND ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF A SELLER MAKES ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO SELLERS, ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES, SELLERS' BUSINESS, THE PURCHASED ASSETS, THE ASSUMED LIABILITIES OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS CONTAINED IN THIS ARTICLE IV, SELLERS MAKE NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, WITH RESPECT TO (A) MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR USE, TITLE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS, (B) ANY INFORMATION, WRITTEN OR ORAL AND IN ANY FORM PROVIDED OR MADE AVAILABLE (WHETHER BEFORE OR, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUPPLEMENT, MODIFICATION OR UPDATE TO THE SELLERS' DISCLOSURE SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO SECTION 6.5, SECTION 6.6 OR SECTION 6.26, AFTER THE DATE HEREOF) TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING IN "DATA ROOMS" (INCLUDING ON-LINE DATA ROOMS), MANAGEMENT PRESENTATIONS, FUNCTIONAL "BREAK-OUT" DISCUSSIONS, RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF THEM OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN THEM OR ANY OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE ONE HAND, AND SELLERS, THEIR AFFILIATES, OR ANY OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE OTHER HAND, OR ON THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF ANY SUCH INFORMATION, OR ANY PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES, BUSINESS PLANS OR BUDGETS DELIVERED TO OR MADE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES OR (C) FUTURE REVENUES, EXPENSES OR EXPENDITURES, FUTURE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF), FUTURE CASH FLOWS OR FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF) OF SELLERS' BUSINESS OR THE PURCHASED ASSETS.

## ARTICLE V REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PURCHASER

Purchaser hereby represents and warrants to Sellers as follows:

Section 5.1 Organization and Good Standing. Purchaser is a legal entity duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of its jurisdiction of

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incorporation. Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its assets and to carry on its business as now being conducted.

## Section 5.2 Authorization; Enforceability.

(a) Purchaser has the requisite corporate power and authority to (i) execute and deliver this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party; (ii) perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder; and (iii) consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party.

(b) This Agreement constitutes, and each of the Ancillary Agreements to which Purchaser is a party, when duly executed and delivered by Purchaser, shall constitute, a valid and legally binding obligation of Purchaser (assuming that this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements constitute valid and legally binding obligations of each Seller that is a party thereto and the other applicable parties thereto), enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with its respective terms and conditions, except as may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium, fraudulent transfer and other similar Laws relating to or affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally from time to time in effect and by general equitable principles relating to enforceability, including principles of commercial reasonableness, good faith and fair dealing.

## Section 5.3 Noncontravention; Consents.

(a) The execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party, and (subject to the entry of the Sale Approval Order) the consummation by Purchaser of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, do not (i) violate any Law to which Purchaser or its assets is subject; (ii) conflict with or result in a breach of any provision of the Organizational Documents of Purchaser; or (iii) create a breach, default, termination, cancellation or acceleration of any obligation of Purchaser under any Contract to which Purchaser is a party or by which Purchaser or any of its assets or properties is bound or subject, except for any of the foregoing in the cases of clauses (i) and (iii), that would not reasonably be expected to have a material adverse effect on Purchaser's ability to consummate the transactions contemplated hereby or to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement or any Ancillary Agreement to which it is a party (a "<u>Purchaser Material Adverse Effect</u>").

(b) No consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Person or Governmental Authority is required by Purchaser for the consummation by Purchaser of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the Ancillary Agreements to which it is a party or the compliance by Purchaser with any of the provisions hereof or thereof, except for (i) compliance with the applicable requirements of any Antitrust Laws and (ii) such consent, waiver, approval, Order, Permit, qualification or authorization of, or declaration or filing with, or notification to, any Governmental Authority, the failure of which to be received

or made would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Purchaser Material Adverse Effect.

Section 5.4 Capitalization.

(a) As of the date hereof, Sponsor holds beneficially and of record 1,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of Purchaser, which constitutes all of the outstanding capital stock of Purchaser, and all such capital stock is validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable.

(b) Immediately following the Closing, the authorized capital stock of Purchaser (or, if a Holding Company Reorganization has occurred prior to the Closing, Holding Company) will consist of 2,500,000,000 shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("<u>Common Stock</u>"), and 1,000,000,000 shares of preferred stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("<u>Preferred Stock</u>"), of which 360,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock are designated as Series A Fixed Rate Cumulative Perpetual Preferred Stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "<u>Series A Preferred Stock</u>").

(c) Immediately following the Closing, (i) Canada or one or more of its Affiliates will hold beneficially and of record 58,368,644 shares of Common Stock and 16,101,695 shares of Series A Preferred Stock (collectively, the "<u>Canada Shares</u>"), (ii) Sponsor or one or more of its Affiliates collectively will hold beneficially and of record 304,131,356 shares of Common Stock and 83,898,305 shares of Series A Preferred Stock (collectively, the "<u>Sponsor Shares</u>") and (iii) the New VEBA will hold beneficially and of record 87,500,000 shares of Common Stock and 260,000,000 shares of Series A Preferred Stock (collectively, the "<u>VEBA Shares</u>"). Immediately following the Closing, there will be no other holders of Common Stock or Preferred Stock.

Except as provided under the Parent Warrants, VEBA Warrants, Equity (d) Incentive Plans or as disclosed on the Purchaser's Disclosure Schedule, there are and, immediately following the Closing, there will be no outstanding options, warrants, subscriptions, calls, convertible securities, phantom equity, equity appreciation or similar rights, or other rights or Contracts (contingent or otherwise) (including any right of conversion or exchange under any outstanding security, instrument or other Contract or any preemptive right) obligating Purchaser to deliver or sell, or cause to be issued, delivered or sold, any shares of its capital stock or other equity securities, instruments or rights that are, directly or indirectly, convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for any shares of its capital stock. There are no outstanding contractual obligations of Purchaser to repurchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any shares of its capital stock or to provide funds to, or make any material investment (in the form of a loan, capital contribution or otherwise) in, any other Person. There are no voting trusts, shareholder agreements, proxies or other Contracts or understandings in effect with respect to the voting or transfer of any of the shares of Common Stock to which Purchaser is a party or by which Purchaser is bound. Except as provided under the Equity Registration Rights Agreement or as disclosed in the Purchaser's Disclosure Schedule, Purchaser has not granted or agreed to grant any holders of shares of Common Stock or securities

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convertible into shares of Common Stock registration rights with respect to such shares under the Securities Act.

(e) Immediately following the Closing, (i) all of the Canada Shares, the Parent Shares and the Sponsor Shares will be duly and validly authorized and issued, fully paid and nonassessable, and will be issued in accordance with the registration or qualification provisions of the Securities Act or pursuant to valid exemptions therefrom and (ii) none of the Canada Shares, the Parent Shares or the Sponsor Shares will be issued in violation of any preemptive rights.

Section 5.5 Valid Issuance of Shares. The Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares and the Common Stock underlying the Parent Warrants, when issued, sold and delivered in accordance with the terms and for the consideration set forth in this Agreement and the related warrant agreement, as applicable, will be (a) validly issued, fully paid and nonassessable and (b) free of restrictions on transfer other than restrictions on transfer under applicable state and federal securities Laws and Encumbrances created by or imposed by Sellers. Assuming the accuracy of the representations of Sellers in **Section 4.21**, the Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares and Parent Warrants will be issued in compliance with all applicable federal and state securities Laws.

## Section 5.6 Investment Representations.

(a) Purchaser is acquiring the Transferred Equity Interests for its own account solely for investment and not with a view to, or for sale in connection with, any distribution thereof in violation of the Securities Act or the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction. Purchaser agrees that it shall not transfer any of the Transferred Equity Interests, except in compliance with the Securities Act and with the applicable securities Laws of any other jurisdiction.

(b) Purchaser is an "Accredited Investor" as defined in Rule 501(a) promulgated under the Securities Act.

(c) Purchaser understands that the acquisition of the Transferred Equity Interests to be acquired by it pursuant to the terms of this Agreement involves substantial risk. Purchaser and its officers have experience as an investor in Equity Interests of companies such as the ones being transferred pursuant to this Agreement and Purchaser acknowledges that it can bear the economic risk of its investment and has such knowledge and experience in financial or business matters that it is capable of evaluating the merits and risks of its investment in the Transferred Equity Interests to be acquired by it pursuant to the transactions contemplated hereby.

(d) Purchaser further understands and acknowledges that the Transferred Equity Interests have not been registered under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction and agrees that the Transferred Equity Interests may not be sold, transferred, offered for sale, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of without registration under the Securities Act or under the applicable securities Laws of any jurisdiction, or, in each case, an applicable exemption therefrom.

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(e) Purchaser acknowledges that the offer and sale of the Transferred Equity Interests has not been accomplished by the publication of any advertisement.

Section 5.7 Continuity of Business Enterprise. It is the present intention of Purchaser to directly, or indirectly through its Subsidiaries, continue at least one significant historic business line of each Seller, or use at least a significant portion of each Seller's historic business assets in a business, in each case, within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 1.368-1(d).

*Section 5.8 Integrated Transaction.* Sponsor has contributed, or will, prior to the Closing, contribute the UST Credit Facilities, a portion of the DIP Facility that is owed as of the Closing and the UST Warrant to Purchaser solely for the purposes of effectuating the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

No Other Representations or Warranties of Sellers. PURCHASER Section 5.9 HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT. EXCEPT FOR THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES CONTAINED IN ARTICLE IV, NONE OF SELLERS AND ANY PERSON ACTING ON BEHALF OF A SELLER MAKES ANY OTHER EXPRESS OR IMPLIED REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY WITH RESPECT TO SELLERS, ANY OF THEIR AFFILIATES, SELLERS' BUSINESS, THE PURCHASED ASSETS, THE ASSUMED LIABILITIES OR WITH RESPECT TO ANY OTHER INFORMATION PROVIDED TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES IN CONNECTION WITH THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED BY THIS AGREEMENT. WITHOUT LIMITING THE FOREGOING, EXCEPT AS SET FORTH IN THE REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS CONTAINED IN ARTICLE IV, PURCHASER FURTHER HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT SELLERS MAKE NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY, EXPRESS OR IMPLIED, AT LAW OR IN EQUITY, WITH RESPECT TO (A) MERCHANTABILITY, FITNESS FOR ANY PARTICULAR PURPOSE OR USE, TITLE OR NON-INFRINGEMENT OF THE PURCHASED ASSETS, (B) ANY INFORMATION, WRITTEN OR ORAL AND IN ANY FORM PROVIDED OR MADE AVAILABLE (WHETHER BEFORE OR, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY SUPPLEMENT, MODIFICATION OR UPDATE TO THE SELLERS' DISCLOSURE SCHEDULE PURSUANT TO SECTION 6.5, SECTION 6.6 OR SECTION 6.26, AFTER THE DATE HEREOF) TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING IN "DATA ROOMS" (INCLUDING ON-LINE DATA PRESENTATIONS, MANAGEMENT **FUNCTIONAL** "BREAK-OUT" ROOMS). DISCUSSIONS, RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS SUBMITTED ON BEHALF OF IT OR OTHER COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN IT OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE ONE HAND, AND SELLERS, THEIR AFFILIATES, OR ANY OF THEIR REPRESENTATIVES, ON THE OTHER HAND, OR ON THE ACCURACY OR COMPLETENESS OF ANY SUCH INFORMATION OR (C) ANY PROJECTIONS, ESTIMATES, BUSINESS PLANS OR BUDGETS DELIVERED TO OR MADE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASER OR ANY OF ITS AFFILIATES OR REPRESENTATIVES OR (D) FUTURE REVENUES, EXPENSES OR EXPENDITURES, FUTURE RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF), FUTURE CASH FLOWS OR FUTURE FINANCIAL CONDITION (OR ANY COMPONENT THEREOF) OF SELLERS' BUSINESS OR THE PURCHASED ASSETS.

### ARTICLE VI COVENANTS

#### Section 6.1 Access to Information.

Sellers agree that, until the earlier of the Executory Contract Designation (a) Deadline and the termination of this Agreement, Purchaser shall be entitled, through its Representatives or otherwise, to have reasonable access to the executive officers and Representatives of Sellers and the properties and other facilities, businesses, books, Contracts, personnel, records and operations (including the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities) of Sellers and their Subsidiaries, including access to systems, data, databases for benefit plan administration; provided however, that no such investigation or examination shall be permitted to the extent that it would, in Sellers' reasonable determination, require any Seller, any Subsidiary of any Seller or any of their respective Representatives to disclose information subject to attorney-client privilege or in conflict with any confidentiality agreement to which any Seller, any Subsidiary of any Seller or any of their respective Representatives are bound (in which case, to the extent requested by Purchaser, Sellers will use reasonable best efforts to seek an amendment or appropriate waiver, or necessary consents, as may be required to avoid such conflict, or restructure the form of access, so as to permit the access requested); provided further, that notwithstanding the notice provisions in Section 9.2 hereof, all such requests for access to the executive officers of Sellers shall be directed, prior to the Closing, to the Chief Financial Officer of Parent or his designee, and following the Closing, to the Chief Restructuring Officer of Parent or his or her designee. If any material is withheld pursuant to this Section 6.1(a), Seller shall inform Purchaser in writing as to the general nature of what is being withheld and the reason for withholding such material.

(b) Any investigation and examination contemplated by this Section 6.1 shall be subject to restrictions set forth in Section 6.24 and under applicable Law. Sellers shall cooperate, and shall cause their Subsidiaries and each of their respective Representatives to cooperate, with Purchaser and its Representatives in connection with such investigation and examination, and each of Purchaser and its Representatives shall use their reasonable best efforts to not materially interfere with the business of Sellers and their Subsidiaries. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, subject to Section 6.1(a), such investigation and examination shall include reasonable access to Sellers' executive officers (and employees of Sellers and their respective Subsidiaries identified by such executive officers), offices, properties and other facilities, and books, Contracts and records (including any document retention policies of Sellers) and access to accountants of Sellers and each of their respective Subsidiaries (provided that Sellers and each of their respective Subsidiaries, as applicable, shall have the right to be present at any meeting between any such accountant and Purchaser or Representative of Purchaser, whether such meeting is in person, telephonic or otherwise) and Sellers and each of their respective Subsidiaries and their Representatives shall prepare and furnish to Purchaser's Representatives such additional financial and operating data and other information as Purchaser may from time to time reasonably request, subject, in each case, to the confidentiality restrictions outlined in this Section 6.1. Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, Purchaser shall consult with Sellers prior to conducting any environmental investigations or examinations of any nature, including Phase I and Phase II site assessments and any environmental sampling in respect of the Transferred Real Property.

Section 6.2 Conduct of Business.

(a) Except as (i) otherwise expressly contemplated by or permitted under this Agreement, including the DIP Facility; (ii) disclosed on Section 6.2 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule; (iii) approved by the Bankruptcy Court (or any other court or other Governmental Authority in connection with any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by or in respect of any Subsidiary of Parent); or (iv) required by or resulting from any changes to applicable Laws, from and after the date of this Agreement and until the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement, Sellers shall and shall cause each Purchased Subsidiary to (A) conduct their operations in the Ordinary Course of Business, (B) not take any action inconsistent with this Agreement or with the consummation of the Closing, (C) use reasonable best efforts to preserve in the Ordinary Course of Business and in all material respects the present relationships of Sellers and each of their Subsidiaries with their respective customers, suppliers and others having significant business dealings with them, (D) not take any action to cause any of Sellers' representations and warranties set forth in ARTICLE IV to be untrue in any material respect as of any such date when such representation or warranty is made or deemed to be made and (E) not take any action that would reasonably be expected to materially prevent or delay the Closing.

(b) Subject to the exceptions contained in clauses (i) through (iv) of **Section 6.2(a)**, each Seller agrees that, from and after the date of this Agreement and until the earlier of the Closing and the termination of this Agreement, without the prior written consent of Purchaser (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed), such Seller shall not, and shall not permit any of the Key Subsidiaries (and in the case of clauses (i), (ix), (xiii) or (xvi), shall not permit any Purchased Subsidiary) to:

(i) take any action with respect to which any Seller has granted approval rights to Sponsor under any Contract, including under the UST Credit Facilities, without obtaining the prior approval of such action from Sponsor;

(ii) issue, sell, pledge, create an Encumbrance or otherwise dispose of or authorize the issuance, sale, pledge, Encumbrance or disposition of any Equity Interests of the Transferred Entities, or grant any options, warrants or other rights to purchase or obtain (including upon conversion, exchange or exercise) any such Equity Interests;

(iii) declare, set aside or pay any dividend or make any distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property or by allocation of additional Indebtedness to any Seller or any Key Subsidiary without receipt of fair value with respect to any Equity Interest of Seller or any Key Subsidiary), except for dividends and distributions among the Purchased Subsidiaries;

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(iv) directly or indirectly, purchase, redeem or otherwise acquire any Equity Interests or any rights to acquire any Equity Interests of any Seller or Key Subsidiary;

(v) materially change any of its financial accounting policies or procedures or any of its methods of reporting income, deductions or other material items for financial accounting purposes, except as permitted by GAAP, a SEC rule, regulation or policy or applicable Law, or as modified by Parent as a result of the filing of the Bankruptcy Cases;

(vi) adopt any amendments to its Organizational Documents or permit the adoption of any amendment of the Organizational Documents of any Key Subsidiary or effect a split, combination or reclassification or other adjustment of Equity Interests of any Purchased Subsidiary or a recapitalization thereof;

(vii) sell, pledge, lease, transfer, assign or dispose of any Purchased Asset or permit any Purchased Asset to become subject to any Encumbrance, other than a Permitted Encumbrance, in each case, except in the Ordinary Course of Business or pursuant to a Contract in existence as of the date hereof (or entered into in compliance with this **Section 6.2**);

(viii) (A) incur or assume any Indebtedness for borrowed money or issue any debt securities, except for Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred by Purchased Subsidiaries under existing lines of credit (including through the incurrence of Intercompany Obligations) to fund operations of Purchased Subsidiaries and Indebtedness for borrowed money incurred by Sellers under the DIP Facility or (B) assume, guarantee, endorse or otherwise become liable or responsible (whether directly, contingently or otherwise) for the obligations of any other Person, except for Indebtedness for borrowed money among any Seller and Subsidiary or among the Subsidiaries;

(ix) discharge or satisfy any Indebtedness in excess of \$100,000,000 other than the discharge or satisfaction of any Indebtedness when due in accordance with its originally scheduled terms;

(x) other than as is required by the terms of a Parent Employee Benefit Plan and Policy (in effect on the date hereof and set forth on Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule), any Assumed Plan (in effect on the date hereof) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement or consistent with the expiration of a Collective Bargaining Agreement, the Settlement Agreement, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement or as may be required by applicable Law or TARP or under any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Sellers and Sponsor, (A) increase the compensation or benefits of any Employee of Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary (except for increases in salary or wages in the Ordinary Course of Business with respect to Employees who are not current or former directors or officers of Sellers or Seller Key Personnel), (B) grant any severance or termination pay to any Employee of Sellers or any Purchased

Subsidiary except for severance or termination pay provided under any Parent Employee Benefit Plan and Policy or as the result of a settlement of any pending Claim or charge involving a Governmental Authority or litigation with respect to Employees who are not current or former officers or directors of Sellers or Seller Key Personnel), (C) establish, adopt, enter into, amend or terminate any Benefit Plan (including any change to any actuarial or other assumption used to calculate funding obligations with respect to any Benefit Plan or any change to the manner in which contributions to any Benefit Plan are made or the basis on which such contributions are determined), except where any such action would reduce Sellers' costs or Liabilities pursuant to such plan, (D) grant any awards under any Benefit Plan (including any equity or equity-based awards), (E) increase or promise to increase or provide for the funding under any Benefit Plan, (F) forgive any loans to Employees of Sellers or any Purchased Subsidiary (other than as part of a settlement of any pending Claim or charge involving a Governmental Authority or litigation in the Ordinary Course of Business or with respect to obligations of Employees whose employment is terminated by Sellers or a Purchased Subsidiary in the Ordinary Course of Business, other than Employees who are current or former officers or directors of Sellers or Seller Key Personnel or directors of Sellers or a Purchased Subsidiary) or (G) exercise any discretion to accelerate the time of payment or vesting of any compensation or benefits under any Benefit Plan;

(xi) modify, amend, terminate or waive any rights under any Affiliate Contract or Seller Material Contract (except for any dealer sales and service Contracts or as contemplated by **Section 6.7**) in any material respect in a manner that is adverse to any Seller that is a party thereto, other than in the Ordinary Course of Business;

(xii) enter into any Seller Material Contract other than as contemplated by **Section 6.7**;

(xiii) acquire (including by merger, consolidation, combination or acquisition of Equity Interests or assets) any Person or business or division thereof (other than acquisitions of portfolio assets and acquisitions in the Ordinary Course of Business) in a transaction (or series of related transactions) where the aggregate consideration paid or received (including non-cash equity consideration) exceeds \$100,000,000;

(xiv) alter, whether through a complete or partial liquidation, dissolution, merger, consolidation, restructuring, reorganization or in any other manner, the legal structure or ownership of any Key Subsidiary, or adopt or approve a plan with respect to any of the foregoing;

(xv) enter into any Contract that limits or otherwise restricts or that would reasonably be expected to, after the Closing, restrict or limit in any material respect (A) Purchaser or any of its Subsidiaries or any successor thereto or (B) any Affiliates of Purchaser or any successor thereto, in the case of each of

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clause (A) or (B), from engaging or competing in any line of business or in any geographic area;

(xvi) enter into any Contracts for capital expenditures, exceeding \$100,000,000 in the aggregate in connection with any single project or group of related projects;

- (xvii) open or reopen any major production facility; and
- (xviii) agree, in writing or otherwise, to take any of the foregoing actions.

Section 6.3 Notices and Consents.

(a) Sellers shall and shall cause each of their Subsidiaries to, and Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to, promptly give all notices to, obtain all material consents, approvals or authorizations from, and file all notifications and related materials with, any third parties (including any Governmental Authority) that may be or become necessary to be given or obtained by Sellers or their Affiliates, or Purchaser, respectively, in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

Each of Purchaser and Parent shall, to the extent permitted by Law, (b) promptly notify the other Party of any communication it or any of its Affiliates receives from any Governmental Authority relating to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and permit the other Party to review in advance any proposed substantive communication by such Party to any Governmental Authority. Neither Purchaser nor Parent shall agree to participate in any material meeting with any Governmental Authority in respect of any significant filings, investigation (including any settlement of the investigation), litigation or other inquiry unless it consults with the other Party in advance and, to the extent permitted by such Governmental Authority, gives the other Party the opportunity to attend and participate at such meeting; provided, however, in the event either Party is prohibited by applicable Law or such Governmental Authority from participating in or attending any such meeting, then the Party who participates in such meeting shall keep the other Party apprised with respect thereto to the extent permitted by Law. To the extent permitted by Law, Purchaser and Parent shall coordinate and cooperate fully with each other in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as the other Party may reasonably request in connection with the foregoing, including, to the extent reasonably practicable, providing to the other Party in advance of submission, drafts of all material filings, submissions, correspondences or other written communications, providing the other Party with an opportunity to comment on the drafts, and, where practicable, incorporating such comments, if any, into the final documents. To the extent permitted by applicable Law, Purchaser and Parent shall provide each other with copies of all material correspondences, filings or written communications between them or any of their Representatives, on the one hand, and any Governmental Authority or members of its staff, on the other hand, with respect to this Agreement or the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(c) None of Purchaser, Parent or their respective Affiliates shall be required to pay any fees or other payments to any Governmental Authorities in order to obtain any authorization, consent, Order or approval (other than normal filing fees and administrative fees that are imposed by Law on Purchaser), and in the event that any fees in addition to normal filing fees imposed by Law may be required to obtain any such authorization, consent, Order or approval, such fees shall be for the account of Purchaser.

(d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, no Seller shall be required to make any expenditure or incur any Liability in connection with the requirements set forth in this **Section 6.3**.

# Section 6.4 Sale Procedures; Bankruptcy Court Approval.

(a) This Agreement is subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court and the consideration by Sellers and the Bankruptcy Court of higher or better competing Bids with respect to an Alternative Transaction. Nothing contained herein shall be construed to prohibit Sellers and their respective Affiliates and Representatives from soliciting, considering, negotiating, agreeing to, or otherwise taking action in furtherance of, any Alternative Transaction but only to the extent that Sellers determine in good faith that such actions are permitted or required by the Sale Procedures Order.

(b) On the Petition Date, Sellers filed with the Bankruptcy Court the Bankruptcy Cases under the Bankruptcy Code and a motion (and related notices and proposed Orders) (the "Sale Procedures and Sale Motion"), seeking entry of (i) the sale procedures order, in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit H** (the "Sale Procedures Order"), and (ii) the sale approval order, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit I (the "Sale Approval Order"). The Sale Approval Order shall declare that if there is an Agreed G Transaction, (A) this Agreement constitutes a "plan" of Parent and Purchaser solely for purposes of Sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code and (B) the transactions with respect to Parent described herein, in combination with the subsequent liquidation of Sellers, are intended to constitute a reorganization of Parent pursuant to Section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Tax Code. To the extent reasonably practicable, Sellers shall consult with and provide Purchaser and the UAW a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on material motions, applications and supporting papers prepared by Sellers in connection with this Agreement prior to the filing or delivery thereof in the Bankruptcy Cases.

(c) Purchaser acknowledges that Sellers may receive bids ("<u>Bids</u>") from prospective purchasers (such prospective purchasers, the "<u>Bidders</u>") with respect to an Alternative Transaction, as provided in the Sale Procedures Order. All Bids (other than Bids submitted by Purchaser) shall be submitted with two copies of this Agreement marked to show changes requested by the Bidder.

(d) If Sellers receive any Bids, Sellers shall have the right to select, and seek final approval of the Bankruptcy Court for, the highest or otherwise best Bid or Bids from the Bidders (the "<u>Superior Bid</u>"), which will be determined in accordance with the Sale Procedure Order.

(e) Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain entry of the Sale Approval Order on the Bankruptcy Court's docket as soon as practicable, and in no event no later than July 10, 2009.

(f) Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to comply (or obtain an Order from the Bankruptcy Court waiving compliance) with all requirements under the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure in connection with obtaining approval of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including serving on all required Persons in the Bankruptcy Cases (including all holders of Encumbrances and parties to the Purchased Contracts), a notice of the Sale Procedures and Sale Motion, the Sale Hearing and the objection deadline in accordance with Rules 2002, 6004, 6006 and 9014 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (as modified by Orders of the Bankruptcy Court), the Sale Procedures Order or other Orders of the Bankruptcy Court, including General Order M-331 issued by the Bankruptcy Court, and any applicable local rules of the Bankruptcy Court.

(g) Sellers shall provide Purchaser with a reasonable opportunity to review and comment on all motions, applications and supporting papers prepared by Sellers in connection with this Agreement (including forms of Orders and of notices to interested parties) prior to the filing or delivery thereof in the Bankruptcy Cases. All motions, applications and supporting papers prepared by Sellers and relating to the approval of this Agreement (including forms of Orders and of notices to interested parties) to be filed or delivered on behalf of Sellers shall be reasonably acceptable in form and substance to Purchaser. Sellers shall provide written notice to Purchaser of all matters that are required to be served on Sellers' creditors pursuant to the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. In the event the Sale Procedures Order and the Sale Approval Order is appealed, Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to defend such appeal.

(h) Purchaser agrees, to the extent reasonably requested by Sellers, to cooperate with and assist Sellers in seeking entry of the Sale Procedures Order and the Sale Approval Order by the Bankruptcy Court, including attending all hearings on the Sale Procedures and Sale Motion.

Section 6.5 Supplements to Purchased Assets. Purchaser shall, from the date hereof until the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, have the right to designate in writing additional Personal Property it wishes to designate as Purchased Assets if such Personal Property is located at a parcel of leased real property where the underlying lease has been designated as a Rejectable Executory Contract pursuant to **Section 6.6** following the Closing.

# Section 6.6 Assumption or Rejection of Contracts.

(a) The Assumable Executory Contract Schedule sets forth a list of Executory Contracts entered into by Sellers that Sellers may assume and assign to Purchaser in accordance with this **Section 6.6(a)** (each, an "<u>Assumable Executory Contract</u>"). Any Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as an

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Assumable Executory Contract and deemed to be set forth on the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule. Purchaser may, until the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, designate in writing any additional Executory Contract it wishes to designate as an Assumable Executory Contract and include on the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule, or any Assumable Executory Contract it no longer wishes to designate as an Assumable Executory Contract and remove from the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule; provided, however, that (i) Purchaser may not designate as an Assumable Executory Contract any (A) Rejectable Executory Contract, unless Sellers have consented to such designation in writing or (B) Contract that has previously been rejected by Sellers pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and (ii) Purchaser may not remove from the Assumable Executory Contract Schedule (v) the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, (w) any Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, (x) any Contract that has been previously assumed by Sellers pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, (y) any Deferred Termination Agreement (or the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) or (z) any Participation Agreement (or the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement). Except as otherwise provided above, for each Assumable Executory Contract, Purchaser must determine, prior to the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, the date on which it seeks to have the assumption and assignment become effective, which date may be the Closing Date or a later date (but not an earlier date). The term "Executory Contract Designation Deadline" shall mean the date that is thirty (30) calendar days following the Closing Date, or if such date is not a Business Day, the next Business Day, or if mutually agreed upon by the Parties, any later date up to and including the Business Day immediately prior to the date of the confirmation hearing for Sellers' plan of liquidation or reorganization. For the avoidance of doubt, the Executory Contract Designation Deadline may be extended by mutual agreement of the Parties with respect to any single unassumed and unassigned Executory Contract, groups of unassumed and unassigned Executory Contracts or all of the unassumed and unassigned Executory Contracts.

(b) Sellers may, until the Closing, provide written notice (a "<u>Notice of Intent</u> to <u>Reject</u>") to Purchaser of Sellers' intent to designate any Executory Contract (that has not been designated as an Assumable Executory Contract) as a Rejectable Executory Contract (each a "<u>Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract</u>"). Following receipt of a Notice of Intent to Reject, Purchaser shall as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event later than fifteen (15) calendar days following receipt of a Notice of Intent to Reject (the "<u>Option Period</u>"), provide Sellers written notice of Purchaser's designation of one or more Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract. Each Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract that has not been designated by Purchaser as an Assumable Executory Contract during the applicable Option Period shall automatically, without further action by Sellers, be designated as a Rejectable Executory Contract. A "<u>Rejectable Executory Contract</u>" is an Executory Contract that Sellers may, but are not obligated to, reject pursuant Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code.

(c) Immediately following the Closing, each Executory Contract entered into by Sellers and then in existence that has not previously been designated as an Assumable

Executory Contract, a Rejectable Executory Contract or a Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract, and that has not otherwise been assumed or rejected by Sellers pursuant to Section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, shall be deemed to be an Executory Contract subject to subsequent designation by Purchaser as an Assumable Executory Contract or a Rejectable Executory Contract (each a "Deferred Executory Contract").

All Assumable Executory Contracts shall be assumed and assigned to (d) Purchaser on the date (the "Assumption Effective Date") that is the later of (i) the date designated by the Purchaser and (ii) the date following expiration of the objection deadline if no objection, other than to the Cure Amount, has been timely filed or the date of resolution of any objection unrelated to Cure Amount, as provided in the Sale Procedures Order; provided, however, that in the case of each (A) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, (2) Deferred Termination Agreement (and the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) designated as an Assumable Executory Contract and (3) Participation Agreement (and the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) designated as an Assumable Executory Contract, the Assumption Effective Date shall be the Closing Date and (B) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Assumption Effective Date shall be a date that is no later than the date set forth with respect to such Executory Contract on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. On the Assumption Effective Date for any Assumable Executory Contract, such Assumable Executory Contract shall be deemed to be a Purchased Contract hereunder. If it is determined under the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order that Sellers may not assume and assign to Purchaser any Assumable Executory Contract, such Executory Contract shall cease to be an Assumable Executory Contract and shall be an Excluded Contract and a Rejectable Executory Contract. Except as provided in Section 6.31, notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, any Executory Contract that has not been specifically designated as an Assumable Executory Contract as of the Executory Contract Designation Deadline applicable to such Executory Contract, including any Deferred Executory Contract, shall automatically be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract and an Excluded Contract hereunder. Sellers shall have the right, but not the obligation, to reject, at any time, any Rejectable Executory Contract; provided, however, that Sellers shall not reject any Contract that affects both Owned Real Property and Excluded Real Property (whether designated on **Exhibit F** or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule), including any such Executory Contract that involves the provision of water, water treatment, electric, fuel, gas, telephone and other utilities to any facilities located at the Excluded Real Property, whether designated on **Exhibit F** or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (the "Shared Executory Contracts"), without the prior written consent of Purchaser.

(e) From and after the Closing and during the applicable period specified below, Purchaser shall be obligated to pay or cause to be paid all amounts due in respect of Sellers' performance (i) under each Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract, during the pendency of the applicable Option Period under such Proposed Rejectable Executory Contract, (ii) under each Deferred Executory Contract, for so long as such Contract remains a Deferred Executory Contract, (iii) under each Assumable Executory Contract, as long as such Contract remains an Assumable Executory Contract and (iv) under each GM Assumed Contract, until the applicable Assumption Effective Date. At and after the Closing and until such time as any Shared Executory Contract is either (y) rejected by Sellers pursuant to the provision set forth in this **Section 6.6** or (z) assumed by Sellers and subsequently modified with Purchaser's consent so as to no longer be applicable to the affected Owned Real Property, Purchaser shall reimburse Sellers as and when requested by Sellers for Purchasers' and its Affiliates' allocable share of all costs and expenses incurred under such Shared Executory Contract.

(f) Sellers and Purchaser shall comply with the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order with respect to the assumption and assignment or rejection of any Executory Contract pursuant to, and in accordance with, this **Section 6.6**.

(g) No designation of any Executory Contract for assumption and assignment or rejection in accordance with this **Section 6.6** shall give rise to any right to any adjustment to the Purchase Price.

(h) Without limiting the foregoing, if, following the Executory Contract Designation Deadline, Sellers or Purchaser identify an Executory Contract that has not previously been identified as a Contract for assumption and assignment, and such Contract is important to Purchaser's ability to use or hold the Purchased Assets or operate its businesses in connection therewith, Sellers will assume and assign such Contract and assign it to Purchaser without any adjustment to the Purchase Price; <u>provided</u> that Purchaser consents and agrees at such time to (i) assume such Executory Contract and (ii) and discharge all Cure Amounts in respect hereof.

# Section 6.7 Deferred Termination Agreements; Participation Agreements.

Sellers shall, and shall cause their Affiliates to, use reasonable best efforts (a) to enter into short-term deferred voluntary termination agreements in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit J-1 (in respect of all Saturn Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements), Exhibit J-2 (in respect of all Hummer Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements) and Exhibit J-3 (in respect of all non-Saturn and non-Hummer Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements and all Excluded Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements) that will, when executed by the relevant dealer counterparty thereto, modify the respective Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements and selected Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements (collectively, the "Deferred Termination Agreements"). For the avoidance of doubt, (i) each Deferred Termination Agreement, and the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement modified thereby, will automatically be an Assumable Executory Contract hereunder upon valid execution of such Deferred Termination Agreement by the parties thereto and (ii) all Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreements that are not modified by a Deferred Termination Agreement, and all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements that are not modified by either a Deferred Termination Agreement or a Participation Agreement, will automatically be a Rejectable Executory Contract hereunder.

(b) Sellers shall, and shall cause their Affiliates to, use reasonable best efforts to enter into agreements, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit K** that will modify all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements (other than the Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements) (the "Participation Agreements"). For the avoidance of doubt, (i) all Participation Agreements, and the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements, will automatically be Assumable Executory Contracts hereunder upon valid execution of such Participation Agreement and (ii) all Continuing Brand Dealer Agreements that are proposed to be modified by a Participation Agreement and are not modified by a Participation Agreement will be offered Deferred Termination Agreements pursuant to **Section 6.7(a)**.

Section 6.8 [Reserved]

Section 6.9 Purchaser Assumed Debt; Wind Down Facility.

(a) Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to agree with Sponsor on the terms of a restructuring of the Purchaser Assumed Debt so as to be assumed by Purchaser immediately prior to the Closing. Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to enter into definitive financing agreements with respect to the Purchaser Assumed Debt so that such agreements are in effect as promptly as practicable but in any event no later than the Closing.

(b) Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to agree with Sponsor on the terms of a restructuring of \$950,000,000 of Indebtedness accrued under the DIP Facility (as restructured, the "<u>Wind Down Facility</u>") to provide for such Wind Down Facility to be non-recourse, to accrue payment-in-kind interest at LIBOR plus 300 basis points, to be secured by all assets of Sellers (other than the Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares, Parent Warrants and any securities received in respect thereof), and to be subject to mandatory repayment from the proceeds of asset sales (other than the sale of Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares, Parent Warrants and any securities received in respect thereof). Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to enter into definitive financing agreements with respect to the Wind Down Facility so that such agreements are in effect as promptly as practicable but in any event no later than the Closing.

Section 6.10 Litigation and Other Assistance. In the event and for so long as any Party is actively contesting or defending against any action, investigation, charge, Claim or demand by a third party in connection with any transaction contemplated by this Agreement, the other Parties shall reasonably cooperate with the contesting or defending Party and its counsel in such contest or defense, make available its personnel and provide such testimony and access to its books, records and other materials as shall be reasonably necessary in connection with the contest or defense, all at the sole cost and expense of the contesting or defending Party; provided, <u>however</u>, that no Party shall be required to provide the contesting or defending party with any access to its books, records or materials if such access would violate the attorney-client privilege or conflict with any confidentiality obligations to which the non-contesting or defending Party is subject. In addition, the Parties agree to cooperate in connection with the making or filing of claims, requests for information, document retrieval and other activities in connection with any

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and all Claims made under insurance policies specified on Section 2.2(b)(xiii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule to the extent any such Claim relates to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability. For the avoidance of doubt, this **Section 6.10** shall not apply to any action, investigation, charge, Claim or demand by any of Sellers or their Affiliates, on the one hand, or Purchaser or any of its Affiliates, on the other hand.

### Section 6.11 Further Assurances.

(a) Upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement, each of the Parties shall use their reasonable best efforts to take, or cause to be taken, all actions, and to do, or cause to be done, all actions necessary, proper or advisable to consummate and make effective as promptly as practicable, the transactions contemplated by this Agreement in accordance with the terms hereof and to bring about the satisfaction of all other conditions to the other Parties' obligations hereunder; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that nothing in this Agreement shall obligate Sellers or Purchaser, or any of their respective Affiliates, to waive or modify any of the terms and conditions of this Agreement or any documents contemplated hereby, except as expressly set forth herein. The Parties acknowledge that Sponsor's acquisition of interest is a sovereign act and that no filings should be made by Sponsor or Purchaser in non-United States jurisdictions.

(b) The Parties shall negotiate the forms, terms and conditions of the Ancillary Agreements, to the extent the forms thereof are not attached to this Agreement, on the basis of the respective term sheets attached to this Agreement, in good faith, with such Ancillary Agreements to set forth terms on an Arms-Length Basis and incorporate usual and customary provisions for similar agreements.

(c) Until the Closing, Sellers shall maintain a team of appropriate personnel (each such team, a "<u>Transition Team</u>") to assist Purchaser and its Representatives in connection with Purchaser's efforts to complete prior to the Closing the activities described below. Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to cause the Transition Team to (A) meet with Purchaser and its Representatives on a regular basis at such times as Purchaser may reasonably request and (B) take such action and provide such information, including background and summary information, as Purchaser and its Representatives may reasonably request in connection with the following activities:

(i) evaluation and identification of all Contracts that Purchaser may elect to designate as Purchased Contracts or Excluded Contracts, consistent with its rights under this Agreement;

(ii) evaluation and identification of all assets and entities that Purchaser may elect to designate as Purchased Assets or Excluded Assets, consistent with its rights under this Agreement;

(iii) maintaining and obtaining necessary governmental consents, permits, authorizations, licenses and financial assurance for operation of the business by Purchaser following the Closing;

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(iv) obtaining necessary third party consents for operation of the business by Purchaser following the Closing;

(v) implementing the optimal structure for Purchaser and its subsidiaries to acquire and hold the Purchased Assets and operate the business following the Closing;

(vi) implementing the assumption of all Assumed Plans and otherwise satisfying the obligations of Purchaser as provided in **Section 6.17** with respect to Employment Related Obligations; and

(vii) such other transition matters as Purchaser may reasonably determine are necessary for Purchaser to fulfill its obligations and exercise its rights under this Agreement.

### Section 6.12 Notifications.

(a) Sellers shall give written notice to Purchaser as soon as practicable upon becoming aware of any event, circumstance, condition, fact, effect or other matter that resulted in, or that would reasonably be likely to result in (i) any representation or warranty set forth in ARTICLE IV being or becoming untrue or inaccurate in any material respect as of any date on or after the date hereof (as if then made, except to the extent such representation or warranty is expressly made only as of a specific date, in which case, as of such date), (ii) the failure by Sellers to comply with or satisfy in any material respect any covenant, condition or agreement to be complied with or satisfied by Sellers under this Agreement or (iii) a condition to the Closing set forth in Section 7.1 or Section 7.2 becoming incapable of being satisfied; provided, however, that no such notification shall affect or cure a breach of any of Sellers' representations or warranties, a failure to perform any of the covenants or agreements of Sellers or a failure to have satisfied the conditions to the obligations of Sellers under this Agreement. Such notice shall be in form of a certificate signed by an executive officer of Parent setting forth the details of such event and the action which Parent proposes to take with respect thereto.

(b) Purchaser shall give written notice to Sellers as soon as practicable upon becoming aware of any event, circumstance, condition, fact, effect or other matter that resulted in, or that would reasonably be likely to result in (i) any representation or warranty set forth in **ARTICLE V** being or becoming untrue or inaccurate in any material respect with respect to Purchaser as of any date on or after the date hereof (as if then made, except to the extent such representation or warranty is expressly made only as of a specific date, in which case as of such date), (ii) the failure by Purchaser to comply with or satisfy in any material respect any covenant, condition or agreement to be complied with or satisfied by Purchaser under this Agreement or (iii) a condition to the Closing set forth in **Section 7.1** or **Section 7.3** becoming incapable of being satisfied; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that no such notification shall affect or cure a breach of any of Purchaser's representations or warranties, a failure to perform any of the covenants or agreements of Purchaser or a failure to have satisfied the conditions to the obligations of Purchaser under this Agreement. Such notice shall be in a form of a certificate signed by

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an executive officer of Purchaser setting forth the details of such event and the action which Purchaser proposes to take with respect thereto.

Section 6.13 Actions by Affiliates. Each of Purchaser and Sellers shall cause their respective controlled Affiliates, and shall use their reasonable best efforts to ensure that each of their respective other Affiliates (other than Sponsor in the case of Purchaser) takes all actions reasonably necessary to be taken by such Affiliate in order to fulfill the obligations of Purchaser or Sellers, as the case may be, under this Agreement.

Section 6.14 Compliance Remediation. Except with respect to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities, prior to the Closing, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to, and shall use reasonable best efforts to cause their Subsidiaries to use their reasonable best efforts to, cure in all material respects any instances of non-compliance with Laws or Orders, failures to possess or maintain Permits or defaults under Permits.

Section 6.15 Product Certification, Recall and Warranty Claims.

(a) From and after the Closing, Purchaser shall comply with the certification, reporting and recall requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act, the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act, the Clean Air Act, the California Health and Safety Code and similar Laws, in each case, to the extent applicable in respect of vehicles and vehicle parts manufactured or distributed by Seller.

(b) From and after the Closing, Purchaser shall be responsible for the administration, management and payment of all Liabilities arising under (i) express written warranties of Sellers that are specifically identified as warranties and delivered in connection with the sale of new, certified used or pre-owned vehicles or new or remanufactured motor vehicle parts and equipment (including service parts, accessories, engines and transmissions) manufactured or sold by Sellers or Purchaser prior to or after the Closing and (ii) Lemon Laws. In connection with the foregoing clause (ii), (A) Purchaser shall continue to address Lemon Law Claims using the same procedural mechanisms previously utilized by the applicable Sellers and (B) for avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume Liabilities arising under the law of implied warranty or other analogous provisions of state Law, other than Lemon Laws, that provide consumer remedies in addition to or different from those specified in Sellers' express warranties.

(c) For the avoidance of doubt, Liabilities of the Transferred Entities arising from or in connection with products manufactured or sold by the Transferred Entities remain the responsibility of the Transferred Entities and shall be neither Assumed Liabilities nor Retained Liabilities for the purposes of this Agreement.

# Section 6.16 Tax Matters; Cooperation.

(a) Prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall prepare and timely file (or cause to be prepared and timely filed) all Tax Returns required to be filed prior to such date (taking into account any extension of time to file granted or obtained) that relate to Sellers, the Purchased Subsidiaries and the Purchased Assets in a manner consistent with

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past practices (except as otherwise required by Law), and shall provide Purchaser prompt opportunity for review and comment and shall obtain Purchaser's written approval prior to filing any such Tax Returns. After the Closing Date, at Purchaser's election, Purchaser shall prepare, and the applicable Seller, Seller Subsidiary or Seller Group member shall timely file, any Tax Return relating to any Seller, Seller Subsidiary or Seller Group member for any Pre-Closing Tax Period or Straddle Period due after the Closing Date or other taxable period of any entity that includes the Closing Date, subject to the right of the applicable Seller to review any such material Tax Return. Purchaser shall prepare and file all other Tax Returns required to be filed after the Closing Date in respect of the Purchased Assets. Sellers shall prepare and file all other Tax Returns relating to the Post-Closing Tax Period of Sellers, subject to the prior review and approval of Purchaser, which approval may be withheld, conditioned or delayed with good reason. No Seller or Seller Group member shall be entitled to any payment or other consideration in addition to the Purchase Price with respect to the acquisition or use of any Tax items or attributes by Purchaser, any Purchased Subsidiary or Affiliates thereof. At Purchaser's request, any Seller or Seller Group member shall designate Purchaser or any of its Affiliates as a substitute agent for the Seller Group for Tax purposes. Purchaser shall be entitled to make all determinations, including the right to make or cause to be made any elections with respect to Taxes and Tax Returns of Sellers, Seller Subsidiaries, Seller Groups and Seller Group members with respect to Pre-Closing Tax Periods and Straddle Periods and with respect to the Tax consequences of the Relevant Transactions (including the treatment of such transactions as an Agreed G Transaction) and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including (i) the "date of distribution or transfer" for purposes of Section 381(b) of the Tax Code, if applicable; (ii) the relevant Tax periods and members of the Seller Group and the Purchaser and its Affiliates; (iii) whether the Purchaser and/or any of its Affiliates shall be treated as a continuation of Seller Group; and (iv) any other determinations required under Section 381 of the Tax Code. Purchaser shall have the sole right to represent the interests, as applicable, of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary in any Tax proceeding in connection with any Tax Liability or any Tax item for any Pre-Closing Tax Period, Straddle Period or other Tax period affecting any such earlier Tax period. After the Closing, Purchaser shall have the right to assume control of any PLR or CA request filed by Sellers or any Affiliate thereof, including the right to represent Sellers and their Affiliates and to direct all professionals acting on their behalf in connection with such request, and no settlement, concession, compromise, commitment or other agreements in respect of such PLR or CA request shall be made without Purchaser's prior written consent.

(b) All Taxes required to be paid by any Seller or Seller Group member for any Pre-Closing Tax Period or any Straddle Period shall be timely paid. To the extent a Party hereto is liable for a Tax pursuant to this Agreement and such Tax is paid or payable by another Party or such other Party's Affiliates, the Party liable for such Tax shall make payment in the amount of such Tax to the other Party no later than three (3) days prior to the due date for payment of such Tax, unless a later time for payment is agreed to in writing by such other Party. To the extent that any Seller or Seller Group member receives or realizes the benefit of any Tax refund, abatement or credit that is a Purchased Asset, such Seller or Seller Group member receiving the benefit shall transfer

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an amount equal to such refund, abatement or credit to Purchaser within fourteen (14) days of receipt or realization of the benefit.

(c) Purchaser and Sellers shall provide each other with such assistance and non-privileged information relating to the Purchased Assets as may reasonably be requested in connection with any Tax matter, including the matters contemplated by this **Section 6.16**, the preparation of any Tax Return or the performance of any audit, examination or other proceeding by any Taxing Authority, whether conducted in a judicial or administrative forum. Purchaser and Sellers shall retain and provide to each other all non-privileged records and other information reasonably requested by the other and that may be relevant to any such Tax Return, audit, examination or other proceeding.

(d) After the Closing, at Purchaser's election, Purchaser shall exercise exclusive control over the handling, disposition and settlement of any inquiry, examination or proceeding (including an audit) by a Governmental Authority (or that portion of any inquiry, examination or proceeding by a Governmental Authority) with respect to Sellers, any Subsidiary of Sellers or any Seller Group, <u>provided</u> that to the extent any such inquiry, examination or proceeding by a Governmental Authority could materially affect the Taxes due or payable by Sellers, Purchaser shall control the handling, disposition and settlement thereof, subject to reasonable consultation rights of Sellers. Each Party shall notify the other Party (or Parties) in writing promptly upon learning of any such inquiry, examination or proceeding. The Parties and their Affiliates shall cooperate with each other in any such inquiry, examination or proceeding as a Party may reasonably request. Neither Parent nor any of its Affiliates shall extend, without Purchaser's prior written consent, the statute of limitations for any Tax for which Purchaser or any of its Affiliates may be liable.

(e) Notwithstanding anything contained herein, Purchaser shall prepare and Sellers shall timely file all Tax Returns required to be filed in connection with the payment of Transfer Taxes.

(f) From the date of this Agreement to and including the Closing Date, except to the extent relating solely to an Excluded Asset or Retained Liability, no Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary shall, without the prior written consent of Purchaser (which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, and shall not be withheld if not resulting in any Tax impact on Purchaser or any Purchased Asset), (i) make, change, or terminate any material election with respect to Taxes (including elections with respect to the use of Tax accounting methods) of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary or any material joint venture to which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is a party, (ii) settle or compromise any Claim or assessment for Taxes (including refunds) that could be reasonably expected to result in any adverse consequence on Purchaser or any Purchased Asset following the Closing Date, (iii) agree to an extension of the statute of limitations with respect to the assessment or collection of the Taxes of any Seller, Seller Group member or Purchased Subsidiary or any material joint venture of which any Seller or Purchased Subsidiary is a party or (iv) make or surrender any Claim for a refund of a material amount of the Taxes of any of

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Sellers or Purchased Subsidiaries or file an amended Tax Return with respect to a material amount of Taxes.

(g)

Purchaser shall treat the transactions with respect to Parent (i) described herein, in combination with the subsequent liquidation of Sellers (such transactions, collectively, the "Relevant Transactions"), as a reorganization pursuant to Section 368(a)(1)(G) of the Tax Code with any actual or deemed distribution by Parent qualifying solely under Sections 354 and 356 of the Tax Code but not under Section 355 of the Tax Code (a "G Transaction") if (x) the IRS issues a private letter ruling ("PLR") or executes a closing agreement ("CA"), in each case reasonably acceptable to Purchaser, confirming that the Relevant Transactions shall qualify as a G Transaction for U.S. federal income Tax purposes, or (y) Purchaser determines to treat the Relevant Transactions as so qualifying (clause (x) or (y), an "Agreed G Transaction"). In connection with the foregoing, Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts to obtain a PLR or execute a CA with respect to the Relevant Transactions at least seven (7) days prior to the Closing Date. At least three (3) days prior to the Closing Date, Purchaser shall advise Parent in writing as to whether Purchaser has made a determination regarding the treatment of the Relevant Transactions for U.S. federal income Tax purposes and, if applicable, the outcome of any such determination.

(ii) On or prior to the Closing Date, Sellers shall deliver to Purchaser all information in the possession of Sellers and their Affiliates that is reasonably related to the determination of whether the Relevant Transactions constitute an Agreed G Transaction ("<u>Relevant Information</u>"), and, after the Closing, Sellers shall promptly provide to Purchaser any newly produced or obtained Relevant Information. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties shall cooperate in taking any actions and providing any information that Purchaser determines is necessary or appropriate in furtherance of the intended U.S. federal income Tax treatment of the Relevant Transactions and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(iii) If Purchaser has not determined as of the Closing Date whether to treat the Relevant Transactions as an Agreed G Transaction, Purchaser shall make such determination in accordance with this **Section 6.16** prior to the due date (including validly obtained extensions) for filing the corporate income Tax Return for Parent's U.S. affiliated group (as defined in Section 1504 of the Tax Code) for the taxable year in which the Closing Date occurs, and shall convey such decision in writing to Parent, which decision shall be binding on Parent.

(iv) If the Relevant Transactions constitute an Agreed G Transaction under this **Section 6.16**: (A) Sellers shall use their reasonable best efforts, and Purchaser shall use reasonable best efforts to assist Sellers, to effectuate such treatment and the Parties shall not take any action or position inconsistent with, or

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fail to take any necessary action in furtherance of, such treatment (subject to Section 6.16(g)(vi)); (B) the Parties agree that this Agreement shall constitute a "plan" of Parent and Purchaser for purposes of Sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code; (C) the board of directors of Parent and Purchaser shall, by resolution, approve the execution of this Agreement and expressly recognize its treatment as a "plan" of Parent and Purchaser for purposes of Sections 368 and 354 of the Tax Code, and the treatment of the Relevant Transactions as a G Transaction for federal income Tax purposes; (D) Sellers shall provide Purchaser with a statement setting forth the adjusted Tax basis of the Purchased Assets and the amount of net operating losses and other material Tax attributes of Sellers and any Purchased Subsidiary that are available as of the Closing Date and after the close of any taxable year of any Seller or Seller Group member that impacts the numbers previously provided, all based on the best information available, but with no Liability for any errors or omissions in information; and (E) Sellers shall provide Purchaser with an estimate of the cancellation of Indebtedness income that Sellers and any Seller Group member anticipate realizing for the taxable year that includes the Closing Date, and shall provide revised numbers after the close of any taxable year of any Seller or Seller Group member that impacts this number.

(v) If the Relevant Transactions do not constitute an Agreed G Transaction under this **Section 6.16**, the Parties hereby agree, and Sellers hereby consent, to treat the sale of the Purchased Assets by Parent as a taxable asset sale for all Tax purposes, to make any elections pursuant to Section 338 of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of **Section 3.3**. In addition, the Parties hereby agree, and Sellers hereby consent, to treat the sales of the Purchased Assets by S Distribution and Harlem as taxable asset sales for all Tax purposes, to make any elections pursuant to Section 338 of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of the Tax Code requested by Purchaser, and to report consistently herewith for purposes of **Section 3.3**.

(vi) No Party shall take any position with respect to the Relevant Transactions that is inconsistent with the position determined in accordance with this **Section 6.16**, unless, and then only to the extent, otherwise required to do so by a Final Determination.

(vii) Each Seller shall liquidate, as determined for U.S. federal income Tax purposes and to the satisfaction of Purchaser, no later than December 31, 2011, and each such liquidation may include a distribution of assets to a "liquidating trust" within the meaning of Treas. Reg. § 301.7701-4, the terms of which shall be satisfactory to Purchaser.

(viii) Effective no later than the Closing Date, Purchaser shall be treated as a corporation for federal income Tax purposes.

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#### Section 6.17 Employees; Benefit Plans; Labor Matters.

Transferred Employees. Effective as of the Closing Date, Purchaser or (a) one of its Affiliates shall make an offer of employment to each Applicable Employee. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary and except as provided in an individual employment Contract with any Applicable Employee or as required by the terms of an Assumed Plan, offers of employment to Applicable Employees whose employment rights are subject to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement as of the Closing Date, shall be made in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and Purchaser's obligations under the Labor Management Relations Act of 1974, as amended. Each offer of employment to an Applicable Employee who is not covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement shall provide, until at least the first anniversary of the Closing Date, for (i) base salary or hourly wage rates initially at least equal to such Applicable Employee's base salary or hourly wage rate in effect as of immediately prior to the Closing Date and (ii) employee pension and welfare benefits, Contracts and arrangements that are not less favorable in the aggregate than those listed on Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, but not including any Retained Plan, equity or equity-based compensation plans or any Benefit Plan that does not comply in all respects with TARP. For the avoidance of doubt, each Applicable Employee on layoff status, leave status or with recall rights as of the Closing Date, shall continue in such status and/or retain such rights after Closing in the Ordinary Course of Business. Each Applicable Employee who accepts employment with Purchaser or one of its Affiliates and commences working for Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall become a "Transferred Employee." To the extent such offer of employment by Purchaser or its Affiliates is not accepted, Sellers shall, as soon as practicable following the Closing Date, terminate the employment of all such Applicable Employees. Nothing in this Section 6.17(a) shall prohibit Purchaser or any of its Affiliates from terminating the employment of any Transferred Employee after the Closing Date, subject to the terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. It is understood that the intent of this Section 6.17(a) is to provide a seamless transition from Sellers to Purchaser of any Applicable Employee subject to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. Except for Applicable Employees with nonstandard individual agreements providing for severance benefits, until at least the first anniversary of the Closing Date, Purchaser further agrees and acknowledges that it shall provide to each Transferred Employee who is not covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and whose employment is involuntarily terminated by Purchaser or its Affiliates on or prior to the first anniversary of the Closing Date, severance benefits that are not less favorable than the severance benefits such Transferred Employee would have received under the applicable Benefit Plans listed on Section 4.10 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall take all actions necessary such that Transferred Employees shall be credited for their actual and credited service with Sellers and each of their respective Affiliates, for purposes of eligibility, vesting and benefit accrual (except in the case of a defined benefit pension plan sponsored by Purchaser or any of its Affiliates in which Transferred Employees may commence participation after the Closing that is not an Assumed Plan), in any employee benefit plans (excluding equity compensation plans or programs) covering Transferred Employees after the Closing to the same extent as such Transferred Employee was

entitled as of immediately prior to the Closing Date to credit for such service under any similar employee benefit plans, programs or arrangements of any of Sellers or any Affiliate of Sellers; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such crediting of service shall not operate to duplicate any benefit to any such Transferred Employee or the funding for any such benefit. Such benefits shall not be subject to any exclusion for any pre-existing conditions to the extent such conditions were satisfied by such Transferred Employees under a Parent Employee Benefit Plan as of the Closing Date, and credit shall be provided for any deductible or out-of-pocket amounts paid by such Transferred Employee during the plan year in which the Closing Date occurs.

(b) *Employees of Purchased Subsidiaries.* As of the Closing Date, those employees of Purchased Subsidiaries who participate in the Assumed Plans, may, subject to the applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement, for all purposes continue to participate in such Assumed Plans, in accordance with their terms in effect from time to time. For the avoidance of any doubt, Purchaser shall continue the employment of any current Employee of any Purchased Subsidiary covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement on the terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement in effect immediately prior to the Closing Date, subject to its terms; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to terminate the coverage of any UAW-represented Employee in an Assumed Plan if such Employee was a participant in the Assumed Plan immediately prior to the Closing Date. Further provided, that nothing in this Agreement shall create a direct employment relationship between Parent or Purchaser and an Employee of a Purchased Subsidiary or an Affiliate of Parent.

(c) No Third Party Beneficiaries. Nothing contained herein, express or implied, (i) is intended to confer or shall confer upon any Employee or Transferred Employee any right to employment or continued employment for any period of time by reason of this Agreement, or any right to a particular term or condition of employment, (ii) except as set forth in **Section 9.11**, is intended to confer or shall confer upon any individual or any legal Representative of any individual (including employees, retirees, or dependents or beneficiaries of employees or retirees and including collective bargaining agents or representatives) any right as a third-party beneficiary of this Agreement or (iii) shall be deemed to confer upon any such individual or legal Representative any rights under or with respect to any plan, program or arrangement described in or contemplated by this Agreement, and each such individual or legal Representative shall be entitled to look only to the express terms of any such plans, program or arrangement for his or her rights thereunder. Nothing herein is intended to override the terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement.

(d) *Plan Authority.* Nothing contained herein, express or implied, shall prohibit Purchaser or its Affiliates, as applicable, from, subject to applicable Law and the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, adding, deleting or changing providers of benefits, changing, increasing or decreasing co-payments, deductibles or other requirements for coverage or benefits (e.g., utilization review or pre-certification requirements), and/or making other changes in the administration or in the design, coverage and benefits provided to such Transferred Employees. Without reducing the obligations of Purchaser as set forth in **Section 6.17(a)**, no provision of this Agreement

shall be construed as a limitation on the right of Purchaser or its Affiliates, as applicable, to suspend, amend, modify or terminate any employee benefit plan, subject to the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. Further, (i) no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as an amendment to any employee benefit plan, and (ii) no provision of this Agreement shall be construed as limiting Purchaser's or its Affiliate's, as applicable, discretion and authority to interpret the respective employee benefit and compensation plans, agreements arrangements, and programs, in accordance with their terms and applicable Law.

Assumption of Certain Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies. As of (e) the Closing Date, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall assume (i) the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies set forth on Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as modified thereon, and all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto, except for any that do not comply in all respects with TARP or as otherwise provided in Section 6.17(h) and (ii) all employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements (whether written or oral) in which Employees who are covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement participate and all assets, trusts, insurance and other Contracts relating thereto (the "Assumed Plans"), for the benefit of the Transferred Employees and Sellers and Purchaser shall cooperate with each other to take all actions and execute and deliver all documents and furnish all notices necessary to establish Purchaser or one of its Affiliates as the sponsor of such Assumed Plans including all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto. Other than with respect to any Employee who was or is covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, Purchaser shall have no Liability with respect to any modifications or changes to Benefit Plans contemplated by Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, or changes made by Parent prior to the Closing Date, and Purchaser shall not assume any Liability with respect to any such decisions or actions related thereto, and Purchaser shall only assume the Liabilities for benefits provided pursuant to the written terms and conditions of the Assumed Plan as of the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the assumption of the Assumed Plans is subject to Purchaser taking all necessary action, including reduction of benefits, to ensure that the Assumed Plans comply in all respects with TARP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, but subject to the terms of any Collective Bargaining Agreement to which Purchaser or one of its Affiliates is a party, Purchaser and its Affiliates may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend or terminate any such Assumed Plan at any time in accordance with its terms.

(f) UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. Parent shall assume and assign to Purchaser, as of the Closing, the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and all rights and Liabilities of Parent relating thereto (including Liabilities for wages, benefits and other compensation, unfair labor practices, grievances, arbitrations and contractual obligations). With respect to the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, Purchaser agrees to (i) recognize the UAW as the exclusive collective bargaining representative for the Transferred Employees covered by the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, (ii) offer employment to all Applicable Employees covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement with full recognition of all seniority rights, (iii) negotiate with the UAW over the terms of any successor collective bargaining agreement upon the expiration of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement and upon timely demand by the UAW, (iv) with the agreement of the UAW or otherwise as provided by Law and to the extent necessary, adopt or assume or replace, effective as of the Closing Date, employee benefit plans, policies, programs, agreements and arrangements specified in or covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement as required to be provided to the Transferred Employees covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, and (v) otherwise abide by all terms and conditions of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement. For the avoidance of doubt, the provisions of this **Section 6.17(f)** are not intended to (A) give, and shall not be construed as giving, the UAW or any Transferred Employee any enhanced or additional rights or (B) otherwise restrict the rights that Purchaser and its Affiliates have, under the terms of the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement.

(g) *UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement*. Prior to the Closing, Purchaser and the UAW shall have entered into the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement.

(h) Assumption of Existing Internal VEBA. Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall, effective as of the Closing Date, assume from Sellers the sponsorship of the voluntary employees' beneficiary association trust between Sellers and State Street Bank and Trust Company dated as of December 17, 1997, that is funded and maintained by Sellers ("Existing Internal VEBA") and, in connection therewith, Purchaser shall, or shall cause one of its Affiliates to, (i) succeed to all of the rights, title and interest (including the rights of Sellers, if any) as plan sponsor, plan administrator or employer) under the Existing Internal VEBA, (ii) assume any responsibility or Liability relating to the Existing Internal VEBA and each Contract established thereunder or relating thereto, and (iii) to operate the Existing Internal VEBA in accordance with, and to otherwise comply with the Purchaser's obligations under, the New UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement between Purchaser and the UAW, effective as of the Closing and subject to approval by a court having jurisdiction over this matter, including the obligation to direct the trustee of the Existing Internal VEBA to transfer the UAW's share of assets in the Existing Internal The Parties shall cooperate in the execution of any VEBA to the New VEBA. documents, the adoption of any corporate resolutions or the taking of any other reasonable actions to effectuate such succession of the settlor rights, title, and interest with respect to the Existing Internal VEBA. For avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume any Liabilities relating to the Existing Internal VEBA except with respect to such Contracts set forth in Section 6.17(h) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

(i) *Wage and Tax Reporting.* Sellers and Purchaser agree to apply, and cause their Affiliates to apply, the standard procedure for successor employers set forth in Revenue Procedure 2004-53 for wage and employment Tax reporting.

(j) *Non-solicitation*. Sellers shall not, for a period of two (2) years from the Closing Date, without Purchaser's written consent, solicit, offer employment to or hire any Transferred Employee.

(k) *Cooperation*. Purchaser and Sellers shall provide each other with such records and information as may be reasonably necessary, appropriate and permitted under applicable Law to carry out their obligations under this **Section 6.17**; provided, that all

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records, information systems data bases, computer programs, data rooms and data related to any Assumed Plan or Liabilities of such, assumed by Purchaser, shall be transferred to Purchaser.

(1) Union Notifications. Purchaser and Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with each other in connection with any notification required by Law to, or any required consultation with, or the provision of documents and information to, the employees, employee representatives, the UAW and relevant Governmental Authorities and governmental officials concerning the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, including any notice to any of Sellers' retired Employees represented by the UAW, describing the transactions contemplated herein.

### (m) Union-Represented Employees (Non-UAW).

Effective as of the Closing Date, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates (i) shall assume the collective bargaining agreements, as amended, set forth on Section 6.17(m)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (collectively, the "Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements") and make offers of employment to each current employee of Parent who is covered by them in accordance with the applicable terms and conditions of such Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements, such assumption and offers conditioned upon (A) the non-UAW represented employees' ratification of the amendments thereto (including termination of the application of the Supplemental Agreements Covering Health Care Program to retirees and the reduction to retiree life insurance coverage) and (B) Bankruptcy Court approval of Settlement Agreements between Purchaser and such Unions and Proposed Memorandum of Understanding Regarding Retiree Health Care and Life Insurance between Sellers and such Unions, as identified on Section 6.17(m)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and satisfaction of all conditions stated therein. Each such non-UAW hourly employee on layoff status, leave status or with recall rights as of the Closing Date shall continue in such status and/or retain such rights after the Closing in the Ordinary Course of Business, subject to the terms of the applicable Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Other than as set forth in this Section 6.17(m), no non-UAW Agreement. collective bargaining agreement shall be assumed by Purchaser.

(ii) Section 6.17(m)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule sets forth agreements relating to post-retirement health care and life insurance coverage for non-UAW retired employees (the "<u>Non-UAW Settlement Agreements</u>"), including those agreements covering retirees who once belonged to Unions that no longer have any active employees at Sellers. Conditioned on both the approval of the Bankruptcy Court and the non-UAW represented employees' ratification of the amendments to the applicable Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement providing for such coverage as described in **Section 6.17(m)(i)** above, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall assume and enter into the agreements identified on Section 6.17(m)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Except as set forth in those agreements identified on Section 6.17(m)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure and Schedule.

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post-retirement health care or life insurance coverage for current or future hourly non-UAW retirees.

(iii) Other than as expressly set forth in this **Section 6.17(m)**, Purchaser assumes no Employment-Related Obligations for non-UAW hourly Employees. For the avoidance of doubt, (A) the provisions of **Section 6.17(f)** shall not apply to this **Section 6.17(m)** and (B) the provisions of this **Section 6.17(m)** are not intended to (y) give, and shall not be construed as giving, any non-UAW Union or the covered employee or retiree of any Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement any enhanced or additional rights or (z) otherwise restrict the rights that Purchaser and its Affiliates have under the terms of the Non-UAW Collective Bargaining Agreements identified on Section 6.17(m)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

Section 6.18 TARP. From and after the date hereof and until such time as all amounts under the UST Credit Facilities have been paid in full, forgiven or otherwise extinguished or such longer period as may be required by Law, subject to any applicable Order of the Bankruptcy Court, each of Sellers and Purchaser shall, and shall cause each of their respective Subsidiaries to, take all necessary action to ensure that it complies in all material respects with TARP or any enhanced restrictions on executive compensation agreed to by Sellers and Sponsor prior to the Closing.

Section 6.19 Guarantees; Letters of Credit. Purchaser shall use its reasonable best efforts to cause Purchaser or one or more of its Subsidiaries to be substituted in all respects for each Seller and Excluded Entity, effective as of the Closing Date, in respect of all Liabilities of each Seller and Excluded Entity under each of the guarantees, letters of credit, letters of comfort, bid bonds and performance bonds (a) obtained by any Seller or Excluded Entity for the benefit of the business of Sellers and their Subsidiaries and (b) which is assumed by Purchaser as an Assumed Liability. As a result of such substitution, each Seller and Excluded Entity shall be released of its obligations of, and shall have no Liability following the Closing from, or in connection with any such guarantees, letters of credit, letters of comfort, bid bonds and performance bonds.

Section 6.20 Customs Duties. Purchaser shall reimburse Sellers for all customsrelated duties, fees and associated costs incurred by Sellers on behalf of Purchaser with respect to periods following the Closing, including all such duties, fees and costs incurred in connection with co-loaded containers that clear customs intentionally or unintentionally under any Seller's importer or exporter identification numbers and bonds or guarantees with respect to periods following the Closing.

Section 6.21 Termination of Intellectual Property Rights. Each Seller agrees that any rights of any Seller, including any rights arising under Contracts, if any, to any and all of the Intellectual Property transferred to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement (including indirect transfers resulting from the transfer of the Transferred Equity Interests and including transfers resulting from this Section 6.21), whether owned or licensed, shall terminate as of the Closing. Before and after the Closing, each Seller agrees to use its reasonable best efforts to cause the Retained Subsidiaries to do the following, but only to the extent that such Seller can do so

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without incurring any Liabilities to such Retained Subsidiaries or their equity owners or creditors as a result thereof: (a) enter into a written Contract with Purchaser that expressly terminates any rights of such Retained Subsidiaries, including any rights arising under Contracts, if any, to any and all of the Intellectual Property transferred to Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement (including indirect transfers resulting from the transfer of the Transferred Equity Interests), whether owned or licensed; and (b) assign to Purchaser or its designee(s): (i) all domestic and foreign trademarks, service marks, collective marks, certification marks, trade dress, trade names, business names, d/b/a's, Internet domain names, designs, logos and other source or business identifiers and all general intangibles of like nature, now or hereafter owned, adopted, used, acquired, or licensed by any Seller, all applications, registrations and recordings thereof (including applications, registrations and recordings in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or in any similar office or agency of the United States, any state thereof or any other country or any political subdivision thereof), and all reissues, extensions or renewals thereof, together with all goodwill of the business symbolized by or associated with such marks, in each case, that are owned by such Retained Subsidiaries and that contain or are confusingly similar with (whether in whole or in part) any of the Trademarks; and (ii) all other intellectual property owned by such Retained Subsidiaries. Nothing in this Section 6.21 shall preserve any rights of Sellers or the Retained Subsidiaries, or any third parties, that are otherwise terminated or extinguished pursuant to this Agreement or applicable Law, and nothing in this Section 6.21 shall create any rights of Sellers or the Retained Subsidiaries, or any third parties, that do not already exist as of the date hereof. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 6.21, Sellers may enter into (and may cause or permit any of the Purchased Subsidiaries to enter into) any of the transactions contemplated by Section 6.2 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

# Section 6.22 Trademarks.

(a) At or before the Closing (i) Parent shall take any and all actions that are reasonably necessary to change the corporate name of Parent to a new name that bears no resemblance to Parent's present corporate name and that does not contain, and is not confusingly similar with, any of the Trademarks; and (ii) to the extent that the corporate name of any Seller (other than Parent) or any Retained Subsidiary resembles Parent's present corporate name or contains or is confusingly similar with any of the Trademarks, Sellers (including Parent) shall take any and all actions that are reasonably necessary to change such corporate names to new names that bear no resemblance to Parent's present corporate name, and that do not contain and are not confusingly similar with any of the Trademarks.

(b) As promptly as practicable following the Closing, but in no event later than ninety (90) days after the Closing (except as set forth in this **Section 6.22(b)**), Sellers shall cease, and shall cause the Retained Subsidiaries to cease, using the Trademarks in any form, whether by removing, permanently obliterating, covering, or otherwise eliminating all Trademarks that appear on any of their assets, including all signs, promotional or advertising literature, labels, stationery, business cards, office forms and packaging materials. During such time period, Sellers and the Retained Subsidiaries may continue to use Trademarks in a manner consistent with their usage of the Trademarks as of immediately prior to the Closing, but only to the extent reasonably necessary for them to continue their operations as contemplated by the Parties as of the Closing. If requested by Purchaser within a reasonable time after the Closing, Sellers and Retained Subsidiaries shall enter into a written agreement that specifies quality control of such Trademarks and their underlying goods and services. For signs and the like that exist as of the Closing on the Excluded Real Property, if it is not reasonably practicable for Sellers or the Retained Subsidiaries to remove, permanently obliterate, cover or otherwise eliminate the Trademarks from such signs and the like within the time period specified above, then Sellers and the Retained Subsidiaries shall do so as soon as practicable following such time period, but in no event later than one-hundred eighty (180) days following the Closing.

(c) From and after the date of this Agreement and, until the earlier of the Closing or termination of this Agreement, each Seller shall use its reasonable best efforts to protect and maintain the Intellectual Property owned by Sellers that is material to the conduct of its business in a manner that is consistent with the value of such Intellectual Property.

(d) At or prior to the Closing, Sellers shall provide a true, correct and complete list setting forth all worldwide patents, patent applications, trademark registrations and applications and copyright registrations and applications included in the Intellectual Property owned by Sellers.

Section 6.23 Preservation of Records. The Parties shall preserve and keep all books and records that they own immediately after the Closing relating to the Purchased Assets, the Assumed Liabilities and Sellers' operation of the business related thereto prior to the Closing for a period of six (6) years following the Closing Date or for such longer period as may be required by applicable Law, unless disposed of in good faith pursuant to a document retention policy. During such retention period, duly authorized Representatives of a Party shall, upon reasonable notice, have reasonable access during normal business hours to examine, inspect and copy such books and records held by the other Parties for any proper purpose, except as may be prohibited by Law or by the terms of any Contract (including any confidentiality agreement); provided that to the extent that disclosing any such information would reasonably be expected to constitute a waiver of attorney-client, work product or other legal privilege with respect thereto, the Parties shall take all reasonable best efforts to permit such disclosure without the waiver of any such privilege, including entering into an appropriate joint defense agreement in connection with affording access to such information. The access provided pursuant to this Section 6.23 shall be subject to such additional confidentiality provisions as the disclosing Party may reasonably deem necessary.

Section 6.24 Confidentiality. During the Confidentiality Period, Sellers and their Affiliates shall treat all trade secrets and all other proprietary, legally privileged or sensitive information related to the Transferred Entities, the Purchased Assets and/or the Assumed Liabilities (collectively, the "<u>Confidential Information</u>"), whether furnished before or after the Closing, whether documentary, electronic or oral, labeled or otherwise identified as confidential, and regardless of the form of communication or the manner in which it is or was furnished, as confidential, preserve the confidentiality thereof, not use or disclose to any Person such Confidential Information to keep confidential such Confidential Information. The "<u>Confidentiality Period</u>"

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shall be a period commencing on the date of the Original Agreement and (a) with respect to a trade secret, continuing for as long as it remains a trade secret and (b) for all other Confidential Information, ending four (4) years from the Closing Date. Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include any information that (i) is now available to or is hereafter disclosed in a manner making it available to the general public, in each case, through no act or omission of Sellers, any of their Affiliates or any of their Representatives, or (ii) is required by Law to be disclosed, including any applicable requirements of the SEC or any other Governmental Authority responsible for securities Law regulation and compliance or any stock market or stock exchange on which any Seller's securities are listed.

Section 6.25 Privacy Policies. At or prior to the Closing, Purchaser shall, or shall cause its Subsidiaries to, establish Privacy Policies that are substantially similar to the Privacy Policies of Parent and the Purchased Subsidiaries as of immediately prior to the Closing, and Purchaser or its Affiliates, as applicable, shall honor all "opt-out" requests or preferences made by individuals in accordance with the Privacy Policies of Parent and the Purchased Subsidiaries and applicable Law; <u>provided</u> that such Privacy Policies and any related "opt-out" requests or preferences are delivered or otherwise made available to Purchaser prior to the Closing, to the extent not publicly available.

Section 6.26 Supplements to Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. At any time and from time to time prior to the Closing, Sellers shall have the right to supplement, modify or update Section 4.1 through Section 4.22 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (a) to reflect changes and developments that have arisen after the date of the Original Agreement and that, if they existed prior to the date of the Original Agreement, would have been required to be set forth on such Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or (b) as may be necessary to correct any disclosures contained in such Sellers' Disclosure Schedule or in any representation and warranty of Sellers that has been rendered inaccurate by such changes or developments. No supplement, modification or amendment to Section 4.1 through Section 4.22 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall without the prior written consent of Purchaser, (i) cure any inaccuracy of any representation and warranty made in this Agreement by Sellers or (ii) give rise to Purchaser's right to terminate this Agreement unless and until this Agreement shall be terminable by Purchaser in accordance with Section 8.1(f).

# Section 6.27 Real Property Matters.

(a) Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that certain real properties (the "<u>Subdivision Properties</u>") may need to be subdivided or otherwise legally partitioned in accordance with applicable Law (a "<u>Required Subdivision</u>") so as to permit the affected Owned Real Property to be conveyed to Purchaser separate and apart from adjacent Excluded Real Property. Section 6.27 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule contains a list of the Subdivision Properties that was determined based on the current list of Excluded Real Property. Section 6.27 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule may be updated at any time prior to the Closing to either (i) add additional Subdivision Properties or (ii) remove any Subdivision Properties, which have been determined to not require a Required Subdivision or for which a Required Subdivision has been obtained. Purchaser shall pay for all costs incurred to complete all Required Subdivisions. Sellers shall cooperate in good faith with Purchaser in connection with the completion with all Required

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Subdivisions, including executing all required applications or other similar documents with Governmental Authorities. To the extent that any Required Subdivision for a Subdivision Property is not completed prior to Closing, then at Closing, Sellers shall lease to Purchaser only that portion of such Subdivision Property that constitutes Owned Real Property pursuant to the Master Lease Agreement (Subdivision Master Lease"). Upon completion of a Required Subdivision affecting an Owned Real Property that is subject to the Subdivision Master Lease, the Subdivision Master Lease shall be terminated as to such Owned Real Property and such Owned Real Property shall be conveyed to Purchaser by Quitclaim Deed for One Dollar (\$1.00) in stated consideration.

Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that the Saginaw Nodular Iron facility (b) in Saginaw, Michigan (the "Saginaw Nodular Iron Land") contains a wastewater treatment facility (the "Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility") and a landfill (the "Saginaw Landfill") that currently serve the Owned Real Property commonly known as the GMPT - Saginaw Metal Casting facility (the "Saginaw Metal Casting Land"). The Saginaw Nodular Iron Land has been designated as an Excluded Real Property under Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. At the Closing (or within sixty (60) days after the Closing with respect to the Saginaw Landfill), Sellers shall enter into one or more service agreements with one or more third party contractors (collectively, the "Saginaw Service Contracts") to operate the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility and the Saginaw Landfill for the benefit of the Saginaw Metal Casting Land. The terms and conditions of the Saginaw Service Contracts shall be mutually acceptable to Purchaser and Sellers; provided that the term of each Saginaw Service Contract shall not extend beyond December 31, 2012, and Purchaser shall have the right to terminate any Saginaw Service Contract upon prior written notice of not less than forty-five (45) days. At any time during the term of the Saginaw Service Contracts, Purchaser may elect to purchase the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility, the Saginaw Landfill, or both, for One Dollar (\$1.00) in stated consideration; provided that (i) Purchaser shall pay all costs and fees related to such purchase, including the costs of completing any Required Subdivision necessary to effectuate the terms of this Section 6.27(b), (ii) Sellers shall convey title to the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility, the Saginaw Landfill and/or such other portion of the Saginaw Nodular Iron Land as is required by Purchaser to operate the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility and/or the Saginaw Landfill, including lagoons, but not any other portion of the Saginaw Nodular Iron Land, to Purchaser by quitclaim deed and (iii) Sellers shall grant Purchaser such easements for utilities over the portion of the Saginaw Nodular Iron Land retained by Sellers as may be required to operate the Existing Saginaw Wastewater Facility and/or the Saginaw Landfill.

(c) Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that access to certain Excluded Real Property owned by Sellers or other real properties owned by Excluded Entities and certain Owned Real Property that may hereafter be designated as Excluded Real Property on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (a "Landlocked Parcel") is provided over land that is part of the Owned Real Property. To the extent that direct access to a public right-of-way is not obtained for any Landlocked Parcel by the Closing, then at Closing, Purchaser, in its sole election, shall for each such Landlocked Parcel either (i) grant an access easement over a mutually agreeable portion of the adjacent

Owned Real Property for the benefit of the Landlocked Parcel until such time as the Landlocked Parcel obtains direct access to the public right-of-way, pursuant to the terms of a mutually acceptable easement agreement, or (ii) convey to the owner of the affected Landlocked Parcel by quitclaim deed such portion of the adjacent Owned Real Property as is required to provide the Landlocked Parcel with direct access to a public right-of-way.

(d) At and after Closing, Sellers and Purchasers shall cooperate in good faith to investigate and resolve all issues reasonably related to or arising in connection with Shared Executory Contracts that involve the provision of water, water treatment, electricity, fuel, gas, telephone and other utilities to both Owned Real Property and Excluded Real Property.

(e) Parent shall use reasonable best efforts to cause the Willow Run Landlord to execute, within thirty (30) days after the Closing, or at such later date as may be mutually agreed upon, an amendment to the Willow Run Lease which extends the term of the Willow Run Lease until December 31, 2010 with three (3) one-month options to extend, all at the current rental rate under the Willow Run Lease (the "<u>Willow Run Lease</u> <u>Amendment</u>"). In the event that the Willow Run Lease Amendment is approved and executed by the Willow Run Landlord, then Purchaser shall designate the Willow Run Lease as an Assumable Executory Contract and Parent and Purchaser, or one of its designated Subsidiaries, shall enter into an assignment and assumption of the Willow Run Lease").

*Section 6.28 Equity Incentive Plans.* Within a reasonable period of time following the Closing, Purchaser, through its board of directors, will adopt equity incentive plans to be maintained by Purchaser for the benefit of officers, directors, and employees of Purchaser that will provide the opportunity for equity incentive benefits for such persons ("Equity Incentive Plans").

Section 6.29 Purchase of Personal Property Subject to Executory Contracts. With respect to any Personal Property subject to an Executory Contract that is nominally an unexpired lease of Personal Property, if (a) such Contract is recharacterized by a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court as a secured financing or (b) Purchaser, Sellers and the counterparty to such Contract agree, then Purchaser shall have the option to purchase such personal property by paying to the applicable Seller for the benefit of the counterparty to such Contract an amount equal to the amount, as applicable (i) of such counterparty's allowed secured Claim arising in connection with the recharacterization of such Contract as determined by such Order or (ii) agreed to by Purchaser, Sellers and such counterparty.

Section 6.30 Transfer of Riverfront Holdings, Inc. Equity Interests or Purchased Assets; Ren Cen Lease. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, in lieu of or in addition to the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interest in Riverfront Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>RHI</u>"), Purchaser shall have the right at the Closing or at any time during the RHI Post-Closing Period, to require Sellers to cause RHI to transfer good and marketable title to, or a valid and enforceable right by Contract to use, all or any portion of the assets of RHI

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to Purchaser. Purchaser shall, at its option, have the right to cause Sellers to postpone the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interest in RHI and/or title to the assets of RHI to Purchaser up until the earlier of (i) January 31, 2010 and (ii) the Business Day immediately prior to the date of the confirmation hearing for Sellers' plan of liquidation or reorganization (the "<u>RHI Post-Closing</u> <u>Period</u>"); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that (a) Purchaser may cause Sellers to effectuate said transfers at any time and from time to time during the RHI-Post Closing Period upon at least five (5) Business Days' prior written notice to Sellers and (b) at the closing, RHI, as landlord, and Purchaser, or one of its designated Subsidiaries, as tenant, shall enter into a lease agreement substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit N</u> (the "<u>Ren Cen Lease</u>") for the premises described therein.

Section 6.31 Delphi Agreements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, including Section 6.6:

(a) Subject to and simultaneously with the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the MDA or of an Acceptable Alternative Transaction (in each case, as defined in the Delphi Motion), (i) the Delphi Transaction Agreements shall, effective immediately upon and simultaneously with such consummation, (A) be deemed to be Assumable Executory Contracts and (B) be assumed and assigned to Purchaser and (ii) the Assumption Effective Date with respect thereto shall be deemed to be the date of such consummation.

(b) The LSA Agreement shall, effective at the Closing, (i) be deemed to be an Assumable Executory Contract and (B) be assumed and assigned to Purchaser and (ii) the Assumption Effective Date with respect thereto shall be deemed to be the Closing Date. To the extent that any such agreement is not an Executory Contract, such agreement shall be deemed to be a Purchased Contract.

Section 6.32 GM Strasbourg S.A. Restructuring. The Parties acknowledge and agree that General Motors International Holdings, Inc., a direct Subsidiary of Parent and the direct parent of GM Strasbourg S.A., may, prior to the Closing, dividend its Equity Interest in GM Strasbourg S.A. to Parent, such that following such dividend, GM Strasbourg S.A. will become a wholly-owned direct Subsidiary of Parent. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, the Parties further acknowledge and agree that following the consummation of such restructuring at any time prior to the Closing, GM Strasbourg S.A. shall automatically, without further action by the Parties, be designated as an Excluded Entity and deemed to be set forth on Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule.

Section 6.33 Holding Company Reorganization. The Parties agree that Purchaser may, with the prior written consent of Sellers, reorganize prior to the Closing such that Purchaser may become a direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiary of Holding Company on such terms and in such manner as is reasonably acceptable to Sellers, and Purchaser may assign all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement to Holding Company (or one or more newly formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Holding Company) in accordance with Section 9.5. In connection with any restructuring effected pursuant to this Section 6.33, the Parties further agree that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement (a) Parent shall receive securities of Holding Company with the same rights and

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privileges, and in the same proportions, as the Parent Shares and the Parent Warrants, in each case, in lieu of the Parent Shares and Parent Warrants, as Purchase Price hereunder, (b) Canada, New VEBA and Sponsor shall receive securities of Holding Company with the same rights and privileges, and in the same proportions, as the Canada Shares, VEBA Shares, VEBA Warrant and Sponsor Shares, as applicable, in each case, in connection with the Closing and (c) New VEBA shall receive the VEBA Note issued by the same entity that becomes the obligor on the Purchaser Assumed Debt.

Section 6.34 Transfer of Promark Global Advisors Limited and Promark Investment Trustees Limited Equity Interests. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, in the event approval by the Financial Services Authority (the "FSA Approval") of the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in Promark Global Advisors Limited and Promark Investments Trustees Limited (together, the "Promark UK Subsidiaries") has not been obtained as of the Closing Date, Sellers shall, at their option, have the right to postpone the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in the Promark UK Subsidiaries until such time as the FSA Approval is obtained. If the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in the Promark UK Subsidiaries is postponed pursuant to this Section 6.34, then (a) Sellers and Purchaser shall effectuate the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in the Promark UK Subsidiaries no later than five (5) Business Days following the date that the FSA Approval is obtained and (b) Sellers shall enter into a transitional services agreement with Promark Global Advisors, Inc. in the form provided by Promark Global Advisors, Inc., which shall include terms and provisions regarding: (i) certain transitional services to be provided by Promark Global Advisors, Inc. to the Promark UK Subsidiaries, (ii) the continued availability of director and officer liability insurance for directors and officers of the Promark UK Subsidiaries and (iii) certain actions on the part of the Promark UK Subsidiaries to require the prior written consent of Promark Global Advisors, Inc., including changes to employee benefits or compensation, declaration of dividends, material financial transactions, disposition of material assets, entry into material agreements, changes to existing business plans, changes in management and the boards of directors of the Promark UK Subsidiaries and other similar actions.

Section 6.35 Transfer of Equity Interests in Certain Subsidiaries. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in this Agreement, the Parties may mutually agree to postpone the transfer of Sellers' Equity Interests in those Transferred Entities as are mutually agreed upon by the Parties ("Delayed Closing Entities") to a date following the Closing.

# ARTICLE VII CONDITIONS TO CLOSING

Section 7.1 Conditions to Obligations of Purchaser and Sellers. The respective obligations of Purchaser and Sellers to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the fulfillment or written waiver (to the extent permitted by applicable Law), prior to or at the Closing, of each of the following conditions:

(a) The Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Approval Order and the Sale Procedures Order on terms acceptable to the Parties and reasonably acceptable to the UAW, and each shall be a Final Order and shall not have been vacated, stayed or

reversed; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the conditions contained in this **Section 7.1(a)** shall be satisfied notwithstanding the pendency of an appeal if the effectiveness of the Sale Approval Order has not been stayed.

(b) No Order or Law of a United States Governmental Authority shall be in effect that declares this Agreement invalid or unenforceable or that restrains, enjoins or otherwise prohibits the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(c) Sponsor shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered to Sellers and Purchaser an equity registration rights agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit O** (the "Equity Registration Rights Agreement"), duly executed by Sponsor.

(d) Canada shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered to Sellers and Purchaser the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Canada.

(e) The Canadian Debt Contribution shall have been consummated.

(f) The New VEBA shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered to Sellers and Purchaser, the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by the New VEBA.

(g) Purchaser shall have received (i) consents from Governmental Authorities, (ii) Permits and (iii) consents from non-Governmental Authorities, in each case with respect to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the ownership and operation of the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities by Purchaser from and after the Closing, sufficient in the aggregate to permit Purchaser to own and operate the Purchased Assets and Assumed Liabilities from and after the Closing in substantially the same manner as owned and operated by Sellers immediately prior to the Closing (after giving effect to (A) the implementation of the Viability Plans; (B) Parent's announced shutdown, which began in May 2009; and (C) the Bankruptcy Cases (or any other bankruptcy, insolvency or similar proceeding filed by or in respect of any Subsidiary of Parent).

(h) Sellers shall have executed and delivered definitive financing agreements restructuring the Wind Down Facility in accordance with the provisions of **Section 6.9(b)**.

Section 7.2 Conditions to Obligations of Purchaser. The obligations of Purchaser to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the fulfillment or written waiver, prior to or at the Closing, of each of the following conditions; provided, however, that in no event may Purchaser waive the conditions contained in Section 7.2(d) or Section 7.2(e):

(a) Each of the representations and warranties of Sellers contained in **ARTICLE IV** of this Agreement shall be true and correct (disregarding for the purposes of such determination any qualification as to materiality or Material Adverse Effect) as of

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the Closing Date as if made on the Closing Date (except for representations and warranties that speak as of a specific date or time, which representations and warranties shall be true and correct only as of such date or time), except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Sellers shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and obligations required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by Sellers prior to or at the Closing.

(c) Sellers shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Purchaser:

(i) a certificate executed as of the Closing Date by a duly authorized representative of Sellers, on behalf of Sellers and not in such authorized representative's individual capacity, certifying that the conditions set forth in **Section 7.2(a)** and **Section 7.2(b)** have been satisfied;

(ii) the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Parent;

(iii) stock certificates or membership interest certificates, if any, evidencing the Transferred Equity Interests (other than in respect of the Equity Interests held by Sellers in RHI, Promark Global Advisors Limited, Promark Investments Trustees Limited and the Delayed Closing Entities, which the Parties agree may be transferred following the Closing in accordance with Section 6.30, Section 6.34 and Section 6.35), duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by stock powers (or similar documentation) duly endorsed in blank, in proper form for transfer to Purchaser, including any required stamps affixed thereto;

(iv) an omnibus bill of sale, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit P** (the "<u>Bill of Sale</u>"), together with transfer tax declarations and all other instruments of conveyance that are necessary to effect transfer to Purchaser of title to the Purchased Assets, each in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(v) an omnibus assignment and assumption agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit Q</u> (the "<u>Assignment and Assumption</u> <u>Agreement</u>"), together with all other instruments of assignment and assumption that are necessary to transfer the Purchased Contracts and Assumed Liabilities to Purchaser, each in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(vi) a novation agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit R** (the "Novation Agreement"), duly executed by Sellers and the appropriate United States Governmental Authorities;

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(vii) a government related subcontract agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit S</u> (the "<u>Government Related Subcontract</u> <u>Agreement</u>"), duly executed by Sellers;

(viii) an omnibus intellectual property assignment agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit T** (the "Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement"), duly executed by Sellers;

(ix) a transition services agreement, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit U** (the "Transition Services Agreement"), duly executed by Sellers;

(x) all quitclaim deeds or deeds without warranty (or equivalents for those parcels of Owned Real Property located in jurisdictions outside of the United States), in customary form, subject only to Permitted Encumbrances, conveying the Owned Real Property to Purchaser (the "<u>Quitclaim Deeds</u>"), duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xi) all required Transfer Tax or sales disclosure forms relating to the Transferred Real Property (the "<u>Transfer Tax Forms</u>"), duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xii) an assignment and assumption of the leases and subleases underlying the Leased Real Property, in substantially the form attached hereto as **Exhibit V** (the "Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases"), together with such other instruments of assignment and assumption that are necessary to transfer the leases and subleases underlying the Leased Real Property located in jurisdictions outside of the United States, each duly executed by Sellers; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if it is required for the assumption and assignment of any lease or sublease underlying a Leased Real Property that a separate assignment and assumption for such lease or sublease be executed, then a separate assignment and assumption of such lease or sublease shall be executed in a form substantially similar to **Exhibit V** or as otherwise required to assume or assign such Leased Real Property;

(xiii) an assignment and assumption of the lease in respect of the premises located at 2485 Second Avenue, New York, New York, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit W</u> (the "<u>Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease</u>"), duly executed by Harlem;

(xiv) an omnibus lease agreement in respect of the lease of certain portions of the Excluded Real Property that is owned real property, substantially in the form attached hereto as <u>Exhibit X</u> (the "<u>Master Lease Agreement</u>"), duly executed by Parent;

(xv) [Reserved];

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(xvi) the Saginaw Service Contracts, if required, duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xvii) any easement agreements required under Section 6.27(c), duly executed by the appropriate Seller;

(xviii) the Subdivision Master Lease, if required, duly executed by the appropriate Sellers;

(xix) a certificate of an officer of each Seller (A) certifying that attached to such certificate are true and complete copies of (1) such Seller's Organizational Documents, each as amended through and in effect on the Closing Date and (2) resolutions of the board of directors of such Seller, authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements and the matters set forth in **Section 6.16(e)**, and (B) certifying as to the incumbency of the officer(s) of such Seller executing this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which such Seller is a party;

(xx) a certificate in compliance with Treas. Reg. 1.1445-2(b)(2) that each Seller is not a foreign person as defined under Section 897 of the Tax Code;

(xxi) a certificate of good standing for each Seller from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware;

(xxii) their written agreement to treat the Relevant Transactions and the other transactions contemplated by this Agreement in accordance with Purchaser's determination in **Section 6.16**;

(xxiii) payoff letters and related Encumbrance-release documentation (including, if applicable, UCC-3 termination statements), each in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by the holders of the secured Indebtedness; and

(xxiv) all books and records of Sellers described in Section 2.2(a)(xiv).

(d) The UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement shall have been ratified by the membership, shall have been assumed by the applicable Sellers and assigned to Purchaser, and shall be in full force and effect.

(e) The UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement shall have been executed and delivered by the UAW and shall have been approved by the Bankruptcy Court as part of the Sale Approval Order.

(f) The Canadian Operations Continuation Agreement shall have been executed and delivered by the parties thereto in the form previously distributed among them.

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*Section 7.3 Conditions to Obligations of Sellers.* The obligations of Sellers to consummate the transactions contemplated by this Agreement are subject to the fulfillment or written waiver, prior to or at the Closing, of each of the following conditions; provided, however, that in no event may Sellers waive the conditions contained in **Section 7.3(h)** or **Section 7.3(i)**:

(a) Each of the representations and warranties of Purchaser contained in **ARTICLE V** of this Agreement shall be true and correct (disregarding for the purpose of such determination any qualification as to materiality or Purchaser Material Adverse Effect) as of the Closing Date as if made on such date (except for representations and warranties that speak as of a specific date or time, which representations and warranties shall be true and correct only as of such date or time), except to the extent that any breaches of such representations and warranties, individually or in the aggregate, have not had, or would not reasonably be expected to have, a Purchaser Material Adverse Effect.

(b) Purchaser shall have performed or complied in all material respects with all agreements and obligations required by this Agreement to be performed or complied with by it prior to or at the Closing.

(c) Purchaser shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Sellers:

(i) Parent Warrant A (including the related warrant agreement), duly executed by Purchaser;

(ii) Parent Warrant B (including the related warrant agreement), duly executed by Purchaser;

(iii) a certificate executed as of the Closing Date by a duly authorized representative of Purchaser, on behalf of Purchaser and not in such authorized representative's individual capacity, certifying that the conditions set forth in **Section 7.3(a)** and **Section 7.3(b)** are satisfied;

(iv) stock certificates evidencing the Parent Shares, duly endorsed in blank or accompanied by stock powers duly endorsed in blank, in proper form for transfer, including any required stamps affixed thereto;

(v) the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser;

(vi) the Bill of Sale, together with all other documents described in **Section 7.2(c)(iv)**, each duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(vii) the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, together with all other documents described in **Section 7.2(c)(v)**, each duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(viii) the Novation Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

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(ix) the Government Related Subcontract Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiary;

(x) the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xi) the Transition Services Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xii) the Transfer Tax Forms, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries, to the extent required;

(xiii) the Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases, together with all other documents described in **Section 7.2(c)(xii)**, each duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xiv) the Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xv) the Master Lease Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xvi) [Reserved];

(xvii) the Subdivision Master Lease, if required, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xviii) any easement agreements required under **Section 6.27(c)**, duly executed by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries;

(xix) a certificate of a duly authorized representative of Purchaser (A) certifying that attached to such certificate are true and complete copies of (1) Purchaser's Organizational Documents, each as amended through and in effect on the Closing Date and (2) resolutions of the board of directors of Purchaser, authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the Ancillary Agreements to which Purchaser is a party, the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and such Ancillary Agreements and the matters set forth in **Section 6.16(g)**, and (B) certifying as to the incumbency of the officer(s) of Purchaser is a party; and

(xx) a certificate of good standing for Purchaser from the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

(d) [Reserved]

(e) Purchaser shall have filed a certificate of designation for the Preferred Stock, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit Y**, with the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware.

(f) Purchaser shall have offset the UST Credit Bid Amount against the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries owed to Purchaser as of the Closing under the UST Credit Facilities pursuant to a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid and delivered releases and waivers and related Encumbrance-release documentation (including, if applicable, UCC-3 termination statements) with respect to the UST Credit Bid Amount, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by Purchaser in accordance with the applicable requirements in effect on the date hereof, (iii) transferred to Sellers the UST Warrant and (iv) issued to Parent, in accordance with instructions provided by Parent, the Purchaser Shares and the Parent Warrants (duly executed by Purchaser).

(g) Purchaser shall have delivered, or caused to be delivered, to Canada, Sponsor and/or the New VEBA, as applicable:

(i) certificates representing the Canada Shares, the Sponsor Shares and the VEBA Shares in accordance with the applicable equity subscription agreements in effect on the date hereof;

(ii) the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser;

(iii) the VEBA Warrant (including the related warrant agreement), duly executed by Purchaser; and

(iv) a note, in form and substance consistent with the terms set forth on **Exhibit Z** attached hereto, to the New VEBA (the "<u>VEBA Note</u>").

(h) The UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement shall have been ratified by the membership, shall have been assumed by Purchaser, and shall be in full force and effect.

(i) The UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement shall have been executed and delivered, shall be in full force and effect, and shall have been approved by the Bankruptcy Court as part of the Sale Approval Order.

# ARTICLE VIII TERMINATION

*Section 8.1 Termination.* This Agreement may be terminated, and the transactions contemplated hereby may be abandoned, at any time prior to the Closing Date as follows:

(a) by the mutual written consent of Sellers and Purchaser;

(b) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if (i) the Closing shall not have occurred on or before August 15, 2009, or such later date as the Parties may agree in writing, such date not to be later than September 15, 2009 (as extended, the "<u>End Date</u>"), and (ii) the Party seeking to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(b)** shall not have breached in any material respect its obligations under this Agreement in any manner that shall have proximately caused the failure of the transactions contemplated hereby to close on or before such date;

(c) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if the Bankruptcy Court shall not have entered the Sale Approval Order by July 10, 2009;

(d) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if any court of competent jurisdiction in the United States or other United States Governmental Authority shall have issued a Final Order permanently restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting the transactions contemplated by this Agreement or the sale of a material portion of the Purchased Assets;

(e) by Sellers, if Purchaser shall have breached or failed to perform in any material respect any of its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements contained in this Agreement, and such breach or failure to perform has not been cured by the End Date, <u>provided</u> that (i) Sellers shall have given Purchaser written notice, delivered at least thirty (30) days prior to such termination, stating Sellers' intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(e)** and the basis for such termination and (ii) Sellers shall not have the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(e)** if Sellers are then in material breach of any its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements set forth herein;

(f) by Purchaser, if Sellers shall have breached or failed to perform in any material respect any of its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements contained in this Agreement, which breach or failure to perform (i) would (if it occurred or was continuing as of the Closing Date) give rise to the failure of a condition set forth in **Section 7.2(a)** or **Section 7.2(b)** to be fulfilled, (ii) cannot be cured by the End Date, <u>provided</u> that (i) Purchaser shall have given Sellers written notice, delivered at least thirty (30) days prior to such termination, stating Purchaser's intention to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this **Section 8.1(f)** and the basis for such termination and (iii) Purchaser is then in material breach of any its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements set forth herein; or

(g) by either Sellers or Purchaser, if the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered an Order approving an Alternative Transaction.

# Section 8.2 Procedure and Effect of Termination.

(a) If this Agreement is terminated pursuant to **Section 8.1**, this Agreement shall become null and void and have no effect, and all obligations of the Parties hereunder shall terminate, except for those obligations of the Parties set forth this **Section 8.2** and **ARTICLE IX**, which shall remain in full force and effect; provided that nothing

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herein shall relieve any Party from Liability for any material breach of any of its representations, warranties, covenants or other agreements set forth herein. If this Agreement is terminated as provided herein, all filings, applications and other submissions made pursuant to this Agreement shall, to the extent practicable, be withdrawn from the agency or other Person to which they were made.

(b) If this Agreement is terminated by Sellers or Purchaser pursuant to **Section 8.1(a)** through **Section 8.1(d)** or **Section 8.1(g)** or by Purchaser pursuant to **Section 8.1(f)**, Sellers, severally and not jointly, shall reimburse Purchaser for its reasonable, out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred by Purchaser in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (the "<u>Purchaser Expense Reimbursement</u>"). The Purchaser Expense Reimbursement shall be paid as an administrative expense Claim of Sellers pursuant to Section 503(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code.

(c) Except as expressly provided for in this **Section 8.2**, any termination of this Agreement pursuant to **Section 8.1** shall be without Liability to Purchaser or Sellers, including any Liability by Sellers to Purchaser for any break-up fee, termination fee, expense reimbursement or other compensation as a result of a termination of this Agreement.

(d) If this Agreement is terminated for any reason, Purchaser shall, and shall cause each of its Affiliates and Representatives to, treat and hold as confidential all Confidential Information, whether documentary, electronic or oral, labeled or otherwise identified as confidential, and regardless of the form of communication or the manner in which it was furnished. For purposes of this **Section 8.2(d)**, Confidential Information shall be deemed not to include any information that (i) is now available to or is hereafter disclosed in a manner making it available to the general public, in each case, through no act or omission of Purchaser, any of its Affiliates or any of their Representatives, or (ii) is required by Law to be disclosed.

# ARTICLE IX MISCELLANEOUS

Section 9.1 Survival of Representations, Warranties, Covenants and Agreements and Consequences of Certain Breaches. The representations and warranties of the Parties contained in this Agreement shall be extinguished by and shall not survive the Closing, and no Claims may be asserted in respect of, and no Party shall have any Liability for any breach of, the representations and warranties. All covenants and agreements contained in this Agreement, including those covenants and agreements set forth in **ARTICLE II** and **ARTICLE VI**, shall survive the Closing indefinitely.

Section 9.2 Notices. Any notice, request, instruction, consent, document or other communication required or permitted to be given under this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given or served for all purposes (a) upon delivery when personally delivered; (b) on the delivery date after having been sent by a nationally or internationally recognized overnight courier service (charges prepaid); (c) at the time received

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when sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid; or (d) at the time when confirmation of successful transmission is received (or the first Business Day following such receipt if the date of such receipt is not a Business Day) if sent by facsimile, in each case, to the recipient at the address or facsimile number, as applicable, indicated below:

If to any Seller:	General Motors Corporation 300 Renaissance Center Tower 300, 25th Floor, Room D55 M/C 482-C25-D81 Detroit, Michigan 48265-3000 Attn: General Counsel Tel.: 313-667-3450 Facsimile: 248-267-4584
With copies to:	Jenner & Block LLP 330 North Wabash Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60611-7603 Attn: Joseph P. Gromacki Michael T. Wolf Tel.: 312-222-9350 Facsimile: 312-527-0484 and
	Weil Gotshal & Manges LLP 767 Fifth Avenue New York, New York 10153 Attn: Harvey R. Miller Stephen Karotkin Raymond Gietz Tel.: 212-310-8000 Facsimile: 212-310-8007
If to Purchaser:	NGMCO, Inc. c/o The United States Department of the Treasury 1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington D.C. 20220 Attn: Chief Counsel Office of Financial Stability Facsimile: 202-927-9225

With a copy to:	Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP
	One World Financial Center
	New York, New York 10281
	Attn: John J. Rapisardi
	R. Ronald Hopkinson
	Tel.: 212-504-6000
	Facsimile: 212-504-6666

<u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, if any Party shall have designated a different addressee and/or contact information by notice in accordance with this **Section 9.2**, then to the last addressee as so designated.

Section 9.3 Fees and Expenses; No Right of Setoff. Except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, including Section 8.2(b), Purchaser, on the one hand, and each Seller, on the other hand, shall bear its own fees, costs and expenses, including fees and disbursements of counsel, financial advisors, investment bankers, accountants and other agents and representatives, incurred in connection with the negotiation and execution of this Agreement and each Ancillary Agreement and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby. In furtherance of the foregoing, Purchaser shall be solely responsible for (a) all expenses incurred by it in connection with its due diligence review of Sellers and their respective businesses, including surveys, title work, title inspections, title searches, environmental testing or inspections, building inspections, Uniform Commercial Code lien and other searches and (b) any cost (including any filing fees) incurred by it in connection with notarization, registration or recording of this Agreement or an Ancillary Agreement required by applicable Law. No Party nor any of its Affiliates shall have any right of holdback or setoff or assert any Claim or defense with respect to any amounts that may be owed by such Party or its Affiliates to any other Party (or Parties) hereto or its or their Affiliates as a result of and with respect to any amount that may be owing to such Party or its Affiliates under this Agreement, any Ancillary Agreement or any other commercial arrangement entered into in between or among such Parties and/or their respective Affiliates.

*Section 9.4 Bulk Sales Laws.* Each Party hereto waives compliance by the other Parties with any applicable bulk sales Law.

Section 9.5 Assignment. Neither this Agreement nor any of the rights, interests or obligations provided by this Agreement may be assigned or delegated by any Party (whether by operation of law or otherwise) without the prior written consent of the other Parties, and any such assignment or delegation without such prior written consent shall be null and void; provided, however, that, without the consent of Sellers, Purchaser may assign or direct the transfer on its behalf on or prior to the Closing of all, or any portion, of its rights to purchase, accept and acquire the Purchased Assets and its obligations to assume and thereafter pay or perform as and when due, or otherwise discharge, the Assumed Liabilities, to Holding Company or one or more newly-formed, direct or indirect, wholly-owned Subsidiaries of Holding Company or Purchaser; provided, further, that no such assignment or delegation shall relieve Purchaser of any of its obligations under this Agreement. Subject to the preceding sentence and except as otherwise hereto and their respective successors and permitted assigns.

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*Section 9.6 Amendment.* This Agreement may not be amended, modified or supplemented except upon the execution and delivery of a written agreement executed by a duly authorized representative or officer of each of the Parties.

Section 9.7 Waiver. At any time prior to the Closing, each Party may (a) extend the time for the performance of any of the obligations or other acts of the other Parties; (b) waive any inaccuracies in the representations and warranties contained in this Agreement or in any document delivered pursuant hereto; or (c) waive compliance with any of the agreements or conditions contained herein (to the extent permitted by Law). Any such waiver or extension by a Party (i) shall be valid only if, and to the extent, set forth in a written instrument signed by a duly authorized representative or officer of the Party to be bound and (ii) shall not constitute, or be construed as, a continuing waiver of such provision, or a waiver of any other breach of, or failure to comply with, any other provision of this Agreement. The failure in any one or more instances of a Party to insist upon performance of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement, to exercise any right or privilege in this Agreement conferred, or the waiver by said Party of any breach of any of the terms, covenants or conditions of this Agreement shall not be construed as a subsequent waiver of, or estoppel with respect to, any other terms, covenants, conditions, rights or privileges, but the same will continue and remain in full force and effect as if no such forbearance or waiver had occurred.

Section 9.8 Severability. Whenever possible, each term and provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable Law. If any term or provision of this Agreement, or the application thereof to any Person or any circumstance, is held to be illegal, invalid or unenforceable, (a) a suitable and equitable provision shall be substituted therefore in order to carry out, so far as may be legal, valid and enforceable, the intent and purpose of such illegal, invalid or unenforceable provision and (b) the remainder of this Agreement or such term or provision and the application of such term or provision to other Persons or circumstances shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be affected by such illegality, invalidity or unenforceability, nor shall such invalidity or unenforceability affect the legality, validity or enforceability of such term or provision, or the application thereof, in any jurisdiction.

Section 9.9 Counterparts; Facsimiles. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. All signatures of the Parties may be transmitted by facsimile or electronic delivery, and each such facsimile signature or electronic delivery signature (including a pdf signature) will, for all purposes, be deemed to be the original signature of the Party whose signature it reproduces and be binding upon such Party.

*Section 9.10 Headings.* The descriptive headings of the Articles, Sections and paragraphs of, and Schedules and Exhibits to, this Agreement, and the table of contents, table of Exhibits and table of Schedules contained in this Agreement, are included for convenience only, do not constitute a part of this Agreement and shall not be deemed to limit, modify or affect any of the provisions hereof.

Section 9.11 Parties in Interest. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure solely to the benefit of each Party hereto and their respective permitted successors and

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assigns; <u>provided</u>, that (a) for all purposes each of Sponsor, the New VEBA, and Canada shall be express third-party beneficiaries of this Agreement and (b) for purposes of Section 2.2(a)(x) and (xvi), Section 2.2(b)(vii), Section 2.3(a)(x), (xii), (xiii) and (xv), Section 2.3(b)(xv), Section 4.6(b), Section 4.10, Section 5.4(c), Section 6.2(b)(x), (xv) and (xvii), Section 6.4(a), Section 6.4(b), Section 6.6(a), (d), (f) and (g), Section 6.11(c)(i) and (vi), Section 6.17, Section 7.1(a) and (f), Section 7.2(d) and (e) and Section 7.3(g), (h) and (i), the UAW shall be an express third-party beneficiary of this Agreement. Subject to the preceding sentence, nothing express or implied in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed to confer upon or give to any Person, other than the Parties, their Affiliates and their respective permitted successors or assigns, any legal or equitable Claims, benefits, rights or remedies of any nature whatsoever under or by reason of this Agreement.

Section 9.12 Governing Law. The construction, interpretation and other matters arising out of or in connection with this Agreement (whether arising in contract, tort, equity or otherwise) shall in all respects be governed by and construed (a) to the extent applicable, in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, and (b) to the extent the Bankruptcy Code is not applicable, in accordance with the Laws of the State of New York, without giving effect to rules governing the conflict of laws.

Section 9.13 Venue and Retention of Jurisdiction. Each Party irrevocably and unconditionally submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy Court for any litigation arising out of or in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (and agrees not to commence any litigation relating thereto except in the Bankruptcy Court, other than actions in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce any judgment, decree or award rendered by any such court as described herein); <u>provided, however</u>, that this **Section 9.13** shall not be applicable in the event the Bankruptcy Cases have closed, in which case the Parties irrevocably and unconditionally submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the federal courts in the Southern District of New York and state courts of the State of New York located in the Borough of Manhattan in the City of New York for any litigation arising out of or in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby (and agree not to commence any litigation relating thereto except in the federal courts in the Southern District of New York and state courts of the State of New York located in the Borough of Manhattan in the City of New York, other than actions in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce any judgment, decree or award rendered by any such court as described herein).

Section 9.14 Waiver of Jury Trial. EACH PARTY WAIVES THE RIGHT TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY DISPUTE IN CONNECTION WITH OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT OR ANY MATTERS DESCRIBED OR CONTEMPLATED HEREIN, AND AGREES TO TAKE ANY AND ALL ACTION NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE TO EFFECT SUCH WAIVER.

Section 9.15 Risk of Loss. Prior to the Closing, all risk of loss, damage or destruction to all or any part of the Purchased Assets shall be borne exclusively by Sellers.

Section 9.16 Enforcement of Agreement. The Parties agree that irreparable damage would occur in the event that any provision of this Agreement were not performed in accordance with its specific terms or were otherwise breached. It is accordingly agreed that the

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Parties shall, without the posting of a bond, be entitled, subject to a determination by a court of competent jurisdiction, to an injunction or injunctions to prevent any such failure of performance under, or breaches of, this Agreement, and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions hereof and thereof, this being in addition to all other remedies available at law or in equity, and each Party agrees that it will not oppose the granting of such relief on the basis that the requesting Party has an adequate remedy at law.

Section 9.17 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (together with the Ancillary Agreements, the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule and the Exhibits) contains the final, exclusive and entire agreement and understanding of the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and thereof and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous agreements and understandings, whether written or oral, among the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof. Neither this Agreement nor any Ancillary Agreement shall be deemed to contain or imply any restriction, covenant, representation, warranty, agreement or undertaking of any Party with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby other than those expressly set forth herein or therein, and none shall be deemed to exist or be inferred with respect to the subject matter hereof.

Section 9.18 Publicity. Prior to the first public announcement of this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby, Sellers, on the one hand, and Purchaser, on the other hand, shall consult with each other regarding, and share with each other copies of, their respective communications plans, including draft press releases and related materials, with regard to such announcement. Neither Sellers nor Purchaser shall issue any press release or public announcement concerning this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby without obtaining the prior written approval of the other Party or Parties, as applicable, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned or delayed, unless, in the sole judgment of the Party intending to make such release, disclosure is otherwise required by applicable Law, or by the Bankruptcy Court with respect to filings to be made with the Bankruptcy Court in connection with this Agreement or by the applicable rules of any stock exchange on which Purchaser or Sellers list securities; provided, that the Party intending to make such release shall use reasonable best efforts consistent with such applicable Law or Bankruptcy Court requirement to consult with the other Party or Parties, as applicable, with respect to the text thereof; provided, further, that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this section, no Party shall be prohibited from publishing, disseminating or otherwise making public, without the prior written approval of the other Party or Parties, as applicable, any materials that are derived from or consistent with the materials included in the communications plan referred to above. In an effort to coordinate consistent communications, the Parties shall agree upon procedures relating to all press releases and public announcements concerning this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby.

Section 9.19 No Successor or Transferee Liability. Except where expressly prohibited under applicable Law or otherwise expressly ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, upon the Closing, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates or stockholders shall be deemed to (a) be the successor of Sellers; (b) have, de facto, or otherwise, merged with or into Sellers; (c) be a mere continuation or substantial continuation of Sellers or the enterprise(s) of Sellers; or (d) other than as set forth in this Agreement, be liable for any acts or omissions of Sellers in the conduct of Sellers' business or arising under or related to the Purchased Assets. Without limiting

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the generality of the foregoing, and except as otherwise provided in this Agreement, neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates or stockholders shall be liable for any Claims against Sellers or any of their predecessors or Affiliates, and neither Purchaser nor any of its Affiliates or stockholders shall have any successor, transferee or vicarious Liability of any kind or character whether known or unknown as of the Closing, whether now existing or hereafter arising, or whether fixed or contingent, with respect to Sellers' business or any obligations of Sellers arising prior to the Closing, except as provided in this Agreement, including Liabilities on account of any Taxes arising, accruing, or payable under, out of, in connection with, or in any way relating to the operation of Sellers' business prior to the Closing.

Section 9.20 Time Periods. Unless otherwise specified in this Agreement, an action required under this Agreement to be taken within a certain number of days or any other time period specified herein shall be taken within the applicable number of calendar days (and not Business Days); <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that if the last day for taking such action falls on a day that is not a Business Day, the period during which such action may be taken shall be automatically extended to the next Business Day.

Section 9.21 Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. The representations and warranties of Sellers set forth in this Agreement are made and given subject to the disclosures contained in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. Inclusion of information in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall not be construed as an admission that such information is material to the business, operations or condition of the business of Sellers, the Purchased Assets or the Assumed Liabilities, taken in part or as a whole, or as an admission of Liability of any Seller to any third party. The specific disclosures set forth in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule have been organized to correspond to Section references in this Agreement to which the disclosure may be most likely to relate; provided, however, that any disclosure in the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule shall apply to, and shall be deemed to be disclosed for, any other Section of this Agreement to the extent the relevance of such disclosure to such other Section is reasonably apparent on its face.

Section 9.22 No Binding Effect. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, no provision of this Agreement shall (i) be binding on or create any obligation on the part of Sponsor, the United States Government or any branch, agency or political subdivision thereof (a "Sponsor Affiliate") or the Government of Canada, or any crown corporation, agency or department thereof (a "Canada Affiliate") or (ii) require Purchaser to initiate any Claim or other action against Sponsor or any Sponsor Affiliate or otherwise attempt to cause Sponsor, any Sponsor Affiliate, Government of Canada or any Canada Affiliate to comply with or abide by the terms of this Agreement. No facts, materials or other information received or action taken by any Person who is an officer, director or agent of Purchaser by virtue of such Person's affiliation with or employment by Sponsor, any Sponsor Affiliate, Government of Canada or any Canada Affiliate shall be attributed to Purchaser for purposes of this Agreement or shall form the basis of any claim against such Person in their individual capacity.

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## FIRST AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS FIRST AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated as of June 30, 2009 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), is made by and among General Motors Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>Parent</u>"), Saturn LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>S LLC</u>"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>S Distribution</u>"), Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Harlem</u>," and collectively with Parent, S LLC and S Distribution, "<u>Sellers</u>," and each a "<u>Seller</u>"), and NGMCO, Inc., a Delaware corporation and successor-in-interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Purchaser</u>").

WHEREAS, Sellers and Purchaser have entered into that certain Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2009 (the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>"); and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Purchase Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. *Capitalized Terms.* All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 2. Amendments to Purchase Agreement.

(a) Section 2.3(a)(v) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

all Liabilities of Sellers (A) arising in the Ordinary Course (v) of Business during the Bankruptcy Cases through and including the Closing Date, to the extent such Liabilities are administrative expenses of Sellers' estates pursuant to Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and (B) arising prior to the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases, to the extent approved by the Bankruptcy Court for payment by Sellers pursuant to a Final Order (and for the avoidance of doubt, Sellers' Liabilities in clauses (A) and (B) above include all of Sellers' Liabilities for personal property Taxes, real estate and/or other ad valorem Taxes, use Taxes, sales Taxes, franchise Taxes, income Taxes, gross receipt Taxes, excise Taxes, Michigan Business Taxes and Michigan Single Business Taxes and other Liabilities mentioned in the Bankruptcy Court's Order - Docket No. 174), in each case, other than (1) Liabilities of the type described in Section 2.3(b)(iv), Section 2.3(b)(vi), Section 2.3(b)(ix) and Section 2.3(b)(xii), (2) Liabilities arising under any dealer sales and service Contract and any Contract related thereto, to the extent such Contract has been designated as

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a Rejectable Executory Contract, and (3) Liabilities otherwise assumed in this **Section 2.3(a)**;

(b) Section 2.3(a)(ix) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(ix) all Liabilities to third parties for death, personal injury, or other injury to Persons or damage to property caused by motor vehicles designed for operation on public roadways or by the component parts of such motor vehicles and, in each case, manufactured, sold or delivered by Sellers (collectively, "<u>Product Liabilities</u>"), which arise directly out of death, personal injury or other injury to Persons or damage to property caused by accidents or incidents first occurring on or after the Closing Date and arising from such motor vehicles' operation or performance (for avoidance of doubt, Purchaser shall not assume, or become liable to pay, perform or discharge, any Liability arising or contended to arise by reason of exposure to materials utilized in the assembly or fabrication of motor vehicles manufactured by Sellers and delivered prior to the Closing Date, including asbestos, silicates or fluids, regardless of when such alleged exposure occurs);

(c) Section 2.3(b)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all workers' compensation Claims with respect to Employees residing or employed in, as the case may be and as defined by applicable Law, (A) the states set forth on **Exhibit G** and (B) if the State of Michigan (1) fails to authorize Purchaser and its Affiliates operating within the State of Michigan to be a self-insurer for purposes of administering workers' compensation Claims or (2) requires Purchaser and its Affiliates operating within the State of Michigan to post collateral, bonds or other forms of security to secure workers' compensation Claims, the State of Michigan (collectively, "Retained Workers' Compensation Claims");

(d) Section 6.6(d) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(d) All Assumable Executory Contracts shall be assumed and assigned to Purchaser on the date (the "<u>Assumption Effective Date</u>") that is the later of (i) the date designated by the Purchaser and (ii) the date following expiration of the objection deadline if no objection, other than to the Cure Amount, has been timely filed or the date of resolution of any objection unrelated to Cure Amount, as provided in the Sale Procedures Order; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that in the case of each (A) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, (2) Deferred Termination Agreement (and the related Discontinued Brand Dealer Agreement or Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement)

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designated as an Assumable Executory Contract and (3) Participation Agreement (and the related Continuing Brand Dealer Agreement) designated as an Assumable Executory Contract, the Assumption Effective Date shall be the Closing Date and (B) Assumable Executory Contract identified on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, the Assumption Effective Date shall be a date that is no later than the date set forth with respect to such Executory Contract on Section 6.6(a)(ii) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule. As soon as reasonably practicable following a determination that an Executory Contract shall be designated as an Assumable Executory Contract hereunder, Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to notify each third party to such Executory Contract of their intention to assume and assign such Executory Contract in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Sale Procedures Order. On the Assumption Effective Date for any Assumable Executory Contract, such Assumable Executory Contract shall be deemed to be a Purchased Contract hereunder. If it is determined under the procedures set forth in the Sale Procedures Order that Sellers may not assume and assign to Purchaser any Assumable Executory Contract, such Executory Contract shall cease to be an Assumable Executory Contract and shall be an Excluded Contract and a Rejectable Executory Contract. Except as provided in Section 6.31, notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, any Executory Contract that has not been specifically designated as an Assumable Executory Contract as of the Executory Contract Designation Deadline applicable to such Executory Contract, including any Deferred Executory Contract, shall automatically be deemed to be a Rejectable Executory Contract and an Excluded Contract hereunder. Sellers shall have the right, but not the obligation, to reject, at any time, any Rejectable Executory Contract; provided, however, that Sellers shall not reject any Contract that affects both Owned Real Property and Excluded Real Property (whether designated on Exhibit F or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule), including any such Executory Contract that involves the provision of water, water treatment, electric, fuel, gas, telephone and other utilities to any facilities located at the Excluded Real Property, whether designated on Exhibit F or now or hereafter designated on Section 2.2(b)(v) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule (the "Shared Executory Contracts"), without the prior written consent of Purchaser.

*Section 3. Effectiveness of Amendment.* Upon the execution and delivery hereof, the Purchase Agreement shall thereupon be deemed to be amended and restated as set forth in <u>Section 2</u>, as fully and with the same effect as if such amendments and restatements were originally set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 4. Ratification of Purchase Agreement; Incorporation by Reference. Except as specifically provided for in this Amendment, the Purchase Agreement is hereby confirmed and ratified in all respects and shall be and remain in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. This Amendment is subject to all of the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Purchase Agreement, including **Article IX** thereof, which sections are hereby incorporated into this Amendment, mutatis mutandis, as if they were set forth in their entirety herein.

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## SECOND AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT

THIS SECOND AMENDMENT TO AMENDED AND RESTATED MASTER SALE AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT, dated as of July 5, 2009 (this "<u>Amendment</u>"), is made by and among General Motors Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>Parent</u>"), Saturn LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>S LLC</u>"), Saturn Distribution Corporation, a Delaware corporation ("<u>S Distribution</u>"), Chevrolet-Saturn of Harlem, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("<u>Harlem</u>," and collectively with Parent, S LLC and S Distribution, "<u>Sellers</u>," and each a "<u>Seller</u>"), and NGMCO, Inc., a Delaware corporation and successor-in-interest to Vehicle Acquisition Holdings LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("<u>Purchaser</u>").

WHEREAS, Sellers and Purchaser have entered into that certain Amended and Restated Master Sale and Purchase Agreement, dated as of June 26, 2009 (as amended, the "<u>Purchase Agreement</u>");

WHEREAS, Sellers and Purchaser have entered into that certain First Amendment to Amended and Restated Master and Purchase Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Parties desire to amend the Purchase Agreement as set forth herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual agreements contained in this Agreement, and for other good and valuable consideration, the value, receipt and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

Section 1. *Capitalized Terms*. All capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings specified in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 2. Amendments to Purchase Agreement.

(a) The following new definition of "Advanced Technology Credits" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Advanced Technology Credits</u>" has the meaning set forth in Section 6.36.

(b) The following new definition of "Advanced Technology Projects" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Advanced Technology Projects</u>" means development, design, engineering and production of advanced technology vehicles and components, including the vehicles known as "the Volt", "the Cruze" and components, transmissions and systems for vehicles employing hybrid technologies.

(c) The definition of "Ancillary Agreements" is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

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"Ancillary Agreements" means the Parent Warrants, the UAW Active Labor Modifications, the UAW Retiree Settlement Agreement, the VEBA Warrant, the Equity Registration Rights Agreement, the Bill of Sale, the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, the Intellectual Property Assignment Agreement, the Transition Services Agreement, the Quitclaim Deeds, the Assignment and Assumption of Real Property Leases, the Assignment and Assumption of Harlem Lease, the Master Lease Agreement, the Subdivision Master Lease (if required), the Saginaw Service Contracts (if required), the Assignment and Assumption of Willow Run Lease, the Ren Cen Lease, the VEBA Note and each other agreement or document executed by the Parties pursuant to this Agreement or any of the foregoing and each certificate and other document to be delivered by the Parties pursuant to **ARTICLE VII**.

(d) The following new definition of "Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 3.2(c)(i)**.

(e) The definition of "Permitted Encumbrances" is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

"Permitted Encumbrances" means all (i) purchase money security interests arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (ii) security interests relating to progress payments created or arising pursuant to government Contracts in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iii) security interests relating to vendor tooling arising in the Ordinary Course of Business; (iv) Encumbrances that have been or may be created by or with the written consent of Purchaser; (v) mechanic's, materialmen's, laborer's, workmen's, repairmen's, carrier's liens and other similar Encumbrances arising by operation of law or statute in the Ordinary Course of Business for amounts that are not delinquent or that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings; (vi) liens for Taxes, the validity or amount of which is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, and statutory liens for current Taxes not yet due, payable or delinquent (or which may be paid without interest or penalties); (vii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Owned Real Property, other than Secured Real Property Encumbrances at and following the Closing: (a) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use of the affected property; (b) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways abutting or adjacent to the applicable Owned Real Property; (c) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Owned Real Property, which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with the present use

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of the applicable Owned Real Property; and (d) such other Encumbrances, the existence of which, individually or in the aggregate, would not materially and adversely interfere with or affect the present use or occupancy of the applicable Owned Real Property; (viii) with respect to the Transferred Real Property that is Leased Real Property: (1) matters that a current ALTA/ACSM survey, or a similar cadastral survey in any country other than the United States, would disclose; (2) rights of the public, any Governmental Authority and adjoining property owners in streets and highways abutting or adjacent to the applicable Leased Real Property; (3) easements, licenses, rights-of-way, covenants, servitudes, restrictions, encroachments, site plans, subdivision plans and other Encumbrances of public record or that would be disclosed by a current title commitment of the applicable Leased Real Property or which have otherwise been imposed on such property by landlords; (ix) in the case of the Transferred Equity Interests, all restrictions and obligations contained in any Organizational Document, joint venture agreement, shareholders agreement, voting agreement and related documents and agreements, in each case, affecting the Transferred Equity Interests; (x) except to the extent otherwise agreed to in the Ratification Agreement entered into by Sellers and GMAC on June 1, 2009 and approved by the Bankruptcy Court on the date thereof or any other written agreement between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller, all Claims (in each case solely to the extent such Claims constitute Encumbrances) and Encumbrances in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries in, upon or with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest, including any of the following: (1) cash, deposits, certificates of deposit, deposit accounts, escrow funds, surety bonds, letters of credit and similar agreements and instruments; (2) owned or leased equipment; (3) owned or leased real property; (4) motor vehicles, inventory, equipment, statements of origin, certificates of title, accounts, chattel paper, general intangibles, documents and instruments of dealers, including property of dealers in-transit to, surrendered or returned by or repossessed from dealers or otherwise in any Seller's possession or under its control; (5) property securing obligations of Sellers under derivatives Contracts; (6) rights or property with respect to which a Claim or Encumbrance in favor of GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries is disclosed in any filing made by Parent with the SEC (including any filed exhibit); and (7) supporting obligations, insurance rights and Claims against third parties relating to the foregoing; and (xi) all rights of setoff and/or recoupment that are Encumbrances in favor of GMAC and/or its Subsidiaries against amounts owed to Sellers and/or any of their Subsidiaries with respect to any property of Sellers or in which Sellers have an interest as more fully described in clause (x) above; it being understood that nothing in this clause (xi) or preceding clause (x) shall be deemed to modify, amend or otherwise change any agreement as between GMAC or any of its Subsidiaries and any Seller.

(f) The following new definition of "Purchaser Escrow Funds" is hereby included in **Section 1.1** of the Purchase Agreement:

"<u>Purchaser Escrow Funds</u>" has the meaning set forth in **Section 2.2(a)(xx)**.

(g) Section 2.2(a)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all credits, Advanced Technology Credits, deferred charges, prepaid expenses, deposits, advances, warranties, rights, guarantees, surety bonds, letters of credit, trust arrangements and other similar financial arrangements, in each case, relating to the Purchased Assets or Assumed Liabilities, including all warranties, rights and guarantees (whether express or implied) made by suppliers, manufacturers, contractors and other third parties under or in connection with the Purchased Contracts;

(h) **Section 2.2(a)(xviii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xviii) any rights of any Seller, Subsidiary of any Seller or Seller Group member to any Tax refunds, credits or abatements that relate to any Pre-Closing Tax Period or Straddle Period;

(i) Section 2.2(a)(xix) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xix) any interest in Excluded Insurance Policies, only to the extent such interest relates to any Purchased Asset or Assumed Liability; and

(j) A new **Section 2.2(a)(xx)** is hereby added to the Purchase Agreement to read as follows:

(xx) all cash and cash equivalents, including all marketable securities, held in (1) escrow pursuant to, or as contemplated by that certain letter agreement dated as of June 30, 2009, by and between Parent, Citicorp USA, Inc., as Bank Representative, and Citibank, N.A., as Escrow Agent or (2) any escrow established in contemplation or for the purpose of the Closing, that would otherwise constitute a Purchased Asset pursuant to **Section 2.2(a)(i)** (collectively, "<u>Purchaser Escrow Funds</u>");

(k) **Section 2.2(b)(i)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(i) cash or cash equivalents in an amount equal to \$1,175,000,000 (the "<u>Excluded Cash</u>");

(l) **Section 2.2(b)(ii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(ii) all Restricted Cash exclusively relating to the Excluded Assets or Retained Liabilities, which for the avoidance of doubt, shall not be deemed to include Purchaser Escrow Funds;

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(m) **Section 2.3(a)(viii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(viii) all Liabilities arising under any Environmental Law (A) relating to the Transferred Real Property, other than those Liabilities described in **Section 2.3(b)(iv)**, (B) resulting from Purchaser's ownership or operation of the Transferred Real Property after the Closing or (C) relating to Purchaser's failure to comply with Environmental Laws after the Closing;

(n) Section 2.3(a)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all Liabilities (A) specifically assumed by Purchaser pursuant to **Section 6.17** or (B) arising out of, relating to or in connection with the salaries and/or wages and vacation of all Transferred Employees that are accrued and unpaid (or with respect to vacation, unused) as of the Closing Date;

(o) **Section 2.3(b)(iv)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(iv) all Liabilities (A) associated with noncompliance with Environmental Laws (including for fines, penalties, damages and remedies); (B) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with the transportation, off-site storage or off-site disposal of any Hazardous Materials generated or located at any Transferred Real Property; (C) arising out of, relating to, in respect of or in connection with third party Claims related to Hazardous Materials that were or are located at or that were Released into the Environment from Transferred Real Property prior to the Closing, except as otherwise required under applicable Environmental Laws; (D) arising under Environmental Laws related to the Excluded Real Property, except as provided under Section 18.2(e) of the Master Lease Agreement or as provided under the "Facility Idling Process" section of Schedule A of the Transition Services Agreement; or (E) for environmental Liabilities with respect to real property formerly owned, operated or leased by Sellers (as of the Closing), which, in the case of clauses (A), (B) and (C), arose prior to or at the Closing, and which, in the case of clause (D) and (E), arise prior to, at or after the Closing;

(p) Section 2.3(b)(xii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(xii) all workers' compensation Claims with respect to Employees residing or employed in, as the case may be and as defined by applicable Law, the states set forth on <u>Exhibit G</u> (collectively, "<u>Retained Workers' Compensation</u> <u>Claims</u>");

(q) Section 3.2(a) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

of:

(a) The purchase price (the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") shall be equal to the sum

(i) a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid in an amount equal to: (A) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing pursuant to the UST Credit Facilities, and (B) the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries as of the Closing under the DIP Facility, <u>less</u> \$8,247,488,605 of Indebtedness under the DIP Facility (such amount, the "<u>UST Credit Bid Amount</u>");

(ii) the UST Warrant (which the Parties agree has a value of no less than \$1,000);

(iii) the valid issuance by Purchaser to Parent of (A) 50,000,000 shares of Common Stock (collectively, the "<u>Parent Shares</u>") and (B) the Parent Warrants; and

(iv) the assumption by Purchaser or its designated Subsidiaries of the Assumed Liabilities.

For the avoidance of doubt, immediately following the Closing, the only indebtedness for borrowed money (or any guarantees thereof) of Sellers and their Subsidiaries to Sponsor, Canada and Export Development Canada is amounts under the Wind Down Facility.

(r) Section 3.2(c) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

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Sellers may, at any time, seek an Order of the Bankruptcy (i) Court (the "Claims Estimate Order"), which Order may be the Order confirming Sellers' Chapter 11 plan, estimating the aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates. If in the Claims Estimate Order, the Bankruptcy Court makes a finding that the estimated aggregate allowed general unsecured claims against Sellers' estates exceed \$35,000,000,000, then Purchaser will, within five (5) Business Days of entry of the Claims Estimate Order, issue additional shares of Common Stock (the "Adjustment Shares") to Parent, as an adjustment to the Purchase Price, based on the extent by which such estimated aggregate general unsecured claims exceed \$35,000,000,000 (such amount, the "Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount;" in the event this amount exceeds \$7,000,000,000 the Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount will be reduced to a cap of \$7,000,000,000). The number of Adjustment Shares to be issued will be equal to the number of shares, rounded up to the next whole share, calculated by multiplying (i) 10,000,000 shares of Common Stock (adjusted to take into account any stock dividend, stock split, combination of shares, recapitalization, merger, consolidation, reorganization or similar transaction with respect to the

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Common Stock, effected from and after the Closing and before issuance of the Adjustment Shares) and (ii) a fraction, (A) the numerator of which is Excess Estimated Unsecured Claim Amount (capped at \$7,000,000,000) and (B) the denominator of which is \$7,000,000,000.

(ii) At the Closing, Purchaser will have authorized and, thereafter, will reserve for issuance the maximum number of shares of Common Stock issuable as Adjustment Shares.

(s) **Section 6.9(b)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(b) Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to agree with Sponsor on the terms of a restructuring of \$1,175,000,000 of Indebtedness accrued under the DIP Facility (as restructured, the "<u>Wind Down Facility</u>") to provide for such Wind Down Facility to be non-recourse, to accrue payment-in-kind interest at the Eurodollar Rate (as defined in the Wind-Down Facility) plus 300 basis points, to be secured by all assets of Sellers (other than the Parent Shares, Adjustment Shares, Parent Warrants and any securities or proceeds received in respect thereof). Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to enter into definitive financing agreements with respect to the Wind Down Facility so that such agreements are in effect as promptly as practicable but in any event no later than the Closing.

(t) **Section 6.17(e)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

Assumption of Certain Parent Employee Benefit Plans and (e) Policies. As of the Closing Date, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall assume (i) the Parent Employee Benefit Plans and Policies set forth on Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule as modified thereon, and all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto, except for any that do not comply in all respects with TARP or as otherwise provided in Section 6.17(h) and (ii) all employee benefit plans, programs, policies, agreements or arrangements (whether written or oral) in which Employees who are covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement participate and all assets, trusts, insurance and other Contracts relating thereto (collectively, the "Assumed Plans"), and Sellers and Purchaser shall cooperate with each other to take all actions and execute and deliver all documents and furnish all notices necessary to establish Purchaser or one of its Affiliates as the sponsor of such Assumed Plans including all assets, trusts, insurance policies and other Contracts relating thereto. Other than with respect to any Employee who was or is covered by the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement, Purchaser shall have no Liability with respect to any modifications or changes to Benefit Plans contemplated by Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule, or changes made by Parent prior to the Closing Date, and Purchaser shall not assume any Liability with respect to any such decisions or actions related thereto, and Purchaser shall only assume the Liabilities for benefits provided pursuant to the written terms and conditions of

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the Assumed Plan as of the Closing Date. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the assumption of the Assumed Plans is subject to Purchaser taking all necessary action, including reduction of benefits, to ensure that the Assumed Plans comply in all respects with TARP. Notwithstanding the foregoing, but subject to the terms of any Collective Bargaining Agreement to which Purchaser or one of its Affiliates is a party, Purchaser and its Affiliates may, in its sole discretion, amend, suspend or terminate any such Assumed Plan at any time in accordance with its terms.

(u) A new Section 6.17(n) is hereby added to the Purchase Agreement to read as follows:

(n) Harlem Employees. With respect to non-UAW employees of Harlem, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates may make offers of employment to such individuals at its discretion. With respect to UAW-represented employees of Harlem and such other non-UAW employees who accept offers of employment with Purchaser or one of its Affiliates, in addition to obligations under the UAW Collective Bargaining Agreement with respect to UAW-represented employees, Purchaser shall assume all Liabilities arising out of, relating to or in connection with the salaries and/or wages and vacation of all such individuals that are accrued and unpaid (or with respect to vacation, unused) as of the Closing Date. With respect to non-UAW employees of Harlem who accept such offers of employment, Purchaser or one of its Affiliates shall take all actions necessary such that such individuals shall be credited for their actual and credited service with Sellers and each of their respective Affiliates, for purposes of eligibility, vesting and benefit accrual in any employee benefit plans (excluding equity compensation plans or programs) covering such individuals after the Closing; provided, however, that such crediting of service shall not operate to duplicate any benefit to any such individual or the funding for any such benefit. Purchaser or one of its Affiliates, in its sole discretion, may assume certain employee benefit plans maintained by Harlem by delivering written notice (which such notice shall indentify such employee benefit plans of Harlem to be assumed) to Sellers of such assumption on or before the Closing, and upon delivery of such notice, such employee benefit plans shall automatically be deemed to be set forth on Section 6.17(e) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedules. All such employee benefit plans that are assumed by Purchaser or one of its Affiliates pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be deemed to be Assumed Plans for purposes of this Agreement.

(v) A new **Section 6.36** is hereby added to the Purchase Agreement to read as follows:

Section 6.36 Advanced Technology Credits. The Parties agree that Purchaser shall, to the extent permissible by applicable Law (including all rules, regulations and policies pertaining to Advanced Technology Projects), be entitled to receive full credit for expenditures incurred by Sellers prior to the Closing towards Advanced Technology Projects for the purpose of any current or future program sponsored by a Governmental Authority providing financial assistance in connection with any such project, including any program pursuant to Section 136 of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 ("<u>Advanced Technology</u> <u>Credits</u>"), and acknowledge that the Purchase Price includes and represents consideration for the full value of such expenditures incurred by Sellers.

(w) Section 7.2(c)(vi) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(vi) [Reserved];

(x) Section 7.2(c)(vii) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(vii) [Reserved];

(y) **Section 7.3(c)(viii)** of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(viii) [Reserved];

(z) Section 7.3(c)(ix) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(ix) [*Reserved*];

(aa) Section 7.3(f) of the Purchase Agreement is hereby amended and restated in its entirety to read as follows:

(f) Purchaser shall have (i) offset the UST Credit Bid Amount against the amount of Indebtedness of Parent and its Subsidiaries owed to Purchaser as of the Closing under the UST Credit Facilities and the DIP Facility pursuant to a Bankruptcy Code Section 363(k) credit bid and delivered releases and waivers and related Encumbrance-release documentation (including, if applicable, UCC-3 termination statements) with respect to the UST Credit Bid Amount, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Parties and duly executed by Purchaser in accordance with the applicable requirements in effect on the date hereof, (ii) transferred to Sellers the UST Warrant and (iii) issued to Parent, in accordance with instructions provided by Parent, the Purchaser Shares and the Parent Warrants (duly executed by Purchaser).

(bb) **<u>Exhibit R</u>** to the Purchase Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety.

(cc) **Exhibit S** to the Purchase Agreement is hereby deleted in its entirety.

(dd) <u>**Exhibit** U</u> to the Purchase Agreement is hereby replaced in its entirety with <u>**Exhibit** U</u> attached hereto.

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(ee) <u>**Exhibit X**</u> to the Purchase Agreement is hereby replaced in its entirety with <u>**Exhibit X**</u> attached hereto.

(ff) Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is hereby replaced in its entirety with Section 2.2(b)(iv) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule attached hereto.

(gg) Section 4.4 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is hereby replaced in its entirety with Section 4.4 of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule attached hereto.

(hh) Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule is hereby replaced in its entirety with Section 6.6(a)(i) of the Sellers' Disclosure Schedule attached hereto.

Section 3. *Effectiveness of Amendment.* Upon the execution and delivery hereof, the Purchase Agreement shall thereupon be deemed to be amended and restated as set forth in <u>Section 2</u>, as fully and with the same effect as if such amendments and restatements were originally set forth in the Purchase Agreement.

Section 4. *Ratification of Purchase Agreement; Incorporation by Reference.* Except as specifically provided for in this Amendment, the Purchase Agreement is hereby confirmed and ratified in all respects and shall be and remain in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. This Amendment is subject to all of the terms, conditions and limitations set forth in the Purchase Agreement, including **Article IX** thereof, which sections are hereby incorporated into this Amendment, mutatis mutandis, as if they were set forth in their entirety herein.

Section 5. *Counterparts*. This Amendment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same agreement. All signatures of the Parties may be transmitted by facsimile or electronic delivery, and each such facsimile signature or electronic delivery signature (including a pdf signature) will, for all purposes, be deemed to be the original signature of the Party whose signature it reproduces and be binding upon such Party.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, each of the Parties hereto has caused this Amendment to be executed by its duly authorized officer, in each case as of the date first written above.

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By:

Name: Frederick A. Henderson Title: President and Chief Executive Officer

SATURN LLC

By:

Name: Jill Lajdziak Title: President

SATURN DISTRIBUTION CORPORATION

By:

Name: Jill Lajdziak Title: President

CHEVROLET-SATURN OF HARLEM, INC.

By:

Name: Michael Garrick Title: President

NGMCO, INC.

By:

Name: Sadiq Malik Title: Vice President and Treasurer

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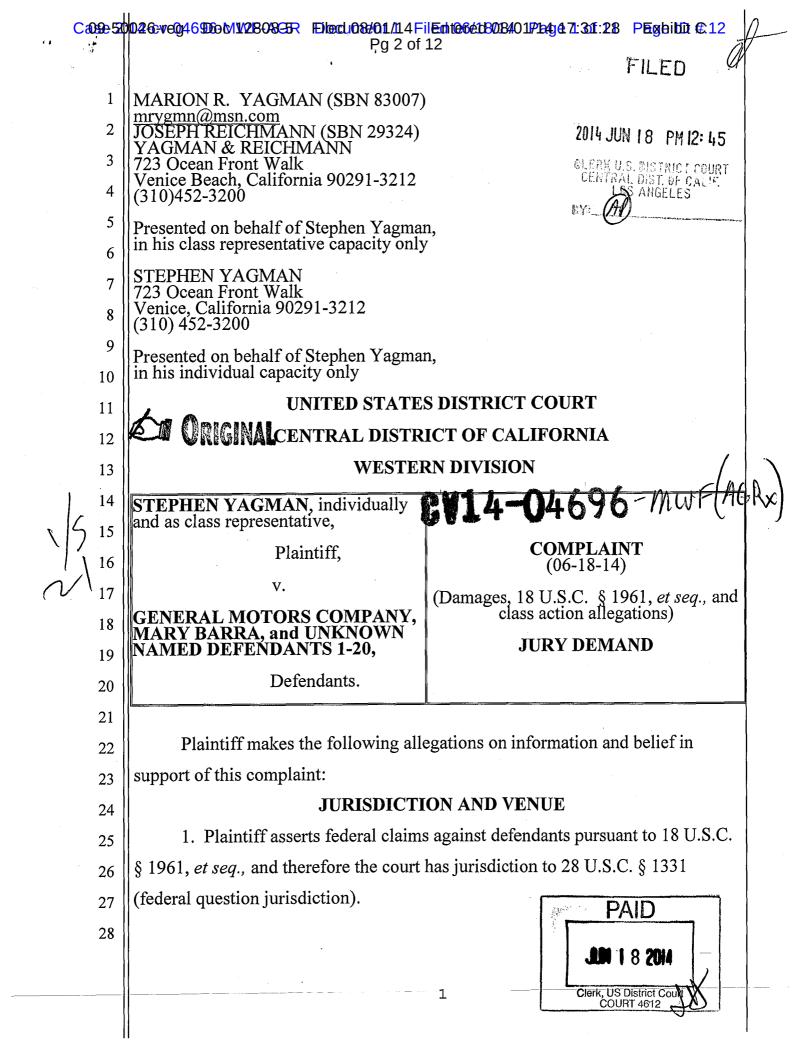
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Name: Sadiq Malik Title: Vice President and Treasurer

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# **Exhibit** C



1 2. Plaintiff and defendants are citizens of different states, to wit: plaintiff is 2 a citizen of New York, and defendants, each and all, are citizens of states other 3 than New York, including Delaware and Michigan (General Motors Company 4 (hereinafter "GM") of both States and Mary Barra (hereinafter "Barra") of 5 Michigan), therefore this court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332 6 (diversity jurisdiction), since the matter in controversy exceeds the sum or value of 7 \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs. Defendants systematically do business in California and the claims arose in California, and in the federal court Central 8 9 District of California.

GM is a corporation organized under the law of the State of Delaware with a
principal place of business in Detroit, Michigan, and Barra is a citizen of
Michigan.

Because defendants do business in California and all of the matters that are
the basis for this action occurred in Los Angeles County, therefore, venue lies in
the United States District Court for the Central District of California, and in its
Western Division, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391.

THE PARTIES

<sup>18</sup> 3. Plaintiff is STEPHEN YAGMAN (hereinafter "Yagman" or "plaintiff"),
 <sup>19</sup> who is a citizen of the United States of America and defendants are identified as
 <sup>20</sup> follows: GM is a designer, manufacturer, and assembler of automobiles, BARRA
 <sup>21</sup> is GM's president, and Unknown Named Defendants 1-20, are persons and/or
 <sup>22</sup> entities whose true names presently are unknown and who engaged in some
 <sup>23</sup> conduct that is culpable with respect to plaintiff, as set forth hereinbelow.

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## ALLEGATIONS COMMON TO EACH COUNT

4. Each and every allegation set forth in each and every averment of this
pleading hereby is incorporated by this reference in each and every other averment
and allegation of this pleading.

5. Plaintiff is an owner of a 2007 Buick Lucerne.

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6. The Lucerne has a defect that first became apparent in 2014 and which
 was latent until that time, to wit: its engine stopped running when it was in motion
 and plaintiff was operating it and there was a complete shutdown of its electrical
 system.

7. Plaintiff immediately took the vehicle to a qualified mechanic who was
unable to determine the cause of this failure and who billed plaintiff for diagnosis
and a possible repair.

8 8. Plaintiff thereafter took the vehicle to an authorized GM dealership, who
9 initially was unable to determine the cause of the failure, but who thereafter
10 determined that the cause of the failure was mechanical and who billed plaintiff
11 for diagnosis and possible repair.

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9. Thereafter, the engine again stopped running, plaintiff returned to the GM dealership, who did an additional repair, for which plaintiff was billed.

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11. Plaintiff now is an owner of a defective vehicle.

12. Defendant GM manufactured a defective vehicle.

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13. Defendant GM sold a defective vehicle.

14. Defendant GM knew the vehicle was defective at the time it was put
 into the stream of commerce for sale and was sold.

15. Defendant GM concealed and covered-up the defect in the vehicle, and
when the defect became known to GM it continued to deny the defect's existence.

# **COUNT 1**

16. In doing and failing to do the things hereinabove alleged, defendants
and each of them violated the warranty of merchantability and thereby damaged
plaintiff.

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## COUNT 2

17. In doing and failing to do the things hereinabove alleged, defendants violated the warranty of fitness for a particular use of their product.

## COUNT 3

18. By manufacturing, marketing, putting into the stream of commerce, and causing to be sold the subject vehicle and representing the vehicle as being fit for its intended purpose, defendant GM made material misrepresentations on which it intended the public and purchasers of its vehicles to rely and on which the buyers of the vehicle, including plaintiff, relied to their detriment and were damaged, and GM thereby committed fraud and mail fraud.

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## **COUNT 4**

42. The defendants constitute an enterprise, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. 1961(4), and GM is a RICO enterprise.

43. As regards the dealings alleged in the instant action, all defendants together are an enterprise, within the meaning of 18 U.S.C. § 1961(4).

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44. The activities of all defendants affect interstate commerce.

45. Defendants received income, directly and/or indirectly, by way of, *inter alia*, salary, compensation, reimbursement for expenses, *per diem* costs
reimbursements, meals, lodging, and/or travel, from the pattern of racketeering
activity alleged herein and used that income in the acquisition of an interest in
and/or operation of the enterprise, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1962(a), and acquired
and/or maintained control over said racketeering enterprise through a pattern of
racketeering activities, as set forth herein, in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1962(b).

46. Defendants, being associated with said enterprise, conducted and/or
participated in said enterprise's affairs through a pattern of racketeering activities,
in violation of 18 U.S.C. 1962(c).

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47. The pattern of racketeering activities included a continuous pattern and practice potentially involving activities, including any potential civil RICO predicates, set forth in the RICO predicate statutes, including extortion and civil rights violations.

48. On information and belief, the enterprises' activities have occurred on more than one occasion over the past 10 years and have been done on numerous occasions and constitute at least three acts.

49. The bad acts described in the matters enumerated hereinabove occurred over a significant period of time, and are related in that they evidence civil RICO predicates, including at least fraud, wire fraud, and mail fraud, and pose a threat of continued criminal activity, have the same or similar purposes, results, participants and kinds and categories of participants, victims, methods of commission, and are otherwise interrelated by their common characteristics and are not isolated events, and each and all constitute a continuing pattern of racketeering activity and constitute a long term threat of continuing racketeering activity.

50. These wrongful acts over a period of years and the bad acts alleged hereinabove enabled defendants to acquire and maintain, both directly and indirectly, interests in and control of the racketeering enterprises in which they all engage.

51. Defendants' activities led to their control and acquisition over their
enterprise and resulted in the injuries to plaintiff, as alleged herein, which resulted
from defendants' participation in and control of the enterprises.

52. By failing to prevent the wrongful conduct herein alleged, misconduct
that amounted to racketeering activities, all managerial and non-managerial
defendants engaged in and condoned racketeering activities.

53. The willful and/or negligent mismanagement of the enterprise for over
10 years, with knowledge by defendants charged with management and potentially

other defendants that it was and continues to be operated as a RICO enterprise,
 directly caused the harm to plaintiff, as alleged herein.

54. The acquisition of control of the enterprise by its participants who engaged in RICO predicate acts harmed plaintiff.

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55. The enterprise formed by the defendants herein is an enterprise because it has an hierarchical structure and consensual structures for making decisions, and those structures have an existence beyond that which is necessary to commit the RICO predicate acts alleged herein, in that the hierarchical and consensual structures exist to accomplish doing business, and the structures for decisionmaking exist separate and apart from the racketeering activities.

56. Plaintiff was harmed in that his property, to wit, his vehicle, was subjected to, affected by, and its value affected negatively by fraud.

57. Both directly and indirectly, defendants in the acts and instances alleged
herein, and others, have conducted the RICO enterprise's affairs and have, as a
matter of fact, participated in the operation and *de facto* management of the RICO
enterprise.

58. By the conduct alleged herein, each defendant participated in the
operation and management of the RICO enterprise himself and herself and played
some part in directing its affairs.

59. Plaintiff was injured in his property by reason of the conduct against
him, as set forth hereinabove.

60. Plaintiff has suffered a material diminishment in the value of his
property, to wit, his vehicle because it is defective and its value is diminished by
the defect(s).

26 61. Defendants unlawfully have engaged in the racketeering activities set
27 forth in the preceding averments and, on information and belief, on numerous
28 occasions, during the past 10 years and before that, through a pattern of

racketeering activity, and have acquired, directly and indirectly, control of the
 named enterprise.

62. Defendants, who either are officers, officials, are employed by or who
are associated with the racketeering enterprise, have conducted that enterprise
through a pattern of racketeering activity, as set forth hereinabove.

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63. Through a pattern of racketeering activities, as set forth hereinabove, defendants, and each of them, acquired and/or maintained, directly and/or indirectly, interests in and/or control of the RICO enterprise and their activities by, among other things, their own aggrandizement that flows therefrom.

64. By virtue of the allegations set forth hereinabove, some defendants were or are employed by, all defendants were or are associated with, and all defendants participated in, directly and/or indirectly, the RICO enterprise.

65. Defendants unlawfully have conspired, as set forth hereinabove, to violate the provisions of 18 U.S.C. 1962(b), (c), and (d), and, on information and belief, continued to do so with the aid and assistance of co-conspirators

66. Plaintiff was injured in his property by reason thereof, and plaintiff is
entitled to damages, to be trebled.

#### **CLASS ACTION ALLEGATIONS**

67. Plaintiff is a member of, and represents, a class whose defining
characteristics are: persons who own Buick Lucerne model years 2006 to 2011.
68.-69. Reserved.

70. The class contains over 100 members, and so numerous so that joinder
of all members would be impracticable, and also, because only defendants know
the names of all of the members of class, and defendants and are the only persons
who have information sufficient to identify all the members of class, it is
impracticable to join all the members of the class in this action.

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71. As to the class, there are only common questions of fact and law with 1 2 respect to the class and all of its members.

72. The claims made by the representative party, the plaintiff, is typical and 3 4 is the same as the claims of each of the class members.

5 73. The representatives of the class fairly will represent and adequately 6 protect the interests of all class members, and will do so both vigorously and 7 zealously.

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74. Prosecution of separate actions by individual class members would create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications with respect to class members, which would establish incompatible standards for parties opposing the class, and defendants have acted and will continue to act on grounds generally applicable to every class member, and the class questions not only predominate but are the only questions that exist.

75. Therefore, this action is maintainable under F.R. Civ. P. Rule 23(a), & (b)(1)(A),(B)(1),(2), and (3).

76. Presently, it is not possible accurately to measure the size of the class.

77. The nature of the notice to be provided to class members should be as 18 follows: defendants should be required to identify and to provide a suitable notice 19 to all class members, so that all class members will have notice that there is a class 20 to which they may belong and which provides them an opportunity to opt-out of any of the class. 22

78. Each defendant acted or failed to act with malice, ill-will, recklessly, 23 and/or oppressively and therefore is liable for punitive damages. 24

WHEREFORE, plaintiff requests relief against defendants, and each of 25 them, as follows: 26

1. General damages to be determined in a sum exceeding \$75,000.00, 27 exclusive of interest and costs; 28

C 2099 50 026 2 veg46 90 0 M 128 0 8 2 5 Ellect 108 / 01 / 14 Fil Entre 6 et 808 / 01 / 128 0 Eg bibit € 20 Pg 10 of 12 2. Punitive damages to be measured by defendants' net worth or profits; 3. The trebling of damages for the RICO violations; 4. Costs of suit; 5. Attorneys' fees; 6. Interest; and, 7. Such other relief as is just and proper. STE JURY DEMAND Plaintiff demands trial by jury of all issues. STE 

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Plaintiff Anna Andrews, individually and as class representative on behalf of 1 2 all similarly situated persons and the general public, brings this action against 3 Defendant General Motors LLC ("Defendant" or "GM") and alleges as follows: 4 I. **INTRODUCTION** 5 1. GM led the world and US consumers to believe that after bankruptcy it 6 was a new company. GM repeatedly proclaimed that it was a company committed to 7 innovation, safety, and maintaining a strong brand, as in its 2012 Annual Report: 8 9 10 11 12 13 nan & Chief Executive Of he 2014 Godilloc CTS 14 TO OUR STOCKHOLDERS: 15 Last year, I closed my letter to you by 16 talking about how GM was changing 17 its processes and culture in order to build the best vehicles in the world 18 much more efficiently and profitably. 19 This year, I want to pick up where I left 20 off, and articulate what success looks like for you as stockholders, and for 21 everyone else who depends on us.» 22 23 General Motors Company 2012 ANNUAL REPORT 24 2. GM was successful. Sales of all its models went up and GM became 25 profitable. A new GM was born and the GM brand once again stood strong in the 26 eyes of consumers – or so the world thought. 27 28

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3. GM's image was an illusion. This case arises from GM's egregious failure to disclose, and the affirmative concealment of, at least 35 separate known defects in GM-branded vehicles. By concealing the existence of the many known defects plaguing many models and years of GM-branded vehicles and the fact that GM values cost-cutting over safety, and concurrently marketing the GM brand as "safe" and "reliable," and claiming that it built the "world's best vehicles," GM enticed Plaintiff and all GM vehicle purchasers to buy vehicles that have now diminished in value as the truth about the GM brand has come out, and a stigma has attached to all GM-branded vehicles.

4. A vehicle made by a reputable manufacturer of safe and reliable vehicles is worth more than an otherwise similar vehicle made by a disreputable manufacturer that is known to devalue safety and to conceal serious defects from consumers and regulators. GM Vehicle Safety Chief, Jeff Boyer, recently stated that: "Nothing is more important than the safety of our customers in the vehicles they drive." Yet GM failed to live up to this commitment, instead choosing to conceal at least 35 serious defects in over 17 million GM-branded vehicles sold in the United States, and the value of all GM vehicles has diminished as a result of the widespread publication of those defects, GM's concealment of those defects, and a seemingly never-ending series of recalls in the first half of 2014.

5. The systematic concealment of known defects was deliberate, as GM followed a consistent pattern of endless "investigation" and delay each time it became aware of a given defect. In fact, recently revealed documents show that GM valued cost-cutting over safety, trained its personnel to *never* use the word "defect," "stall," or other words suggesting that any GM-branded vehicles are defective, routinely chose the cheapest part supplier without regard to safety, and discouraged employees from acting to address safety issues.

6. Under the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act ("TREAD Act")<sup>1</sup> and its accompanying regulations, when a manufacturer learns that a vehicle contains a safety defect, the manufacturer must promptly disclose the defect.<sup>2</sup> If it is determined that the vehicle is defective, the manufacturer may be required to notify vehicle owners, purchasers, and dealers of the defect, and may be required to remedy the defect.<sup>3</sup>

7. In the Purchase Agreement through which it acquired Old GM's assets, GM *explicitly assumed* the responsibilities to report safety defects with respect to the vehicles sold by Old GM as required by the TREAD ACT.

8. When a manufacturer with TREAD Act responsibilities is aware of safety defects and fails to disclose them as GM has done, that manufacturer's vehicles are not safe. And when that manufacturer markets and sells its new vehicles by touting that its vehicles are "safe," as GM has also done, that manufacturer is engaging in deception.

9. GM has recently been forced to disclose that it had been concealing a staggering and unprecedented number of known safety defects in GM-branded vehicles ever since its inception in 2009, and other defects arose on its watch apparently due in large measure to GM's focus on cost-cutting over safety, its discouragement of raising safety issues and its training of employees to avoid using language such as "stalls," "defect" or "safety issue" in order to avoid attracting the attention of regulators. As a result, GM has been forced to recall over 17 million vehicles in some 40 recalls covering 35 separate defects during the first five and one-half months of this year – 25% more recalls than in a normal complete year and almost 20 times more than during the same period in 2013. The cumulative negative

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- <sup>3</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).

effect on the value of the vehicles sold by GM has been both foreseeable and
 significant.

10. The array of defects is astounding and includes: (1) ignition switch defect, (2) power steering defect, (3) airbag defect (4) brake light defect, (5) shift cable defect, (6) safety belt defect, (7) ignition lock cylinder defect, (8) key design defect, (9) ignition key defect, (10) transmission oil cooler line defect, (11) power management mode software defect, (12) substandard front passenger airbags, (13) light control module defect, (14) front axle shaft defect, (15) brake boost defect, (16) low-beam headlight defect, (17) vacuum line brake booster defect, (18) fuel gauge defect, (19) acceleration defect, (20) flexible flat cable airbag defect, (21) windshield wiper defect, (22) brake rotor defect, (23) passenger-side airbag defect, (24) electronic stability control defect, (25) steering tie-rod defect, (26) automatic transmission shift cable adjuster, (27) fuse block defect, (28) diesel transfer pump defect, (29) base radio defect, (30) shorting bar defect, (31) front passenger airbag end cap defect, (32) sensing and diagnostic module ("SDM") defect, (33) sonic turbine shaft, (34) electrical system defect, and (35) seatbelt tensioning system defect.

11. GM has received reports of crashes and injuries that put GM on notice of the serious safety issues presented by many of these defects. Given the continuity of engineers, corporate counsel, and other key personnel from Old GM to GM, GM was aware of the now infamous ignition switch defect (and many other serious defects in numerous models of GM-branded vehicles) *from the very date of its inception on July 10, 2009*.

12. Yet, despite the dangerous nature of many of the defects and their effects on critical safety systems, GM concealed the existence of the defects and failed to begin to remedy the problems from the date of its inception until this year.

13. In February and March of 2014, GM issued three recalls for a combined total of 2.19 million vehicles with a dangerous ignition switch defect that causes

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vehicles to shut down during ordinary driving conditions, causing stalls, the loss of power-steering and power-brakes, and the non-deployment of airbags in the event of a collision. GM knew about this defect for years before it was finally forced to act to remedy this highly dangerous defect that has led to at least 13 deaths – and probably many more.

14. GM's now highly publicized campaign of deception in connection with the ignition switch defect sent shockwaves throughout the country, and jump-started the ever-burgeoning erosion of consumer confidence in the GM brand.

15. On May 16, 2014, GM entered a Consent Order with NHTSA in which it admitted that it violated the TREAD Act by not disclosing the ignition switch defect, and agreed to pay the maximum available civil penalties for its violations.

16. Unfortunately for all owners of vehicles sold by GM, the ignition switch defect was only one of a seemingly never-ending parade of recalls in the first half of 2014 – many concerning safety defects that had been long known to GM.

17. Between 2003 and 2010, over 1.3 million GM-branded vehicles were sold in the United States with a safety defect that causes the vehicle's electric power steering ("EPS") to suddenly fail during ordinary driving conditions and revert back to manual steering, requiring greater effort by the driver to steer the vehicle and increasing the risk of collisions and injuries (the "power steering defect").

18. As with the ignition switch defect, GM was aware of the power steering defect from the date of its inception, and concealed the defect for years.

19. From 2007 until at least 2013, nearly 1.2 million GM-branded vehicles were sold in the United States with defective wiring harnesses. Increased resistance in the wiring harnesses of driver and passenger seat-mounted, side-impact air bag ("SIAB") in the affected vehicles may cause the SIABs, front center airbags, and seat belt pretensioners to not deploy in a crash (the "airbag defect"). The vehicles' failure to deploy airbags and pretensioners in a crash increases the risk of injury and death to the drivers and front-seat passengers.

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21. To take just one more example, between 2003 and 2012, some 2.4 million GM-branded vehicles were sold in the United States with a wiring harness defect that could cause brake lamps to fail to illuminate when the brakes are applied or cause them to illuminate when the brakes are not engaged (the "brake light defect"). The same defect could also disable traction control, electronic stability control, and panic braking assist operations. Though GM received hundreds of complaints and was aware of at least 13 crashes caused by this defect, it waited until May 2014 before finally ordering a full recall.

22. GM's CEO, Mary Barra, has admitted in a video message that: "Something went wrong with our process..., and terrible things happened." But that admission is cold comfort for Plaintiff and the Class, whose vehicles have diminished in value as a result of GM's deception.

23. This case arises from GM's breach of its obligations and duties to its customers to make truthful and full disclosures concerning its vehicles – particularly, the safety and reliability of its vehicles and the importance of safety to the Company. GM's false representations of the safety and reliability of its vehicles, and its concealment of a plethora of known safety defects plaguing its vehicles and its brand, caused Plaintiff and the Class to purchase GM vehicles under false pretenses.

24. From its inception in 2009, GM has known of many of the defects that exist in over 17 million GM-branded vehicles sold in the United States. But to maintain and boost consumer confidence in the brand in order to sell vehicles, and to avoid remediation costs and negative publicity that would hurt sales, GM concealed the defects and encouraged unsuspecting car purchasers to buy its vehicles. All the while, GM touted its vehicles as "safe" and "reliable," and claimed to be a responsible manufacturer that valued safety and stood behind its vehicles after they are sold.

Plaintiff brings this action for a Class of all persons in the United States 25. who either (i) own or lease a new or used GM-branded vehicle sold between July 10, 2009, and April 1, 2014 (the "Affected Vehicles"), or (ii) sold an Affected Vehicle at a diminished price on or after April 1, 2014. Excluded from the Class are owners and lessors of model year 2005-2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, 2005-2011 Chevrolet HHRs, 2007-2010 Pontiac G5s, 2003-2007 Saturn Ions, and 2007-2010 Saturn Skys, whose vehicles were recalled for an ignition switch defect.

26. In addition to her nationwide class claim against GM for fraudulent concealment, Plaintiff also brings claims against GM under the laws of the State of California, for a Class of California residents who either (i) own or lease one or more of the Affected Vehicles, or (ii) sold an Affected Vehicle on or after April 1, 2014.

Plaintiff and the Class have been damaged by GM's misrepresentations, 12 27. 13 concealment, and non-disclosure of the numerous defects plaguing over 17 million 14 GM-branded vehicles. Now that the truth is emerging, and consumers are aware that GM concealed known safety defects in many models and years of its vehicles, and 16 that the Company de-valued safety and systemically encouraged its employees to conceal serious defects, the entire brand is greatly tarnished as it is clear that the Company is untrustworthy and does not stand behind its vehicles. The value of the Affected Vehicles has therefore greatly diminished because of GM's failure to timely 20 disclose and remedy the many serious defects in GM-branded vehicles. For example, the 2010 and the 2011 Chevrolet Camaro have both seen a diminished value between February 2014, the pre-brand damage to reputation period, of \$2,000, after the truth of GM's safety and culture was exposed. The 2009 Pontiac Solstice has diminished 24 \$2,900 during the same time. GM's egregious and widely publicized conduct and the never-ending and piecemeal nature of GM's recalls has so tarnished the Affected Vehicles that no reasonable consumer would have paid the price they did when the 26 GM brand meant safety and success.

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#### JURISDICTION AND VENUE II.

28. This Court has diversity jurisdiction over this action under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a) and (d) because the amount in controversy for the Class exceeds \$5,000,000, and Plaintiff and other Class members are citizens of a different state than Defendant.

29. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Plaintiff because Plaintiff submits to the Court's jurisdiction. This Court has personal jurisdiction over GM because GM conducts substantial business in this District, and some of the actions giving rise to the complaint took place in this District.

30. Venue is proper in this District under 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because GM, as a corporation, is deemed to reside in any judicial district in which it is subject to personal jurisdiction. Additionally, GM transacts business within the District, and some of the events establishing the claims arose in this District.

#### III. PARTIES

31. Plaintiff and proposed Nationwide and California State Class Representative Anna Andrews is a resident and citizen of La Quinta, CA. She purchased a used 2010 Buick LaCrosse in Cathedral City, CA on August 25, 2011. Ms. Andrews purchased her LaCrosse in part because she wanted a safely designed and manufactured vehicle. She further believed that GM was a reputable manufacturer of safe and reliable vehicles, and that the Company stands behind its vehicles once they are on the road. Plaintiff did not learn of the many defects in GMbranded vehicles until shortly before filing this lawsuit. Had GM disclosed the many defects in GM-branded vehicles, Plaintiff would either not have purchased her LaCrosse, or would have paid less than she did.

Defendant General Motors LLC ("GM") is a Delaware limited liability 32. company with its principal place of business located at 300 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan, and is a citizen of the States of Delaware and Michigan. The sole member and owner of General Motors LLC is General Motors Holding LLC.

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1	General Motors Holdings LLC is a Delaware limited liability company with its
2	principal place of business in the State of Michigan. The sole member and owner of
3	General Motors Holdings LLC is General Motors Company. General Motors
4	Company is a Delaware Corporation, which has its principal place of business in the
5	State of Michigan, and is a citizen of the States of Delaware and Michigan. GM was
6	incorporated in 2009 and, effective on July 10, 2009, acquired substantially all assets
7	and assumed certain liabilities of General Motors Corporation through a Section 363
8	sale under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.
9	33. Among the liabilities and obligations expressly assumed by GM are the
10	following:
11	From and after the Closing, Purchaser [GM] shall comply
12	with the certification, reporting and recall requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Act, the
13	Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act, the Clean Air Act, the California
14	Health and Safety Code, and similar laws, in each case, to
15	the extent applicable in respect of vehicles and vehicle parts manufactured or distributed by [Old GM].
16	IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS
17	A. GM Promoted All of its Vehicles as Safe, Reliable and High Quality
18	34. GM told consumers that it built the world's best vehicles:
19	We truly are building a new GM, from the inside out. Our
20	vision is clear: to design, build and sell the world's best vehicles, and we have a new business model to bring that
21	vision to life. We have a lower cost structure, a stronger balance sheet and a dramatically lower risk profile. We have
22	a new leadership team – a strong mix of executive talent
23	from outside the industry and automotive veterans – and a passionate, rejuvenated workforce.
24	"Our plan is to steadily invest in creating world-class
25	vehicles, which will continuously drive our cycle of great design, high quality and higher profitability."
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27	35. It represented that it was building vehicles with design excellence, quality, and performance:
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	And across the globe, other GM vehicles are gaining similar acclaim for design excellence, quality and performance, including the Holden Commodore in Australia. Chevrolet Agile in Brazil, Buick LaCrosse in China and many others. The company's progress is early evidence of a new business model that begins and ends with great vehicles. We are leveraging our global resources and scale to maintain stringent cost management while taking advantage of growth and revenue opportunities around the world, to ultimately deliver sustainable results for all of our shareholders.
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36. The theme below was repeated in advertisements, company literature, and material at dealerships as the core message about GM's Brand:

The new General Motors has one clear vision: to design, build and sell the world's best vehicles. Our new business model revolves around this vision, focusing on fewer brands, compelling vehicle design, innovative technology, improved manufacturing productivity and streamlined, more efficient inventory processes. The end result is products that delight customers and generate higher volumes and margins—and ultimately deliver more cash to invest in our future vehicles.

### A New Vision, a New Business Model

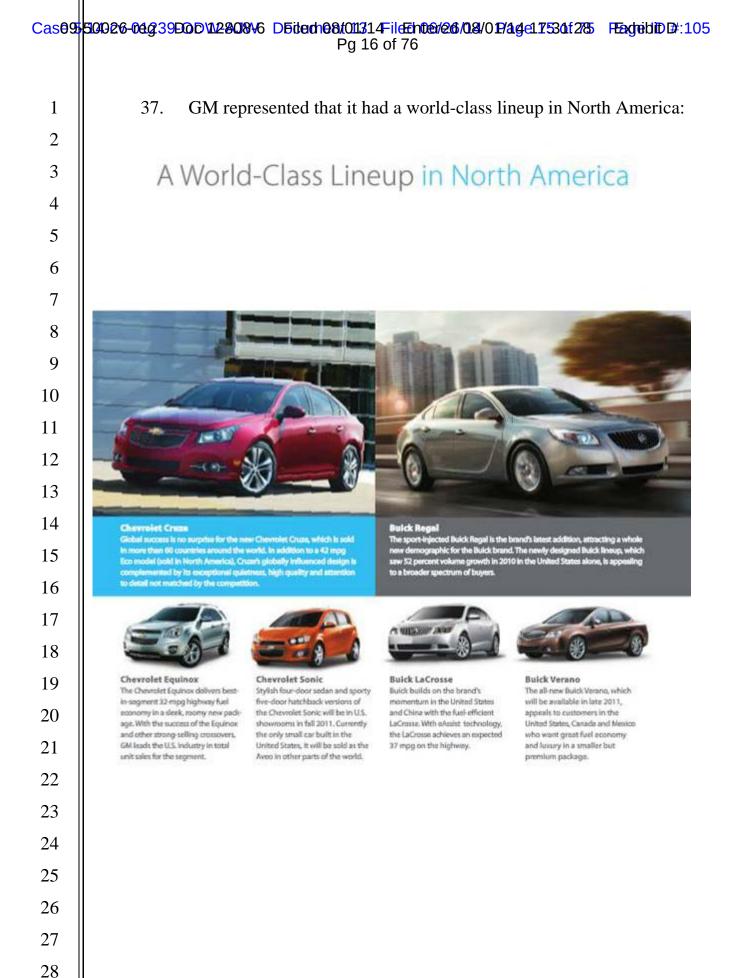
Our vision is simple, straightforward and clear; to design, build and sell the world's best vehicles. That doesn't mean just making our vehicles better than the ones they replace. We have set a higher standard for the new GM—and that means building the best.

Our vision comes to life in a continuous cycle that starts, ends and begins again with great vehicle designs. To accelerate the momentum we've already created, we reduced our North American portfolio from eight brands to four: Chevrolet, Buick, Cadillac and GMC. Worldwide, we're aggressively developing and leveraging global vehicle architectures to maximize our talent and resources and achieve optimum economies of scale.

Across our manufacturing operations, we have largely eliminated overcapacity in North America while making progress in Europe, and we're committed to managing inventory with a new level of discipline. By using our manufacturing capacity more efficiently and maintaining leaner vehicle inventories, we are reducing the need to offer sales incentives on our vehicles. These moves, combined with offering attractive, high-quality vehicles, are driving healthier margins—and at the same time building stronger brands.

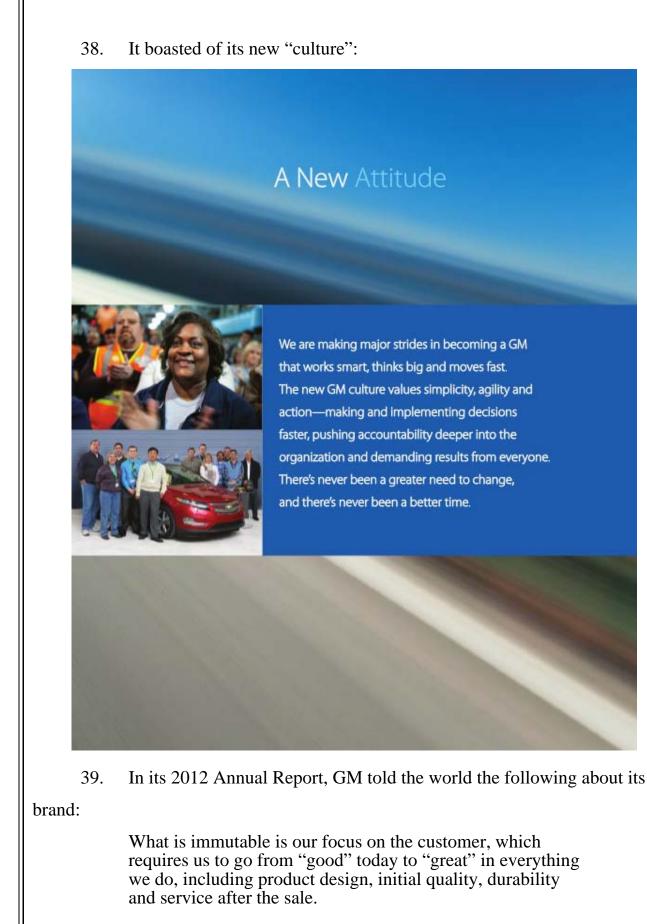
Our new business model creates a self-sustaining cycle of reinvestment that drives continuous improvement in vehicle design, manufacturing discipline, brand strength, pricing and margins, because we are now able to make money at the bottom as well as the top of the industry cycles.

We are seeing positive results already. In the United States, for example, Improved design, content and quality have resulted in solid gains In segment share, average transaction prices and projected residual values for the Chevrolet Equinox, Buick LaCrosse and Cadillac SRX. This is just the beginning.





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1	40.	GM also indicated it had changed its structure to create more
2	"accountab	ility" which, as shown below, was a blatant falsehood:
3		That work continues, and it has been complemented by
4 5		changes to our design and engineering organization that have flattened the structure and created more accountability for produce execution, profitability and customer
6		satisfaction.
7	41.	And GM represented that product quality was a key focus – another
	blatant false	ehood:
8 9		Product quality and long-term durability are two other areas that demand our unrelenting attention, even though we are
10		doing well on key measures.
11	42.	In its 2013 Letter to Stockholders, GM noted that its brand had grown in
12	value and the	hat it designed the "World's Best Vehicles":
13		Dear Stockholder:
14		Your company is on the move once again. While there were highs and lows in 2011, our overall report card shows
15 16		very solid marks, including record net income attributable to common stockholders of \$7.6 billion and EBIT-adjusted income of \$8.3 billion.
17		• GM's overall momentum, including a 13 percent
18		sales increase in the United States, created new jobs and drove investments. We have announced
19		investments in 29 U.S. facilities totaling more than
20		\$7.1 billion since July 2009, with more than 17,500 jobs created or retained.
21		Design, Build and Sell the World's Best Vehicles
22		This pillar is intended to keep the customer at the center of
23		everything we do, and success is pretty easy to define. It means creating vehicles that people desire, value and are
24		proud to own. When we get this right, it transforms our
25		reputation and the company's bottom line.
26		Strengthen Brand Value
27		Clarity of purpose and consistency of execution are the cornerstones of our product strategy, and two brands will
28		drive our global growth. They are Chevrolet, which
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1 2 3 4		embodies the qualities of value, reliability, performan expressive design; and Cadillac, which creates luxury vehicles that are provocative and powerful. At the sat time the Holden, Buick, GMC, Baojun, Opel and Vau brands are being carefully cultivated to satisfy as man customers as possible in select regions.	ne xhall
5 6 7 8 9 10		Each day the cultural change underway at GM becommore striking. The old internally focused, consensus- and overly complicated GM is being reinvented brick brick, by truly accountable executives who know how take calculated risks and lead global teams that are committed to building the best vehicles in the world a efficiently as we can. That's the crux of our plan. The plan is something we control. We like the results we're starting to see and	driven by to s e can
11 12	43.	going to stick to it – always. Once it emerged from bankruptcy, GM told the world	
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In advertisements and Company literature, GM consistently promoted all 1 44. 2 its vehicles as safe and reliable, and presented itself as a responsible manufacturer 3 that stands behind GM-branded vehicles after they are sold. For example, a radio ad that ran from GM's inception until July 16, 4 45. 5 2010, stated that "[a]t GM, building quality cars is the most important thing we can 6 do." 7 46. An online ad for "GM certified" used vehicles that ran from July 6, 2009, until April 5, 2010, stated that "GM certified means no worries." 8 9 47. GM's Chevrolet brand ran television ads in 2010 showing parents 10 bringing their newborn babies home from the hospital, with the tagline "[a]s long as 11 there are babies, there'll be Chevys to bring them home." 12 48. Another 2010 television ad informed consumers that "Chevrolet's 13 ingenuity and integrity remain strong, exploring new areas of design and power, while continuing to make some of the safest vehicles on earth." 14 An online national ad campaign for GM in April 2012 stressed "Safety. 15 49. 16 Utility. Performance." 17 50. A national print ad campaign in April 2013 states that "[w]hen lives are 18 on the line, you need a dependable vehicle you can rely on. Chevrolet and GM ... for power, performance and safety." 19 20 51. A December 2013 GM testimonial ad stated that "GM has been able to 21 deliver a quality product that satisfies my need for dignity and safety." 22 52. GM's website, GM.com, states: 23 Innovation: Quality & Safety; GM's Commitment to Safety; Quality and safety are at the top of the agenda at GM, as we 24 work on technology improvements in crash avoidance and crashworthiness to augment the post-event benefits of 25 OnStar, like advanced automatic crash notification. Understanding what you want and need from your vehicle 26 helps GM proactively design and test features that help keep 27 you safe and enjoy the drive. Our engineers thoroughly test our vehicles for durability, comfort and noise minimization 28

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11	<ul> <li>before you think about them. The same quality process ensures our safety technology performs when you need it.</li> <li>53. On February 25, 2014, GM North America President, Alan Batey,</li> <li>publically stated: "Ensuring our customers' safety is our first order of business. We are deeply sorry and we are working to address this issue as quickly as we can."</li> <li>54. GM made these and similar representations to boost vehicle sales while knowing that millions of GM-branded vehicles, across numerous models and years, were plagued with serious and concealed safety defects.</li> <li>55. Ever since its inception, GM possessed vastly superior knowledge and information to that of consumers – if not exclusive information – about the design and function of GM-branded vehicles and the existence of the defects in those vehicles.</li> <li>56. GM continues to make misleading safety and reliability claims in public</li> </ul>
12	statements, advertisements, and literature provided with its vehicles.
13 14	B. There Are Serious Safety Defects in Millions of GM Vehicles Across Many
14	Models and Years and, Until Recently, GM Concealed Them from Consumers
16	57. In the first five and one-half months of 2014, GM has already announced
17	some 40 recalls affecting over 17 million GM-branded vehicles from model years
18	2003-2014. The recalls concern 35 separate defects. The numbers of recalls and
19	serious safety defects are unprecedented, and can only lead to one conclusion: GM
20	and its predecessor sold a large number of unsafe vehicle models with myriad defects
21	during a long period of time.
22	58. Even more disturbingly, the available evidence shows a common pattern:
23	From its inception in 2009, GM knew about an ever-growing list of serious safety
24	defects in millions of GM-branded vehicles, but concealed them from consumers and
25	regulators in order to cut costs, boost sales, and avoid the cost and publicity of recalls.
26	59. GM inherited from Old GM a company that valued cost-cutting over
27	safety, actively discouraged its personnel from taking a "hard line" on safety issues,
28	avoided using "hot" words like "stall" that might attract the attention of NHTSA and
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suggest that a recall was required, and trained its employees to avoid the use of wordssuch as "defect" or "problem" that might flag the existence of a safety issue. GM didnothing to change these practices.

60. The Center for Auto Safety recently stated that it has identified 2,004 death and injury reports filed by GM with federal regulators in connection with vehicles that have recently been recalled.<sup>4</sup> Most or all of these deaths and injuries would have been avoided had GM complied with its TREAD Act obligations over the past five years.

61. The many defects concealed by GM affected key safety systems in GM vehicles, including the ignition, power steering, airbags, brake lights, gear shift systems, and seatbelts.

62. The available evidence shows a consistent pattern: GM learned about a particular defect and, often at the prodding of regulatory authorities, "investigated" the defect and decided upon a "root cause." GM then took minimal action – such as issuing a carefully worded "Technical Service Bulletin" to its dealers, or even recalling a very small number of the vehicles with the defect. All the while, the true nature and scope of the defects were kept under wraps, vehicles affected by the defects remained on the road, and GM enticed Class members to purchase its vehicles by touting the safety, quality, and reliability of its vehicles, and presenting itself as a manufacturer that stands behind its products.

63. The nine defects affecting the greatest number of vehicles are discussed in some detail below, and the remainder are summarized thereafter.

#### 1. The ignition switch defects.

64. The ignition switch defects can cause the vehicle's engine and electrical systems to shut off, disabling the power steering and power brakes and causing non-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Thousands of Accident Reports Filed Involving Recalled GM Cars: Report, Irvin Jackson (June 3, 2014).

deployment of the vehicle's airbag and the failure of the vehicle's seatbelt pretensioners in the event of a crash.

65. The ignition switch systems at issue are defective in at least three major respects. The first is that the switches are simply weak; because of a faulty "detent plunger," the switch can inadvertently move from the "run" to the "accessory" or "off" position. The second defect is that, due to the low position of the ignition switch, the driver's knee can easily bump the key (or the hanging fob below the key), and cause the switch to inadvertently move from the "run" to the "accessory" or "off" position. The third defect is that the airbags immediately become inoperable whenever the ignition switch moves from the "run" to the "accessory" position – even when the vehicle is travelling at highs speeds.

66. Vehicles with defective ignition switches are, therefore, unreasonably prone to be involved in accidents, and those accidents are unreasonably likely to result in serious bodily harm or death to the drivers and passengers of the vehicles.

67. Alarmingly, GM knew of the deadly ignition switch defects and their dangerous consequences from the date of its inception on July 10, 2009, but concealed its knowledge from consumers and regulators.

68. In part, GM's knowledge of the ignition switch defects arises from the fact that key personnel with knowledge of the defects remained in their same positions once GM took over from Old GM. For example, the Design Research Engineer who was responsible for the rollout of the defective ignition switch in 2003 was Ray DeGiorgio. Mr. DeGiorgio continued to serve as an engineer at GM until April 2014 when he was suspended as a result of his involvement in the defective ignition switch crisis. Later in 2014, in the wake of the GM Report,<sup>5</sup> Mr. DeGiorgio was fired.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> References to the "GM Report" are to the "*Report to Board of Directors of General Motors Company Regarding Ignition Switch Recalls*," Anton R. Valukas, Jenner & Block (May 29, 2014).

69. Mr. DeGiorgio actively concealed the defect while working for GM.

70. Similarly, Gary Altman was the program-engineering manager for the Cobalt, which is one of the models with the defective ignition switches and hit the market in MY 2005. He remained as an engineer at GM until he was suspended on April 10, 2014, by GM for his role in the ignition switch problem and then fired in the wake of the GM Report.

71. Mr. Altman recently admitted that engineering managers (including himself and Mr. DeGiorgio) knew about ignition switch problems in the vehicle that could cause vehicles to stall, and disable power steering and power brakes, but launched the vehicle anyway because they believed that the vehicles could be safely coasted off the road after a stall. Mr. Altman insisted that "the [Cobalt] was maneuverable and controllable" with the power steering and power brakes inoperable.

72. Incredibly, GM now claims that it did not view vehicle stalling and the loss of power steering as a "safety issue," but only as a "customer convenience" issue.<sup>6</sup> GM bases this claim on the equally incredible assertion that, at least for some period of time, it was not aware that when the ignition switch moves to the "accessory" position, the airbags become inoperable – even though Old GM itself designed the airbags to not deploy under that circumstance.<sup>7</sup>

73. Even crediting GM's claim that some at the Company were unaware of the rather obvious connection between the defective ignition switches and airbag non-deployment, a stall and loss of power steering and power brakes is a serious safety issue under any objective view. GM itself recognized in 2010 that a loss of power steering standing alone was grounds for a safety recall, as it did a recall on such grounds.

74. In fact, as multiple GM employees confirm, GM intentionally avoids using the word "stall" "because such language might draw the attention of NHTSA"

<sup>6</sup> GM Report at 2. <sup>7</sup> *Id*.

and "may raise a concern about safety, which suggests GM should recall the vehicle...."<sup>8</sup>

75. GM continued to receive reports of deaths in Cobalts involving steering and/or airbag failures from its inception up through the present, and now admits that at least 13 deaths are attributable to the ignition switch defects. The actual number is believed to be much higher.

76. In April 2006, the GM design engineer who was responsible for the ignition switch in the recalled vehicles, Design Research Engineer Ray DeGiorgio, authorized part supplier Delphi to implement changes to fix the ignition switch defect.<sup>9</sup> The design change "was implemented to increase torque performance in the switch."<sup>10</sup> However, testing showed that, even with the proposed change, the performance of the ignition switch was still below original specifications.<sup>11</sup> *Yet no recall occurred.* 

77. Modified ignition switches – with greater torque – started to be installed in 2007 model/year vehicles.<sup>12</sup> In what former GM engineers now term a "cardinal sin" and "an extraordinary violation of internal processes," when Mr. DiGiorgio changed the part design *he kept the old part number*.<sup>13</sup> That makes it impossible to determine from the part number alone which GM vehicles produced after 2007 contain the defective ignition switches.

<sup>8</sup> GM Report at 92-93.

<sup>9</sup> General Motors Commodity Validation Sign-Off (Apr. 26, 2006), GMHEC000003201. *See also* GM Mar. 11, 2014 Ltr. to NHTSA, attached chronology at 2.

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<sup>11</sup> Delphi Briefing, Mar. 27, 2014.

<sup>12</sup> GM Mar. 11, 2014 Ltr. to NHTSA, attached chronology at 2.

<sup>13</sup> "Cardinal sin': Former GM engineers say quiet '06 redesign of faulty ignition switch was a major violation of protocol," Automotive News (Mar. 26, 2014).

78. In October 2012, Mr. DeGiorgio sent an email to Brian Stouffer of GM regarding the "2005-7 Cobalt and Ignition Switch Effort," stating: "If we replaced switches on ALL the model years, i.e., 2005, 2006, 2007 the piece price would be about \$10.00 per switch."<sup>14</sup>

79. The October 2012 email makes clear that GM considered implementing a recall to fix the defective ignition switches in the Chevy Cobalt vehicles, but declined to do so in order to save money.

80. Eventually, in the face of pressure from regulators and personal injury litigants, the defect could no longer be ignored or swept under the rug. After analysis by GM's Field Performance Review Committee and the Executive Field Action Decision Committee ("EFADC"), the EFADC finally ordered a recall of *some* of the vehicles with defective ignition switches on January 31, 2014.

81. Initially, the EFADC ordered a recall of only the Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac G5 for model years 2005-2007.

82. After additional analysis, the EFADC expanded the recall on
February 24, 2014, to include the Chevrolet HHR and Pontiac Solstice for model
years 2006 and 2007, the Saturn Ion for model years 2003-2007, and the Saturn Sky
for model year 2007.

83. Most recently, on March 28, 2014, GM expanded the recall a third time, to include Chevrolet Cobalts, Pontiac G5s and Solstices, Saturn Ions and Skys from the 2008 through 2010 model years, and Chevrolet HHRs from the 2008 through 2011 model years.

84. All told, GM has recalled some 2.19 million vehicles in connection with the ignition switch defect.

85. Based on its egregious conduct in concealing the ignition switch defect,GM recently agreed to pay the maximum possible civil penalty in a Consent Order

<sup>14</sup> GMHEC000221539.

with the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA") and admittedthat it had violated its legal obligations to promptly disclose the existence of knownsafety defects.

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#### The power steering defect.

86. Between 2003 and 2010, over 1.3 million GM-branded vehicles in the United States were sold with a safety defect that causes the vehicle's electric power steering ("EPS") to suddenly fail during ordinary driving conditions and revert back to manual steering, requiring greater effort by the driver to steer the vehicle and increasing the risk of collisions and injuries.

87. As with the ignition switch defects, GM was aware of the power steeringdefect long before it took anything approaching full remedial action.

88. When the power steering fails, a message appears on the vehicle's dashboard, and a chime sounds to inform the driver. Although steering control can be maintained through manual steering, greater driver effort is required, and the risk of an accident is increased.

89. In 2010, GM first recalled Chevy Cobalt and Pontiac G5 models for these power steering issues, yet it did not recall the many other vehicles that had the very same power steering defect.

90. Documents released by NHTSA show that GM waited years to recall nearly 335,000 Saturn Ions for power steering failure – despite receiving nearly 4,800 consumer complaints and more than 30,000 claims for warranty repairs. That translates to a complaint rate of 14.3 incidents per thousand vehicles and a warranty claim rate of 9.1 percent. By way of comparison, NHTSA has described as "high" a complaint rate of 250 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.<sup>15</sup> Here, the rate translates to 1430 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.

<sup>15</sup> See http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/results.cfm?action\_number=EA06002&SearchType=QuickSearch&summary=true. 91. In response to the consumer complaints, in September 2011, NHTSA opened an investigation into the power steering defect in Saturn Ions.

92. NHTSA database records show complaints from Ion owners as early as June 2004, with the first injury reported in May 2007.

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93. NHTSA linked approximately 12 crashes and two injuries to the power steering defect in the Ions.

94. In 2011, GM missed yet another opportunity to recall the additional vehicles with faulty power steering when CEO Mary Barra – then head of product development – was advised by engineer Terry Woychowski that there was a serious power steering issue in Saturn Ions. Ms. Barra was also informed of the ongoing NHTSA investigation. At the time, NHTSA reportedly came close to concluding that Saturn Ions should have been included in GM's 2005 steering recall of Cobalt and G5 vehicles.

95. Yet GM took no action for four years. It wasn't until March 31, 2014, that GM finally recalled the approximately 1.3 million vehicles in the United States affected by the power steering defect.

96. After announcing the March 31, 2014 recall, Jeff Boyer, GM's Vice President of Global Vehicle Safety, acknowledged that GM recalled some of these same vehicle models previously for the same issue, but that GM "did not do enough."

# 3. Airbag defect.<sup>16</sup>

97. From 2007 until at least 2013, nearly 1.2 million GM-branded vehicles in the United States were sold with defective wiring harnesses. Increased resistance in the wiring harnesses of driver and passenger seat-mounted, side-impact air bag ("SIAB") in the affected vehicles may cause the SIABs, front center airbags, and seat belt pretensioners to not deploy in a crash. The vehicles' failure to deploy airbags

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> This defect is distinct from the airbag component of the ignition switch defect discussed above and from other airbag defects affecting a smaller number of vehicles, discussed below.

and pretensioners in a crash increases the risk of injury and death to the drivers and front-seat passengers.

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98. Once again, GM knew of the dangerous airbag defect long before it took anything approaching the requisite remedial action.

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99. As the wiring harness connectors in the SIABs corrode or loosen over time, resistance will increase. The airbag sensing system will interpret this increase in resistance as a fault, which then triggers illumination of the "SERVICE AIR BAG" message on the vehicle's dashboard. This message may be intermittent at first and the airbags and pretensioners will still deploy. But over time, the resistance can build to the point where the SIABs, pretensioners, and front center airbags will not deploy in the event of a collision.<sup>17</sup>

100. The problem apparently arose when GM made the switch from using gold-plated terminals to connect its wire harnesses to cheaper tin terminals in 2007.

101. In June 2008, Old GM noticed increased warranty claims for airbag service on certain of its vehicles and determined it was due to increased resistance in airbag wiring. After analysis of the tin connectors in September 2008, Old GM determined that corrosion and wear to the connectors was causing the increased resistance in the airbag wiring. It released a technical service bulletin on November 25, 2008, for 2008-2009 Buick Enclaves, 2009 Chevy Traverse, 2008-2009 GMC Acadia, and 2008-2009 Saturn Outlook models, instructing dealers to repair the defect by using Nyogel grease, securing the connectors, and adding slack to the line. Old GM also began the transition back to gold-plated terminals in certain vehicles. At that point, Old GM suspended all investigation into the defective airbag wiring and took no further action.<sup>18</sup>

102. In November 2009, GM learned of similar reports of increased airbag service messages in 2010 Chevy Malibu and 2010 Pontiac G6 vehicles. After

<sup>17</sup> See GM Notice to NHTSA dated March 17, 2014, at 1.

<sup>18</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 1-2.

investigation, GM concluded that corrosion and wear in the same tin connector was the root of the airbag problems in the Malibu and G6 models.<sup>19</sup>

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In January 2010, after review of the Malibu and G6 airbag connector 103. issues, GM concluded that ignoring the service airbag message could increase the resistance such that a SIAB might not deploy in a side impact collision. On May 11, 2010, GM issued a Customer Satisfaction Bulletin for the Malibu and G6 models and instructed dealers to secure both front seat-mounted, side-impact airbag wire harnesses and, if necessary, reroute the wire harness.<sup>20</sup>

104. From February to May 2010, GM revisited the data on vehicles with faulty harness wiring issues, and noted another spike in the volume of the airbag service warranty claims. This led GM to conclude that the November 2008 bulletin was "not entirely effective in correcting the [wiring defect present in the vehicles]." On November 23, 2010, GM issued another Customer Satisfaction Bulletin for certain 2008 Buick Enclave, 2008 Saturn Outlook, and 2008 GMC Acadia models built from October 2007 to March 2008, instructing dealers to secure SIAB harnesses and reroute or replace the SIAB connectors.<sup>21</sup>

105. GM issued a revised Customer Service Bulletin on February 3, 2011, requiring replacement of the front seat-mounted side-impact airbag connectors in the same faulty vehicles mentioned in the November 2010 bulletin. In July 2011, GM again replaced its connector, this time with a Tyco-manufactured connector featuring a silver-sealed terminal.<sup>22</sup>

106. But in 2012, GM noticed another spike in the volume of warranty claims relating to SIAB connectors in vehicles built in the second half of 2011. After further analysis of the Tyco connectors, it discovered that inadequate crimping of the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> *See id.* at 2.

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connector terminal was causing increased system resistance. In response, GM issued an internal bulletin for 2011-12 Buick Enclave, Chevy Traverse, and GMC Acadia vehicles, recommending dealers repair affected vehicles by replacing the original connector with a new sealed connector.<sup>23</sup>

107. The defect was still uncured, however, because in 2013 GM again marked an increase in service repairs and buyback activity due to illuminated airbag service lights. On October 4, 2013, GM opened an investigation into airbag connector issues in 2011-2013 Buick Enclave, Chevy Traverse, and GMC Acadia models. The investigation revealed an increase in warranty claims for vehicles built in late 2011 and early 2012.<sup>24</sup>

108. On February 10, 2014, GM concluded that corrosion and crimping issues were again the root cause of the airbag problems.<sup>25</sup>

109. GM initially planned to issue a less-urgent Customer Satisfaction Program to address the airbag flaw in the 2010-2013 vehicles. But it wasn't until a call with NHTSA on March 14, 2014, that GM finally issued a full-blown safety recall on the vehicles with the faulty harness wiring – years after it first learned of the defective airbag connectors, after four investigations into the defect, and after issuing at least six service bulletins on the topic. The recall as first approved covered only 912,000 vehicles, but on March 16, 2014, it was increased to cover approximately 1.2 million vehicles.<sup>26</sup>

110. On March 17, 2014, GM issued a recall for 1,176,407 vehicles potentially afflicted with the defective airbag system. The recall instructs dealers to

- <sup>23</sup> *See id*. at 4.
- <sup>24</sup> See id.

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- $^{25}$  See *id*. at 5.
- <sup>26</sup> See id.

remove driver and passenger SIAB connectors and splice and solder the wires together.<sup>27</sup>

# 4. The brake light defect.

111. Between 2004 and 2012, approximately 2.4 million GM-branded vehicles in the United States were sold with a safety defect that can cause brake lamps to fail to illuminate when the brakes are applied or to illuminate when the brakes are not engaged; the same defect can disable cruise control, traction control, electronic stability control, and panic brake assist operation, thereby increasing the risk of collisions and injuries.<sup>28</sup>

112. Once again, GM knew of the dangerous brake light defect for years
before it took anything approaching the requisite remedial action. In fact, although
the brake light defect has caused at least 13 crashes since 2008, GM did not recall all
2.4 million vehicles with the defect until May 2014.

113. The vehicles with the brake light defect include the 2004-2012 Chevrolet Malibu, the 2004-2007 Malibu Maxx, the 2005-2010 Pontiac G6 and the 2007-2010 Saturn Aura.<sup>29</sup>

114. According to GM, the brake defect originates in the Body Control
Module ("BCM") connection system. "Increased resistance can develop in the
[BCM] connection system and result in voltage fluctuations or intermittency in the
Brake Apply Sensor ("BAS") circuit that can cause service brakes lamp
malfunction."<sup>30</sup> The result is brake lamps that may illuminate when the brakes are not
being applied and may not illuminate when the brakes are being applied.<sup>31</sup>

<sup>27</sup> See id.

<sup>28</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-252 dated May 28, 2014, at 1.
 <sup>29</sup> Id.

- $^{30}$  Id.
- $^{31}$  Id.

- 115. The same defect can also cause the vehicle to get stuck in cruise control
   if it is engaged, or cause cruise control to not engage, and may also disable the
   traction control, electronic stability control, and panic-braking assist features.<sup>32</sup>
  - 116. GM now acknowledges that the brake light defect "may increase the risk of a crash."<sup>33</sup>

117. As early as September 2008, NHTSA opened an investigation for model year 2005-2007 Pontiac G6 vehicles involving allegations that the brake lights may turn on when the driver had not depressed the brake pedal and may turn on when the brake pedal was depressed.<sup>34</sup>

118. During its investigation of the brake light defect in 2008, Old GM found elevated warranty claims for the brake light defect for MY 2005 and 2006 vehicles built in January 2005, and found "fretting corrosion in the BCM C2 connector was the root cause" of the problem.<sup>35</sup> Old GM and its part supplier Delphi decided that applying dielectric grease to the BCM C2 connector would be "an effective countermeasure to the fretting corrosion."<sup>36</sup> Beginning in November 2008, the company began applying dielectric grease in its vehicle assembly plants.<sup>37</sup>

119. On December 4, 2008, Old GM issued a TSB recommending the application of dielectric grease to the BCM C2 connector for the MY 2005-2009,
Pontiac G6, 2004-2007 Chevrolet Malibu/Malibu Maxx and 2008 Malibu Classic and 2007-2009 Saturn Aura vehicles.<sup>38</sup> One month later, in January 2009, Old GM

<sup>32</sup> Id.
<sup>33</sup> Id.
<sup>34</sup> Id. at 2.
<sup>35</sup> Id.
<sup>36</sup> Id.
<sup>37</sup> Id. at 3.
<sup>38</sup> Id. at 2.

recalled only a small subset of the vehicles with the brake light defect – 8,000 MY 2005-2006 Pontiac G6 vehicles built during the month of January 2005.<sup>39</sup>

120. Not surprisingly, the brake light problem was far from resolved.

121. In October 2010, GM released an updated TSB regarding "intermittent brake lamp malfunctions," and added MY 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu/Malibu Maxx vehicles to the list of vehicles for which it recommended the application of dielectric grease to the BCM C2 connector.<sup>40</sup>

122. In September 2011, GM received an information request from Canadian authorities regarding brake light defect complaints in vehicles that had not yet been recalled. Then, in June 2012, NHTSA provided GM with additional complaints "that were outside of the build dates for the brake lamp malfunctions on the Pontiac G6" vehicles that had been recalled.<sup>41</sup>

123. In February 2013, NHTSA opened a "Recall Query" in the face of 324 complaints "that the brake lights do not operate properly" in Pontiac G6, Malibu, and Aura vehicles that had not yet been recalled.<sup>42</sup>

124. In response, GM asserts that it "investigated these occurrences looking for root causes that could be additional contributors to the previously identified fretting corrosion," but that it continued to believe that "fretting corrosion in the BCM C2 connector" was the "root cause" of the brake light defect.<sup>43</sup>

125. In June 2013, NHTSA upgraded its "Recall Query" concerning brake light problems to an "Engineering Analysis."<sup>44</sup>

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1 126. In August 2013, GM found an elevated warranty rate for BCM C2
 2 connectors in vehicles built *after* Old GM had begun applying dielectric grease to
 3 BCM C2 connectors at its assembly plants in November 2008.<sup>45</sup> In November 2013,
 4 GM concluded that "the amount of dielectric grease applied in the assembly plant
 5 starting November 2008 was insufficient...."<sup>46</sup>

127. Finally, in March 2014, "GM engineering teams began conducting analysis and physical testing to measure the effectiveness of potential countermeasures to address fretting corrosion. As a result, GM determined that additional remedies were needed to address fretting corrosion."<sup>47</sup>

128. On May 7, 2014, GM's Executive Field Action Decision Committee finally decided to conduct a safety recall.

129. According to GM, "Dealers are to attach the wiring harness to the BCM with a spacer, apply dielectric lubricant to both the BCM CR and harness connector, and on the BAS and harness connector, and relearn the brake pedal home position."<sup>48</sup>

130. Once again, GM sat on and concealed its knowledge of the brake light defect, and did not even consider available countermeasures (other than the application of grease that had proven ineffective) until March of this year.

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# 5. Shift cable defect.

131. From 2004 through 2010, more than 1.1 million GM-branded vehicles were sold throughout the United States with a dangerously defective transmission shift cable. The shift cable may fracture at any time, preventing the driver from switching gears or placing the transmission in the "park" position. According to GM, "[i]f the driver cannot place the vehicle in park, and exits the vehicle without applying

- <sup>45</sup> Id. <sup>46</sup> Id.
- $^{47}$  *Id*. at 4.  $^{48}$  *Id*.

the park brake, the vehicle could roll away and a crash could occur without prior warning."<sup>49</sup>

132. Yet again, GM knew of the shift cable defect long before it issued the recent recall of more than 1.1 million vehicles with the defect.

133. In May 2011, NHTSA informed GM that it had opened an investigation into failed transmission cables in 2007 model year Saturn Aura vehicles. In response, GM noted "a cable failure model in which a tear to the conduit jacket could allow moisture to corrode the interior steel wires, resulting in degradation of shift cable performance, and eventually, a possible shift cable failure."<sup>50</sup>

134. Upon reviewing these findings, GM's Executive Field Action Committee conducted a "special coverage field action for the 2007-2008 MY Saturn Aura vehicles equipped with 4 speed transmissions and built with Leggett & Platt cables."
GM apparently chose that cut-off date because, on November 1, 2007, Kongsberg Automotive replaced Leggett & Platt as the cable provider.<sup>51</sup>

135. GM did not recall any of the vehicles with the shift cable defect at this time, and limited its "special coverage field action" to the 2007-2008 Aura vehicles even though "the same or similar Leggett & Platt cables were used on … Pontiac G6 and Chevrolet Malibu (MMX380) vehicles."

136. In March 2012, NHTSA sent GM an Engineering Assessment request to investigate transmission shift cable failures in 2007-2008 MY Auras, Pontiac G6s, and Chevrolet Malibus.<sup>52</sup>

137. In responding to the Engineering Assessment request, GM for the first time "noticed elevated warranty rates in vehicles built with Kongsberg shift cables."

- <sup>49</sup> See GM letter to NHTSA Re: NHTSA Campaign No. 14V-224 dated May 22, 2014, at 1.
  - $^{50}$  *Id*. at 2.
  - <sup>51</sup> *Id*.
  - <sup>52</sup> Id.

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Similar to their predecessor vehicles built with Leggett & Platt shift cables, in the vehicles built with Kongsberg shift cables "the tabs on the transmission shift cable end may fracture and separate without warning, resulting in failure of the transmission shift cable and possible unintended vehicle movement."<sup>53</sup>

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138. Finally, on September 13, 2012, the Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a safety recall. This initial recall was limited to 2008-2010 MY Saturn Aura, Pontiac G6, and Chevrolet Malibu vehicles with 4-speed transmission built with Kongsberg shifter cables, as well as 2007-2008 MY Saturn Aura and 2005-2007 MY Pontiac G6 vehicles with 4-speed transmissions which may have been serviced with Kongsberg shift cables.<sup>54</sup>

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139. But the shift cable problem was far from resolved.

140. In March 2013, NHTSA sent GM a second Engineering Assessment concerning allegations of failure of the transmission shift cables on all 2007-2008 MY Saturn Aura, Chevrolet Malibu, and Pontiac G6 vehicles.<sup>55</sup>

141. GM continued its standard process of "investigation" and delay. But by May 9, 2014, GM was forced to concede that "the same cable failure mode found with the Saturn Aura 4-speed transmission" was present in a wide population of vehicles.<sup>56</sup>

142. Finally, on May 19, 2014, GM's Executive Field Actions Decision
Committee decided to conduct a safety recall of more than 1.1 million vehicles with
the defective shift cable issue, including the following models and years (as of
May 23, 2014): MY 2007-2008 Chevrolet Saturn; MY 2004-2008 Chevrolet Malibu;
MY 2004-2007 Chevrolet Malibu Maxx; and MY 2005-2008 Pontiac G6.

- <sup>53</sup> *Id*.
- <sup>54</sup> *Id*.
- <sup>55</sup> Id.
- <sup>56</sup> Id.

# 6. Safety belt defect.

143. Between the years 2008-2014, more than 1.4 million GM-branded vehicles were sold with a dangerous safety belt defect. According to GM, "[t]he flexible steel cable that connects the safety belt to the vehicle at the outside of the front outside of the front outboard seating positions can fatigue and separate over time as a result of occupant movement into the seat. In a crash, a separated cable could increase the risk of injury to the occupant."<sup>57</sup>

144. On information and belief, GM knew of the safety belt defect long before it issued the recent recall of more than 1.3 million vehicles with the defect.

145. While GM has yet to submit its full chronology of events to NHTSA, suffice to say that GM has waited some five years before disclosing this defect. This delay is consistent with GM's long period of concealment of the other defects as set forth above.

146. On May 19, 2014, GM's Executive Field Action Decision Committee decided to conduct a recall of the following models and years in connection with the safety belt defect: MY 2009-2014 Buick Enclave; MY 2009-2014 Chevrolet Traverse; MY 2009-2014 GMC Acadia, and MY 2009-2010 Saturn Outlook.

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# 7. Ignition lock cylinder defect.

147. On April 9, 2014, GM recalled 2,191,014 GM-branded vehicles to address faulty ignition lock cylinders.<sup>58</sup> Though the vehicles are the same as those affected by the ignition switch defect,<sup>59</sup> the lock cylinder defect is distinct.

148. In these vehicles, faulty ignition lock cylinders can allow removal of the ignition key while the engine is not in the "Off" position. If the ignition key is removed when the ignition is not in the "Off" position, unintended vehicle motion

<sup>57</sup> See GM letter to NHTSA Re: NHTSA Campaign No. 14V-224 dated May 22, 2014, at 1.

<sup>58</sup> See GM Notice to NHTSA dated April 9, 2014.

<sup>59</sup> Namely, MY 2005 -2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, 2005-2011 Chevrolet HHRs, 2007-2010 Pontiac G5s, 2003-2007 Saturn Ions, and 2007-2010 Saturn Skys.

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may occur.	That could cause a vehicle crash and injury to the vehicle's occupants or
pedestrians.	As a result, some of the vehicles with faulty ignition lock cylinders may
fail to confo	orm to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 114, "Theft
Prevention	and Rollaway Prevention."60
149.	On information and belief, GM was aware of the ignition lock cylinder
defect for y	ears before finally acting to remedy it.
8.	The Camaro's Key Design Defect
150.	On June 13, 2014, GM recalled more than 500,000 Chevrolet Camaros:
	because a driver's knee can bump the key fob out of the run position and cause the vehicle to lose power, an issue that has led to at least three crashes.
	GM said it learned of the issue which primarily affects drivers who sit close to the steering wheel, during internal testing it conducted following its massive ignition switch recall earlier this year. GM knows of three crashes that resulted in four minor injuries attributed to this defect.
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stall without warning," one driver of a 2000 Cadillac Deville told regulators in 2 December 2000. "Complete electrical system and engine shutdown while driving," another driver of the same model said in January 2001. "Happened three different times to date. Dealer is unable to determine cause of failure."

155. The vehicles covered include the Buick Lacrosse, model years 2005-09; Chevrolet Impala, 2006-14; Cadillac Deville, 2000-05; Cadillac DTS, 2004-11; Buick Lucerne, 2006-11; Buick Regal LS and RS, 2004-05; and Chevrolet Monte Carlo, 2006-08.

### At least 26 other defects were revealed by GM in recalls during the first five and one-half months of 2014. 10.

The nine defects discussed above – and the resultant 12 recalls – are but 156. a subset of the 40 recalls ordered by GM in connection with 35 separate defects during the first five and one-half months of 2014. The 26 additional defects are briefly summarized in the following paragraphs.

157. Transmission oil cooler line defect: On March 31, 2014, GM recalled 489,936 MY 2014 Chevy Silverado, 2014 GMC Sierra, 2014 GMC Yukon, 2014 GMC Yukon XL, 2015 Chevy Tahoe, and 2015 Chevy Suburban vehicles. These vehicles may have transmission oil cooler lines that are not securely seated in the fitting. This can cause transmission oil to leak from the fitting, where it can contact a hot surface and cause a vehicle fire.

**Power management mode software defect:** On January 13, 2014, GM 158. recalled 324,970 MY 2014 Chevy Silverado and GMC Sierra Vehicles. When these vehicles are idling in cold temperatures, the exhaust components can overheat, melt nearby plastic parts, and cause an engine fire.

Substandard front passenger airbags: On March 17, 2014, GM 159. recalled 303,013 MY 2009-2014 GMC Savana vehicles. In certain frontal impact collisions below the air bag deployment threshold in these vehicles, the panel covering the airbag may not sufficiently absorb the impact of the collision. These

vehicles therefore do not meet the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety
 Standard number 201, "Occupant Protection in Interior Impact."

160. Light control module defect: On May 16, 2014, GM recalled 218,214 MY 2004-2008 Chevrolet Aveo (subcompact) and 2004-2008 Chevrolet Optra (subcompact) vehicles. In these vehicles, heat generated within the light control module in the center console in the instrument panel may melt the module and cause a vehicle fire.

161. **Front axle shaft defect:** On March 28, 2014, GM recalled 174,046 MY 2013-2014 Chevrolet Cruze vehicles. In these vehicles, the right front axle shaft may fracture and separate. If this happens while the vehicle is being driven, the vehicle will lose power and coast to a halt. If a vehicle with a fractured shaft is parked and the parking brake is not applied, the vehicle may move unexpectedly which can lead to accident and injury.

162. **Brake boost defect:** On May 13, 2014, GM recalled 140,067 MY 2014 Chevrolet Malibu vehicles. The "hydraulic boost assist" in these vehicles may be disabled; when that happens, slowing or stopping the vehicle requires harder brake pedal force, and the vehicle will travel a greater distance before stopping. Therefore, these vehicles do not comply with Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 135, "Light Vehicle Brake Systems," and are at increased risk of collision.

163. Low beam headlight defect: On May 14, 2014, GM recalled 103,158 MY 2005-2007 Chevrolet Corvette vehicles. In these vehicles, the underhood bussed electrical center (UBEC) housing can expand and cause the headlamp low beam relay control circuit wire to bend. When the wire is repeatedly bent, it can fracture and cause a loss of low beam headlamp illumination. The loss of illumination decreases the driver's visibility and the vehicle's conspicuity to other motorists, increasing the risk of a crash.

164. <u>Vacuum line brake booster defect</u>: On March 17, 2014, GM recalled
63,903 MY 2013-2014 Cadillac XTS vehicles. In these vehicles, a cavity plug on the

brake boost pump connector may dislodge and allow corrosion of the brake booster pump relay connector. This can have an adverse impact on the vehicle's brakes.

165. <u>Fuel gauge defect</u>: On April 29, 2014, GM recalled 51,460 MY 2014
Chevrolet Traverse, GMC Acadia and Buick Enclave vehicles. In these vehicles, the engine control module ("ECM") software may cause inaccurate fuel gauge readings.
An inaccurate fuel gauge may result in the vehicle unexpectedly running out of fuel and stalling, and thereby increases the risk of accident.

166. <u>Acceleration defect</u>: On April 24, 2014, GM recalled 50,571 MY 2013 Cadillac SRX vehicles. In these vehicles, there may be a three- to four-second lag in acceleration due to faulty transmission control module programming. That lag may increase the risk of a crash.

167. <u>Flexible flat cable airbag defect</u>: On April 9, 2014, GM recalled 23,247 MY 2009-2010 Pontiac Vibe vehicles. These vehicles are susceptible to a failure in the Flexible Flat Cable ("FFC") in the spiral cable assemble connecting the driver's airbag module. When the FFC fails, connectivity to the driver's airbag module is lost and the airbag is deactivated. The resultant failure of the driver's airbag to deploy increases the risk of injury to the driver in the event of a crash.

168. <u>Windshield wiper defect</u>: On May 14, 2014, GM recalled 19,225 MY 2014 Cadillac CTS vehicles. A defect leaves the windshield wipers in these vehicles prone to failure. Inoperative windshield wipers can decrease the driver's visibility and increase the risk of a crash.

169. **Brake rotor defect:** On May 7, 2014, GM recalled 8,208 MY 2014 Chevrolet Malibu and Buick LaCrosse vehicles. In these vehicles, GM may have accidentally installed rear brake rotors on the front brakes. The rear rotors are thinner than the front rotors, and the use of rear rotors in the front of the vehicle may result in a front brake pad detaching from the caliper. The detachment of a break pad from the caliper can cause a sudden reduction in braking which lengthens the distance required to stop the vehicle and increases the risk of a crash.

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170. **Passenger-side airbag defect:** On May 16, 2014, GM recalled 1,402 MY 2015 Cadillac Escalade vehicles. In these vehicles, the airbag module is secured to a chute adhered to the backside of the instrument panel with an insufficiently heated infrared weld. As a result, the front passenger-side airbag may only partially deploy in the event of crash, and this will increase the risk of occupant injury. These vehicles do not conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 208, "Occupant Crash Protection."

171. <u>Electronic stability control defect</u>: On March 26, 2014, GM recalled 656 MY 2014 Cadillac ELR vehicles. In these vehicles, the electronic stability control (ESC) system software may inhibit certain ESC diagnostics and fail to alert the driver that the ESC system is partially or fully disabled. Therefore, these vehicles fail to conform to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard number 126, "Electronic Stability Control Systems." A driver who is not alerted to an ESC system malfunction may continue driving with a disabled ESC system. That may result in the loss of directional control, greatly increasing the risk of a crash.

172. <u>Steering tie-rod defect</u>: On May 13, 2014, GM recalled 477 MY 2014 Chevrolet Silverado, 2014 GMC Sierra and 2015 Chevrolet Tahoe vehicles. In these vehicles, the tie-rod threaded attachment may not be properly tightened to the steering gear rack. An improperly tightened tie-rod attachment may allow the tie-rod to separate from the steering rack and result in a loss of steering that greatly increases the risk of a vehicle crash.

173. <u>Automatic transmission shift cable adjuster</u>: On February 20, 2014, GM recalled 352 MY 2014 Buick Enclave, Buick LaCrosse, Buick Regal, Verano, Chevrolet Cruze, Chevrolet Impala, Chevrolet Malibu, Chevrolet Traverse, and GMC Acadia vehicles. In these vehicles, the transmission shift cable adjuster may disengage from the transmission shift lever. When that happens, the driver may be unable to shift gears, and the indicated gear position may not be accurate. If the adjuster is disengaged when the driver attempts to stop and park the vehicle, the

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driver may be able to shift the lever to the "PARK" position but the vehicle
transmission may not be in the "PARK" gear position. That creates the risk that the
vehicle will roll away as the driver and other occupants exit the vehicle, or anytime
thereafter.

174. **Fuse block defect:** On May 19, 2014, GM recalled 58 MY 2015 Chevrolet Silverado HD and GMC Sierra HD vehicles. In these vehicles, the retention clips that attach the fuse block to the vehicle body can become loose allowing the fuse block to move out of position. When this occurs, exposed conductors in the fuse block may contact the mounting studs or other metallic components, which in turn causes a "short to ground" event. That can result in an arcing condition, igniting nearby combustible materials and starting an engine compartment fire.

175. <u>Diesel transfer pump defect</u>: On April 24, 2014, GM recalled 51 MY 2014 GMC Sierra HD and 2015 Chevrolet Silverado HD vehicles. In these vehicles, the fuel pump connections on both sides of the diesel fuel transfer pump may not be properly torqued. That can result in a diesel fuel leak, which can cause a vehicle fire.

176. **Base radio defect:** On June 5, 2014, GM recalled 57,512 MY 2014 Chevrolet Silverado LD, 2014 GMC Sierra LD and model year 2015 Silverado HD, Tahoe and Suburban and 2015 GMC Sierra HD and Yukon and Yukon XL vehicles because the base radio may not work. The faulty base radio prevents audible warnings if the key is in the ignition when the driver's door is open, and audible chimes when a front seat belt is not buckled. Vehicles with the base radio defect are out of compliance with motor vehicle safety standards covering theft protection, rollaway protection and occupant crash protection.

177. <u>Shorting bar defect</u>: On June 5, 2014, GM recalled 31,520 MY 2012 Buick Verano and Chevrolet Camaro, Cruze and Sonic compact cars for a defect in which the shorting bar inside the dual stage driver's air bag may occasionally contact the air bag terminals. If contact occurs, the air bag warning light will illuminate. If

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the car and terminals are contacting each other in a crash, the air bag will not deploy.
GM admits awareness of one crash with an injury where the relevant diagnostic
trouble code was found at the time the vehicle was repaired. GM is aware of other
crashes where air bags did not deploy but it does not know if they were related to this
condition. GM conducted two previous recalls for this condition involving 7,116 of
these vehicles with no confirmed crashes in which this issue was involved.

178. **Front passenger airbag end cap defect:** On June 5, 2014, GM recalled 61 model year 2013-2014 Chevrolet Spark and 2013 model year Buick Encores manufactured in Changwon, Korea from December 30, 2012, through May 8, 2013, because the vehicles may have a condition in which the front passenger airbag end cap could separate from the airbag inflator. In a crash, this may prevent the passenger airbag from deploying properly.

179. <u>Sensing and Diagnostic Module ("SDM") defect</u>: On June 5, 2014, GM recalled 33 model year 2014 Chevrolet Corvettes in the U.S. because an internal short-circuit in the sensing and diagnostic module ("SDM") could disable frontal air bags, safety belt pretensioners and the Automatic Occupancy Sensing module.

180. <u>Sonic Turbine Shaft</u>: On June 11, 2014, GM recalled 21,567 Chevrolet Sonics due to a transmission turbine shaft that can malfunction.

181. <u>Electrical System defect</u>: On June 11, 2014, GM recalled 14,765 model year 2014 Buick LaCrosse sedans because a wiring splice in the driver's door can corrode and break, cutting power to the windows, sunroof, and door chime under certain circumstances.

182. <u>Seatbelt Tensioning System defect</u>: On June 11, 2014, GM recalled
8,789 model year 2004-11 Saab 9-3 convertibles because a cable in the driver's seatbelt tensioning system can break.

183. In light of GM's history of concealing known defects, there is little reason to think that either GM's recalls have fully addressed the 35 recently revealed defects or that GM has addressed each defect of which it is or should be aware.

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# GM Valued Cost-Cutting Over Safety, and Actively Encouraged Employees to Conceal Safety Issues

184. Recently revealed information presents a disturbing picture of GM's approach to safety issues – both in the design and manufacture stages, and in discovering and responding to defects in GM-branded vehicles that have already been sold.

185. GM made very clear to its personnel that cost-cutting was more important than safety, deprived its personnel of necessary resources for spotting and remedying defects, trained its employees not to reveal known defects, and rebuked those who attempted to "push hard" on safety issues.

186. One "directive" at GM was "cost is everything."<sup>61</sup> The messages from top leadership at GM to employees, as well as their actions, were focused on the need to control cost.<sup>62</sup>

187. One GM engineer stated that emphasis on cost control at GM "permeates the fabric of the whole culture."<sup>63</sup>

188. According to Mark Reuss (President of GMNA from 2009-2013 before succeeding Mary Barra as Executive Vice President for Global Product Development, Purchasing and Supply Chain in 2014), cost and time-cutting principles known as the "Big 4" at GM "emphasized timing over quality."<sup>64</sup>

189. GM's focus on cost-cutting created major disincentives to personnel who might wish to address safety issues. For example, those responsible for a vehicle were responsible for its costs, but if they wanted to make a change that incurred cost

<sup>61</sup> GM Report at 249.
<sup>62</sup> *Id.* at 250.
<sup>63</sup> *Id.*<sup>64</sup> *Id.*

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and affected other vehicles, they also became responsible for the costs incurred in the other vehicles.<sup>65</sup>

190. As another cost-cutting measure, parts were sourced to the lowest bidder, even if they were not the highest quality parts.<sup>66</sup>

191. Because of GM's focus on cost-cutting, GM Engineers did not believe they had extra funds to spend on product improvements.<sup>67</sup>

192. GM's focus on cost-cutting also made it harder for GM personnel to discover safety defects, as in the case of the "TREAD Reporting team."

193. GM used its TREAD database (known as "TREAD") to store the data required to be reported quarterly to NHTSA under the TREAD Act.<sup>68</sup> From the date of its inception in 2009, TREAD has been the principal database used by GM to track incidents related to its vehicles.<sup>69</sup>

194. From 2003-2007 or 2008, the TREAD Reporting team had eight employees, who would conduct monthly searches and prepare scatter graphs to identify spikes in the number of accidents or complaints with respect to various GMbranded vehicles. The TREAD Reporting team reports went to a review panel and sometimes spawned investigations to determine if any safety defect existed.<sup>70</sup>

195. In or around 2007-08, Old GM reduced the TREAD Reporting team from eight to three employees, and the monthly data mining process pared down.<sup>71</sup> In 2010, GM restored two people to the team, but they did not participate in the TREAD

<sup>65</sup> Id.
<sup>66</sup> Id. at 251.
<sup>67</sup> Id.
<sup>68</sup> Id. at 306.
<sup>69</sup> Id.
<sup>70</sup> Id. at 307.
<sup>71</sup> Id.

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database searches.<sup>72</sup> Moreover, until 2014, the TREAD Reporting team did not have sufficient resources to obtain any of the advanced data mining software programs available in the industry to better identify and understand potential defects.<sup>73</sup>

196. By starving the TREAD Reporting team of the resources it needed to identify potential safety issues, GM helped to insure that safety issues would not come to light.

197. "[T]here was resistance or reluctance to raise issues or concerns in the GM culture." The culture, atmosphere and supervisor response at GM "discouraged individuals from raising safety concerns."<sup>74</sup>

198. GM CEO Mary Barra experienced instances where GM engineers were "unwilling to identify issues out of concern that it would delay the launch" of a vehicle.<sup>75</sup>

199. GM supervisors warned employees to "never put anything above the company" and "never put the company at risk."<sup>76</sup>

200. GM "pushed back" on describing matters as safety issues and, as a result, "GM personnel failed to raise significant issues to key decision-makers."<sup>77</sup>

201. So, for example, GM discouraged the use of the word "stall" in Technical Service Bulletins ("TSBs") it sometimes sent to dealers about issues in GM-branded vehicles. According to Steve Oakley, who drafted a TSB in connection with the ignition switch defects, "the term 'stall' is a 'hot' word that GM generally does not use in bulletins because it may raise a concern about vehicle safety, which

<sup>72</sup> *Id.* at 307-308.
<sup>73</sup> *Id.* at 208.
<sup>74</sup> *Id.* at 252.
<sup>75</sup> *Id.*<sup>76</sup> *Id.* at 252-253.
<sup>77</sup> *Id.* at 253.

suggests GM should recall the vehicle, not issue a bulletin."<sup>78</sup> Other GM personnel
confirmed Oakley on this point, stating that "there was concern about the use of 'stall'
in a TSB because such language might draw the attention of NHTSA."<sup>79</sup>

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202. Oakley further noted that "he was reluctant to push hard on safety issues because of his perception that his predecessor had been pushed out of the job for doing just that."<sup>80</sup>

203. Many GM employees "did not take notes at all at critical safety meetings because they believed GM lawyers did not want such notes taken."<sup>81</sup>

204. A GM training document released by NHTSA as an attachment to its Consent Order sheds further light on the lengths to which GM went to ensure that known defects were concealed. It appears that the defects were concealed pursuant to a company policy GM inherited from Old GM.

205. The document consists of slides from a 2008 Technical Learning Symposium for "designing engineers," "company vehicle drivers," and other employees at Old GM. On information and belief, the vast majority of employees who participated in this webinar presentation continued on in their same positions at GM after July 10, 2009.

206. The presentation focused on recalls, and the "reasons for recalls."

207. One major component of the presentation was captioned "Documentation Guidelines," and focused on what employees should (and should not say) when describing problems in vehicles.

208. Employees were instructed to "[w]rite smart," and to "[b]e factual, not fantastic" in their writing.

- $^{78}$  *Id.* at 92.
- <sup>79</sup> *Id*. at 93.
- $^{80}$  *Id*.
- <sup>81</sup> *Id*. at 254.

209. Company vehicle drivers were given examples of comments to avoid, including the following: "This is a safety and security issue"; "I believe the wheels are too soft and weak and could cause a serious problem"; and "Dangerous ... almost caused accident."

210. In documents used for reports and presentations, employees were advised to avoid a long list of words, including: "bad," "dangerous," "defect," "defective," "failed," "flawed," "life-threatening," "problem," "safety," "safetyrelated," and "serious."

211. In truly Orwellian fashion, the Company advised employees to use the words (1) "Issue, Condition [or] Matter" instead of "Problem"; (2) "Has Potential Safety Implications" instead of "Safety"; (3) "Broke and separated 10 mm" instead of "Failed"; (4) "Above/Below/Exceeds Specification" instead of "Good [or] Bad"; and (5) "Does not perform to design" instead of "Defect/Defective."

212. As NHTSA's Acting Administrator Friedman noted at the May 16, 2014, press conference announcing the Consent Order concerning the ignition switch defect, it was GM's company policy to avoid using words that might suggest the existence of a safety defect:

> GM must rethink the corporate philosophy reflected in the documents we reviewed, including training materials that explicitly discouraged employees from using words like 'defect,' 'dangerous,' 'safety related,' and many more essential terms for engineers and investigators to clearly communicate up the chain when they suspect a problem.

213. GM appears to have trained its employees to conceal the existence of known safety defects from consumers and regulators. Indeed, it is nearly impossible to convey the potential existence of a safety defect without using the words "safety" or "defect" or similarly strong language that was verboten at GM.

214. So institutionalized at GM was the "phenomenon of avoiding responsibility" that the practice was given a name: "the 'GM salute," which was "a

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crossing of the arms and pointing outward towards others, indicating that the responsibility belongs to someone else, not me."<sup>82</sup>

215. CEO Mary Barra described a related phenomenon, "known as the 'GM nod," which was "when everyone nods in agreement to a proposed plan of action, but then leaves the room with no intention to follow through, and the nod is an empty gesture."<sup>83</sup>

216. According to the GM Report prepared by Anton R. Valukas, part of the failure to properly correct the ignition switch defect was due to problems with GM's organizational structure.<sup>84</sup> Part of the failure to properly correct the ignition switch defect was due to a corporate culture that did not care enough about safety.<sup>85</sup> Part of the failure to properly correct the ignition switch defect was due to a lack of open and honest communication with NHTSA regarding safety issues.<sup>86</sup> Part of the failure to properly correct the ignition switch defect was due to improper conduct and handling of safety issues by lawyers within GM's Legal Staff.<sup>87</sup> On information and belief, all of these issues also helped cause the concealment of and failure to remedy the many defects that have led to the spate of recalls in the first half of 2014.

# D. GM's Fraudulent Concealment of the Defects Has Harmed Plaintiff and the Class

217. GM's unprecedented concealment of a large number of serious defects, and its irresponsible approach to safety issues, has caused damage to Plaintiff and the Class.

218. A vehicle made by a reputable manufacturer of safe and reliable vehicles who stands behind its vehicles after they are sold is worth more than an otherwise

<sup>82</sup> GM Report at 255.
<sup>83</sup> Id. at 256.
<sup>84</sup> Id. at 259-260.
<sup>85</sup> Id. at 260-61.
<sup>86</sup> Id. at 263.
<sup>87</sup> Id. at 264.

similar vehicle made by a disreputable manufacturer known for selling defectivevehicles and for concealing and failing to remedy serious defects after the vehicles aresold.

219. A vehicle purchased or leased under the reasonable assumption that it is safe and reliable is worth more than a vehicle of questionable safety and reliability due to the manufacturer's recent history of concealing serious defects from consumers and regulators.

220. Purchasers and lessees of GM-branded vehicles after the July 10, 2009, inception of GM paid more for the vehicles than they would have had GM disclosed the many defects it had a duty to disclose in GM-branded vehicles. Because GM concealed the defects and the fact that it was a disreputable brand that valued costcutting over safety, Plaintiff and the Class did not receive the benefit of their bargain. And the value of all their vehicles has diminished as the result of GM's deceptive conduct.

221. On information and belief, an estimate of the diminished value in class vehicles is illustrated as follows:

2010 Chevy Camaro	\$2,200
2011 Chevy Camaro	\$1,600
2011 Saturn Astra	\$1,600
2011 Pontiac Sunfire	\$487
2011 Saturn Ion	\$878
2011 Pontiac GTO	\$1,300
2010 Saturn Sky	\$2,600

222. If GM had timely disclosed the many defects as required by the TREAD Act, the law of fraudulent concealment, and California consumer laws set forth below, Class members' vehicles would be considerably more valuable than they are now. Because of GM's now highly publicized campaign of deception, and its

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belated, piecemeal and ever-expanding recalls, so much stigma has attached to theGM brand that no rational consumer would pay what otherwise would have been fairmarket value for the Affected Vehicles.

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# V. TOLLING OF THE STATUTES OF LIMITATION

223. All applicable statutes of limitation have been tolled by GM's knowing and active fraudulent concealment and denial of the facts alleged herein. Plaintiff and Class members did not discover, and did not know of facts that would have caused a reasonable person to suspect, that GM did not report information within its knowledge to federal authorities (including NHTSA), its dealerships or consumers, nor would a reasonable and diligent investigation have disclosed that GM had information in its possession about the existence and dangerousness of numerous defects and opted to conceal that information until shortly before this action was filed, and nor would such an investigation have disclosed that GM valued cost-cutting over safety and actively discouraged its personnel from uncovering or raising safety issues.

224. Instead of disclosing the myriad safety defects and disregard of safety of which it was aware, GM falsely represented that its vehicles were safe, reliable, and of high quality, and that it was a reputable manufacturer that stood behind GM-branded vehicles after they were sold.

225. Because of the active concealment by GM, any and all limitations periods otherwise applicable to Plaintiff's claims have been tolled.

# VI. CLASS ALLEGATIONS

# A. The Nationwide Class

226. Under Rules 23(a), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of herself and a Class initially defined as follows (the "Nationwide Class"):

> During the fullest period allowed by law, all persons in the United States who either (i) own or lease a new or used GM-branded vehicle sold between July 10, 2009, and April 1, 2014 (the "Affected Vehicles"), or (ii) sold an

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229.	Excluded	from each Clas	ss are Old GM	I and GM, t	heir emp	oloyees, co	)-
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the judicial officers and their immediate family members and associated court staff assigned to this case, and all persons within the third degree of relationship to any such persons.

230. Plaintiff is informed and believes that there are at least millions ofAffected Vehicles nationwide and hundreds of thousands of Affected Vehicles inCalifornia. Individual joinder of all Class members is impracticable.

231. The Class can be readily identified using registration records, sales records, production records, and other information kept by GM or third parties in the usual course of business and within their control.

232. Questions of law and fact are common to the Class and predominate over questions affecting only individual members, including the following:

a. Whether numerous GM vehicles suffer from serious defects;

b. Whether GM was aware of many or all of the defects, and concealed the defects from regulators, Plaintiff, and the Class;

c. Whether GM misrepresented to Affected Vehicle purchasers that GM vehicles are safe, reliable, and of high quality;

d. Whether GM misrepresented itself as a reputable manufacturerthat values safety and stands behind its vehicles after they are sold;

e. Whether GM actively encouraged the concealment of known defects from regulators and consumers;

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f. Whether GM engaged in fraudulent concealment;

g. Whether GM engaged in unfair, deceptive, unlawful, and/or
fraudulent acts or practices in trade or commerce by failing to disclose that many
GM-branded vehicles had serious defects;

h. Whether the alleged conduct by GM violated laws as Plaintiff
alleges;

i. Whether GM's unlawful, unfair, fraudulent, and/or deceptive
practices harmed Plaintiff and the members of the Class;

j. Whether Plaintiff and the members of the Class are entitled to equitable and/or injunctive relief; and

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k. Whether any or all applicable limitations periods are tolled by acts of fraudulent concealment.

233. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Class members, and arise from the same course of conduct by GM. The relief Plaintiff seeks is typical of the relief sought for the absent Class members.

234. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of all absent Class members. Plaintiff is represented by counsel competent and experienced in product liability, consumer protection, and class action litigation.

235. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy, since joinder of all the individual Class members is impracticable. Because the damages suffered by each individual Class member may be relatively small, the expense and burden of individual litigation would make it very difficult or impossible for individual Class members to redress the wrongs done to each of them individually, and the burden imposed on the judicial system would be enormous.

236. The prosecution of separate actions by the individual Class members would create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications for individual Class members, which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for GM. The conduct of this action as a class action presents far fewer management difficulties, conserves judicial resources and the parties' resources, and protects the rights of each Class member.

237. Plaintiff is not aware of any obstacles likely to be encountered in the management of this action that would preclude its maintenance as a class action.Plaintiff anticipates providing appropriate notice to be approved by the Court after discovery into the size and nature of the Class.

1	VII. CAUSES OF ACTION
2	A. Nationwide Class Claim
3	COUNT I
4	FRAUDULENT CONCEALMENT
5	238. Plaintiff and the Class incorporate by reference each preceding and
6	following paragraph as though fully set forth at length herein.
7	239. This claim is brought on behalf of the Nationwide Class.
8	240. GM concealed and suppressed material facts concerning the quality of its
9	vehicles and the GM brand.
10	241. GM concealed and suppressed material facts concerning the culture of
11	GM – a culture that emphasized cost-cutting, avoidance of dealing with safety issues
12	and a shoddy design process.
13	242. GM concealed and suppressed material facts concerning the many
14	serious defects plaguing GM-branded vehicles, and that it valued cost-cutting over
15	safety and took steps to ensure that its employees did not reveal known safety defects
16	to regulators or consumers.
17	243. GM did so in order to boost confidence in its vehicles and falsely assure
18	purchasers and lessors of its vehicles that GM was a reputable manufacturer that
19	stands behind its vehicles after they are sold and that its vehicles are safe and reliable.
20	The false representations were material to consumers, both because they concerned
21	the quality and safety of the Affected Vehicles and because they played a significant
22	role in the value of the vehicles.
23	244. GM had a duty to disclose the many defects in GM-branded vehicles
24	because they were known and/or accessible only to GM who had superior knowledge
25	and access to the facts, and GM knew the facts were not known to or reasonably
26	discoverable by Plaintiff and the Class. These omitted and concealed facts were
27	material because they directly impact the value of the Affected Vehicles purchased or
28	leased by Plaintiff and the Class. Whether a manufacturer's products are safe and
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reliable, and whether that manufacturer stands behind its products, is a material concern to a consumer.

245. GM actively concealed and/or suppressed these material facts, in whole or in part, to protect its profits and avoid recalls that would hurt the brand's image and cost GM money, and it did so at the expense of Plaintiff and the Class.

246. On information and belief, GM has still not made full and adequate disclosure and continues to defraud Plaintiff and the Class and conceal material information regarding defects that exist in GM-branded vehicles.

247. Plaintiff and the Class were unaware of these omitted material facts and would not have acted as they did if they had known of the concealed and/or suppressed facts. Plaintiff's and the Class's actions were justified. GM was in exclusive control of the material facts and such facts were not known to the public, Plaintiff, or the Class.

248. Because of the concealment and/or suppression of the facts, Plaintiff and the Class sustained damage because they own vehicles that diminished in value as a result of GM's concealment of, and failure to timely disclose, the serious defects in millions of GM-branded vehicles and the serious safety and quality issues engendered by GM's corporate policies. Had they been aware of the many defects that existed in GM-branded vehicles, the Company's disregard for safety, Plaintiff either would have paid less for her vehicle or would not have purchased it at all. She did not receive the benefit of her bargain as a result of the fraudulent concealment of GM.

249. The value of all Class members' vehicles has diminished as a result of GM's fraudulent concealment of the many defects which has greatly tarnished the GM brand and made any reasonable consumer reluctant to purchase any of the Affected Vehicles, let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicles.

250. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and the Class's rights and well-

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1 being to enrich GM. GM's conduct warrants an assessment of punitive damages in an 2 amount sufficient to deter such conduct in the future, which amount is to be 3 determined according to proof. **California Class Claims** 4 **B**. 5 **COUNT II** 6 VIOLATIONS OF THE CONSUMER LEGAL REMEDIES ACT 7 (CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, *et seq.*) 8 251. Plaintiff Anna Andrews (in this Count referred to as "Plaintiff") brings 9 this claim solely on behalf of Class members who are residents of California (the 10 "California Class," in this Count referred to as the "Class"). 11 252. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference all paragraphs as though 12 fully set forth herein. 13 253. GM is a "person" under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1761(c). 14 254. Plaintiff and the Class are "consumers," as defined by CAL. CIV. CODE 15 § 1761(d), who purchased or leased one or more Affected Vehicles. 16 255. GM engaged in unfair or deceptive acts or practices that violated CAL. 17 CIV. CODE § 1750, et seq., as described above and below. 18 256. Under the TREAD Act, 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101, et seq., and its 19 accompanying regulations, if a manufacturer learns that a vehicle contains a defect 20 and that defect is related to motor vehicle safety, the manufacturer must disclose the 21 defect. 49 U.S.C. § 30118(c)(1) & (2). 22 257. In acquiring Old GM, GM expressly assumed the obligations to make all 23 required disclosures under the TREAD Act with respect to all GM-branded vehicles 24 manufactured by Old GM. 25 258. Under the TREAD Act, if it is determined that a vehicle has a safety 26 defect, the manufacturer must promptly notify vehicle owners, purchasers, and 27 dealers of the defect, and may be ordered to remedy the defect. 49 U.S.C. 28 § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).

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259. Under the TREAD Act, manufacturers must also file a report with NHTSA within five working days of discovering "a defect in a vehicle or item of equipment has been determined to be safety related, or a noncompliance with a motor vehicle safety standard has been determined to exist." 49 C.F.R. § 573.6(a) & (b). At a minimum, the report to NHTSA must include: the manufacturer's name; the identification of the vehicles or equipment containing the defect, including the make, line, model year and years of manufacturing; a description of the basis for determining the recall population; how those vehicles differ from similar vehicles that the manufacturer excluded from the recall; and a description of the defect. 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b), (c)(1), (c)(2), & (c)(5).

260. The manufacturer must also promptly inform NHTSA regarding: the total number of vehicles or equipment potentially containing the defect; the percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the defect; a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with its dates of receipt; and a description of the plan to remedy the defect. 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b) & (c).

261. From the date of its inception on July 10, 2009, GM knew of many serious defects affecting many models and years of GM-branded vehicles, both because of the knowledge of Old GM personnel who remained at GM and continuous reports, investigations, and notifications from regulatory authorities. GM became aware of other serious defects years ago, but concealed all of them until recently.

262. GM was also aware that it valued cost-cutting over safety, selected parts from the cheapest supplier regardless of quality, and actively discouraged employees from finding and flagging known safety defects, and that this approach would necessarily cause the existence of more defects in the vehicles it designed and manufactured and the failure to disclose and remedy defects in all GM-branded vehicles.

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263. According to a recent report from the Center for Auto Safety, some2,004 deaths and injuries are connected with recently recalled GM-branded vehicles,and GM should have recalled the vehicles years ago.

264. By failing to disclose and by actively concealing the many defects in GM-branded vehicles, by marketing its vehicles as safe, reliable, and of high quality, and by claiming to be a reputable manufacturer that valued safety and stood behind its vehicles after they were sold, GM engaged in deceptive business practices prohibited by the CLRA, CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, *et seq*.

265. Though required to by the TREAD Act, GM failed for many years to inform NHTSA about known defects in GM-branded vehicles. Consequently, the public, including Plaintiff and the Class, received no notice of the many defects and their drastic consequences.

266. GM owed Plaintiff and the Class a duty to comply with the TREAD Act and disclose the many defects plaguing GM-branded vehicles, because GM:

a. Possessed exclusive knowledge of the defects rendering the GM branded vehicles inherently more dangerous, unreliable and less valuable than
 otherwise similar vehicles;

b. Intentionally concealed the hazards facing GM-branded vehicle
 owners by failing to comply with the TREAD Act, which required the disclosure of
 the defects;

c. GM marketed all of its vehicles as safe, reliable, and high quality in order to entice Plaintiff and the Class to purchase the Affected Vehicles; and

d. Whether or not a manufacture is reputable, makes safe and reliable
vehicles, and stands behind its vehicles after they are sold was highly material
information to Plaintiff and the Class.

267. GM's unfair or deceptive acts or practices were likely to and did in fact deceive reasonable consumers, including Plaintiff, about the true safety and reliability

of GM-branded vehicles, the quality of the GM brand, the devaluing of safety at GM, and the true value of the Affected Vehicles.

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268. Because of its violations of the CLRA detailed above, GM caused actual damage to Plaintiff and the Class. GM's violations caused the diminution in value of the Class members' vehicles which are now worth less than they would have been had GM timely disclosed the defects. Because GM fraudulently concealed the many defects in GM-branded vehicles resulting in a raft of negative publicity once the defects finally began to be disclosed, the value of the Affected Vehicles has greatly diminished. In light of the stigma attached to those vehicles by GM's conduct, they are now worth significantly less than they otherwise would be.

269. Plaintiff sent a CLRA Notice Letter to GM on June 11, 2014. After thirty days, Plaintiff will, under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(a), seek monetary relief against GM measured as the diminution of the value of their vehicles caused by GM's violations of the CLRA as alleged herein.

270. Under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(b), Plaintiff will seek an additional award against GM of up to \$5,000 for each Class member who qualifies as a "senior citizen" or "disabled person" under the CLRA. GM knew or should have known that its conduct was directed to one or more Class members who are senior citizens or disabled persons. GM's conduct caused one or more of these senior citizens or disabled persons to suffer a substantial loss of property set aside for retirement or for personal or family care and maintenance, or assets essential to the health or welfare of the senior citizen or disabled person. One or more Class members who are senior citizens or disabled persons are substantially more vulnerable to GM's conduct because of age, poor health or infirmity, impaired understanding, restricted mobility, or disability, and each of them suffered substantial physical, emotional, or economic damage resulting from GM's conduct.

271. Plaintiff will also seek punitive damages against GM because it carried out reprehensible conduct with willful and conscious disregard of the rights and

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1 safety of others, subjecting Plaintiff and the Class to potential cruel and unjust hardship as a result. GM intentionally and willfully concealed and failed to inform 2 NHTSA of over 17 million unsafe and unreliable vehicles. Further, GM deceived 3 4 Plaintiff by concealing material facts that only it knew concerning its valuation of 5 cost-cutting over safety and its encouragement to employees to conceal safety issues, 6 all to boost its sales and avoid the expense and public relations problem of correcting 7 serious flaws in millions of GM-branded vehicles. GM's unlawful conduct 8 constitutes malice, oppression, and fraud warranting punitive damages under CAL. 9 CIV. CODE § 3294.

272. Plaintiff further seeks an order enjoining unfair or deceptive acts or practices, restitution, punitive damages, costs of court, attorneys' fees under CAL.CIV. CODE § 1780(e), and any other just and proper relief available under the CLRA.

273. Plaintiff includes an affidavit with this Complaint that shows that venue in this District is proper, to the extent such an affidavit is required by CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(d).

#### **COUNT III**

## VIOLATION OF THE CALIFORNIA UNFAIR COMPETITION LAW (Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200, *et seq.*)

274. Plaintiff Anna Andrews (in this Count referred to as "Plaintiff") brings this claim solely on behalf of Class members who are residents of California (the "California Class," in this Count referred to as the "Class").

275. Plaintiff realleges and incorporates by reference all the preceding and following paragraphs as though fully set forth herein.

276. California Business and Professions Code section 17200 prohibits any "unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business act or practices." GM has engaged in unlawful, fraudulent, and unfair business acts and practices in violation of the UCL.

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277. GM violated the unlawful prong of section 17200 by its violations of the CLRA, CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, *et seq.*, as set forth in California Class Count II and by the acts and practices set forth in this Complaint.

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278. GM also violated the unlawful prong because it engaged in business acts or practices that are unlawful because they violate the TREAD Act, 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101, *et seq.*, and its regulations.

279. GM violated the TREAD Act when it failed to timely inform NHTSA of the many defects in GM-branded vehicles.

280. GM violated the unfair and fraudulent prong of section 17200 because, in failing or refusing to: (i) inform NHTSA and consumers about the myriad serious defects affecting the safety and reliability of more than 17 million GM-branded vehicles; (ii) inform consumers about GM's devaluation of safety, its cost-cutting and discouragement of raising safety issues; while (iii) marketing its vehicles as safe and reliable, GM precluded reasonable consumers from discovering that GM was a disreputable manufacturer of unsafe and unreliable vehicles, and did not stand behind its vehicles once they were purchased. The information that GM was required to disclose concerning the many known and serious defects in GM-branded vehicles was material to a reasonable consumer.

281. GM also violated the unfair prong of section 17200 because the acts and practices set forth in the Complaint offend established public policy, and also because the harm GM caused consumers greatly outweighs any benefits associated with those practices. GM's conduct has also impaired competition within the automotive vehicles market and has prevented Plaintiff and the Class from making fully informed decisions about whether to lease or purchase the Affected Vehicles.

282. Plaintiff and the Class have suffered an injury, including the loss of money or property, because of GM's unfair, unlawful, and/or deceptive practices.GM failed to inform NHTSA, and therefore failed to inform consumers, that more than 17 million GM-branded vehicles had serious defects, all in violation of Section

1 17200 of the UCL. GM also misrepresented itself as a reputable manufacturer that 2 valued safety when in fact just the opposite was true. These violations caused the 3 diminution in value of Class members' vehicles which are now worth less than they would have been had GM timely disclosed the many defects. Because GM 4 5 fraudulently concealed the defects and its irresponsible and fraudulent practices 6 concerning safety, resulting in a raft of negative publicity once the defects finally began to be disclosed, the value of the Affected Vehicles has greatly diminished. In 7 8 light of GM's conduct and the stigma now thereby attached to the Affected Vehicles, 9 their value has plummeted.

283. Further, Class members did not receive the benefit of their bargain and overpaid for their vehicles as a result of GM's unfair and deceptive conduct in violation of the TREAD Act, the CLRA, and Section 17200 of the UCL. Had these Class members been aware that GM was concealing serious defects in more than 17 million GM-branded vehicles and systematically devalued safety, they would have either paid less for their Affected Vehicles or would not have purchased the vehicles at all.

284. All of the wrongful conduct alleged herein occurred, and continues to occur, in the conduct of GM's business. GM's wrongful conduct is part of a pattern or generalized course of conduct that is still perpetuated and repeated, both in California and nationwide.

285. Plaintiff and the Class have suffered an injury, including the loss of money or property, due to GM's unfair, unlawful, and/or deceptive practices.

286. Plaintiff requests that this Court enter such orders or judgments as may be necessary, including a declaratory judgment that GM has violated the UCL; an order enjoining GM from continuing its unfair, unlawful, and/or deceptive practices; an order and judgment restoring to the Class members any money lost as a result of unfair, unlawful, and deceptive trade practices, including restitution and disgorgement of any profits GM received as a result of its unfair, unlawful, and/or deceptive

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1 practices, as provided in CAL. CIV. CODE § 17203, CAL CIV. PROC. § 384 and CAL. 2 CIV. CODE § 3345; and for such other relief as may be just and proper. 3 VIII. PRAYER FOR RELIEF 4 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf all others similarly 5 situated, respectfully requests that this Court enter a judgment against GM and in 6 favor of Plaintiff and the Class, and grant the following relief: 7 Determine that this action may be maintained as a class action and A. 8 certify it as such under Rule 23(b)(3), or alternatively certify all issues and claims that 9 are appropriately certified; and designate and appoint Plaintiff as Class 10 Representative and Plaintiff's chosen counsel as Class Counsel; 11 Declare, adjudge, and decree the conduct of GM as alleged herein to be B. 12 unlawful, unfair, and/or deceptive, and enjoin any such future conduct; 13 C. Award Plaintiff and Class members actual, compensatory damages or, in 14 the alternative, statutory damages, as proven at trial; 15 D. Award Plaintiff and the Class members exemplary damages in such 16 amount as proven; 17 E. Award damages and other remedies as allowed by the laws of the States 18 as alleged in the State Class counts; 19 F. Award Plaintiff and the Class members their reasonable attorneys' fees, 20 costs, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest; and 21 G. Award Plaintiff and the Class members such other further and different 22 relief as the case may require or as determined to be just, equitable, and proper by this 23 Court. 24 IX. JURY TRIAL DEMAND 25 Plaintiff requests a trial by jury on the legal claims, as set forth herein. 26 27 28

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3	could competently testify thereto.				
4	2. I am a Plaintiff in the above-entitled action.				
5	3. Pursuant to Cal. Civ. Code § 1780(d), I make this declaration in support				
6	of the Class Action Complaint and the claim therein for relief under Cal. Civ. Code				
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8	4. This action for relief under Cal. Civ. Code § 1780(a) has been				
9	commenced in a county that is a proper place for trial of this action because				
10	Defendant does business in this District (the Central District of California) and				
11	throughout the State of California.				
12	5. The Complaint filed in this matter contains causes of action for				
13	violations of the Consumers Legal Remedies Act against General Motors, LLC				
14	("GM"), a Delaware limited liability company doing business nationwide, including				
15	California.				
16	6. I own a 2010 Buick LaCrosse which I purchased used in Cathedral City,				
17	California on August 25, 2011.				
18	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that				
19	the foregoing Declaration is true and correct, and was executed by me in the city of				
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# UNITED STATES DISTRICT OF NEW YORK TO THE STATES DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

THOMAS STEVENSON,

Plaintiff,

Case No.:

CLASS ACTION

**CLASS ACTION COMPLAINT** 

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v.

GENERAL MOTORS LLC,

Defendant.

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

Plaintiff Thomas Stevenson, individually and on behalf of all similarly situated persons and the general public, brings this action against Defendant General Motors LLC ("Defendant" or "GM") and alleges as follows:

#### I. INTRODUCTION

1. This case arises out of General Motors ("GM") and its predecessor's<sup>1</sup> failure to disclose and lengthy concealment of a known defect affecting the Electronic Power Steering ("EPS") system of over 1.3 million vehicles and compromising the safety and integrity of those vehicles.

2. To protect consumers and the public, automakers are obligated to timely report and address safety issues with the vehicles they manufacture. During a recent press conference about a settlement with GM, NHTSA Acting Administrator David Friedman, emphasized that: "Quickly addressing and reporting safety defects should always be a car maker's bottom line. There is no such thing as an automaker overreacting to a safety defect."<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> GM was incorporated in 2009. As discussed in section IV(A), on July 5, 2009, GM acquired substantially all assets and assumed certain liabilities of its predecessor, General Motors Corporation, through a Section 363 sale pursuant to Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. This Complaint refers to GM's predecessor as "Old GM."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> May 16, 2014 press conference regarding settlement between NHTSA and GM.

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When an automaker learns that a vehicle has a safety defect its legal obligations – 3. and GM's legal obligations - are clear: the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act ("TREAD Act")<sup>3</sup> and its accompanying regulations, requires automakers, including GM, to promptly disclose the defect.<sup>4</sup> If it is determined that the vehicle is defective, the automaker may be required to notify vehicle owners, purchasers, and dealers of the defect, and may be required to remedy the defect.<sup>5</sup>

The safety defect at issue in this case involves the EPS system. Essentially, the 4 defect can cause the vehicle's EPS to suddenly fail during normal driving, requiring greater effort by the driver to manually steer the vehicle and increases the risk of collisions and injuries. It affects over 1.3 million vehicles sold by GM and its predecessor Old GM. Those vehicles include the following makes and models:

- A. 2004-2006 and 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu;
- Β. 2004-2006 Chevrolet Malibu Maxx;
- 2009-2010 Chevrolet HHR (non-turbo); C.
- D. 2010 Chevrolet Cobalt;
- E. 2005-2006 and 2008-2009 Pontiac G6;
- F. 2004-2007 Saturn Ion; and
- G. 2008-2009 Saturn Aura.
- 5. This Complaint refers to these vehicles as "Defective Vehicles."

6. In addition to the issues with the EPS system, GM similarly recalled other makes and models for problems arising from defects with the ignition switch system, which also impacted the EPS system. Specifically, when a Defective Vehicle's engine and electrical system shuts down, the power steering and power brakes also shut down, creating a serious risk of accident.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101-30170.
<sup>4</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(c)(1) & (2).
<sup>5</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).

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7. From 2004 until March of 2014, GM concealed and did not fix the serious quality and safety problems affecting the Defective Vehicles.

8. The EPS system defects could and should have been reported and corrected years ago.

9. From at least 2004 to the present, both Old GM and GM received reports of crashes and injuries that put GM on notice of the serious safety issues presented by its EPS system.

10. Instead of complying with its obligation to report and address the safety defects, GM concealed them. GM's non-disclosure and concealment put drivers of Defective Vehicles, as well as their passengers and the public at an unreasonable risk of injury or death. GM's conduct also allowed unsuspecting new and used car purchasers to continue to buy the Defective Vehicles.

11. The investigation into the EPS system defects revealed at least 12 crashes linked to loss of power steering assist, two of which resulted in injuries to the drivers. Plaintiff believes the actual numbers to be much higher.

12. Following GM's eventual EPS recall in March 2014, GM's CEO, Mary Barra, admitted in a video message that: "Something went wrong with our process in this instance, and terrible things happened."

13. GM recently agreed to a settlement with the NHTSA that includes a \$35 million dollar fine - the maximum amount the NHTSA can fine GM for a single reporting violation. The fine equals less than 1% of GM's earnings over the last year. The Department of Transportation has asked Congress to raise the fine limit to \$300 million.

#### **II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

14. This Court has diversity jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a) and (d) because the amount in controversy for the Class exceeds \$5,000,000, and Plaintiff and other Class members are citizens of a different state than Defendant. 15. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Plaintiff because Plaintiff submits to the Court's jurisdiction. This Court has personal jurisdiction over GM because GM conducts substantial business in this District.

16. Venue is also proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because, as a corporation, GM is deemed to reside in any judicial district in which it is subject to personal jurisdiction. Additionally, GM transacts substantial business within the District, so GM is subject to personal jurisdiction in this District.

#### **III. PARTIES**

17. Plaintiff and proposed Nationwide and California State Class Representative Thomas Stevenson is a resident and citizen of Cayucos, California. Mr. Stevenson purchased a 2007 Saturn Ion on or around November 2007, in Bakersfield, California. In 2008, while Mr. Stevenson was driving his Saturn Ion, he was confronted with a warning chime and dashboard message that read: "PWR STR." Seconds later the EPS system was ineffective and Mr. Stevenson was without power steering. Although the car was still operable after the EPS system lost power, it took considerably more effort to control and steer the vehicle. Inexplicably, the EPS system was again operable after the Saturn Ion was turned off and then back on. Mr. Stevenson took the car to a GM dealership to have the issue addressed, but his claims were met with disbelief because the service technician could not recreate the failure. After the second and third instances, and return to the dealership, Mr. Stevenson was informed that GM authorized dealerships to replace the entire steering column.

18. Because of the EPS system defects, Mr. Stevenson is very concerned for his safety when he drives his vehicle. He also believes the value of his vehicle is now diminished as a result of the EPS system defects. Mr. Stevenson did not learn of the EPS system defects until March 31, 2014, when the recall was announced.

 Defendant General Motors LLC ("GM") is a foreign limited liability company formed under the laws of Delaware maintaining its principal place of business at 300 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan.

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20. GM was incorporated in 2009. As described in below, on July 5, 2009, GM

acquired substantially all assets and assumed certain liabilities of General Motors Corporation

("Old GM") through a sale pursuant to Section 363, Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

## IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

## A. GM's Liability for Its Own Conduct and Liability GM Acquired from Old GM.

21. GM was incorporated in 2009. On July 5, 2009, GM acquired substantially all

assets and assumed certain liabilities of Old GM through a Section 363 sale.

22. When GM acquired Old GM's assets through the Sale Order and Purchase

Agreement ("Purchase Agreement"), it expressly assumed both the responsibilities to report

safety defects in the vehicles sold by Old GM as required by the TREAD ACT and Old GM's

"lemon law" obligations.<sup>6</sup>

23. The liabilities and obligations expressly assumed by GM include the following:

From and after the Closing, Purchaser [GM] shall comply with the certification, reporting and recall requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Act, the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act, the Clean Air Act, the California Health and Safety Code, and similar laws, in each case, to the extent applicable in respect of vehicles and vehicle parts manufactured or distributed by [Old GM].

24. GM expressly assumed:

[A]ll Liabilities arising under express written warranties of [Old GM] that are specifically identified as warranties and delivered in connection with the sale of new, certified used or pre-owned vehicles or new or remanufactured motor vehicle parts and equipment (including service parts, accessories, engines and transmissions) manufactured or sold by [Old GM] or Purchaser prior to or after the Closing and (B) all obligations under Lemon Laws.

25. GM also expressly assumed "all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect

of, or in connection with the use, ownership or sale of the Purchased Assets after the closing."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The applicability of the bar on successor liability claims against GM for the acts and omissions of Old GM prior to the Sale Order is an issue that is currently pending in Bankruptcy Court in the Southern District of New York. To the extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Court, Plaintiff herein will seek leave of this Court to amend this Complaint to add successor liability claims against GM for the acts and omissions of Old GM.

Those assets included all of old GM's contracts, including its contracts with dealers and service centers.

26. Additionally, since its inception, GM has profited from servicing and selling parts for Defective Vehicles sold by GM and Old GM. Therefore, GM had a duty to disclose its knowledge of the EPS system defects, and not to conceal the defects. GM is liable for its acts and omissions after the July 5, 2009 Purchase Agreement and for Old GM's "lemon law" liability it expressly assumed under the Purchase Agreement.

#### B. The EPS System Defects Cause the Defective Vehicles to Lose Power Steering Assist, Requiring Greater Driver Effort and Increasing the Risk of Crash.

27. Electronic power steering systems, which supplement the torque a driver must apply to the steering wheel of a vehicle, have replaced traditional hydraulic power steering in many newer-model vehicles. The traditional hydraulic power steering accomplished the same results by using pistons in the steering rack with pressurized fluid. The hydraulic pump, which pressurized the fluid, was powered by the vehicle's engine; drawing energy from the engine regardless of whether the driver was turning the wheel. Because the hydraulic pump was constantly drawing energy away from the engine, it created inefficiencies and increased fuel consumption.

28. To reduce those inefficiencies and increase fuel economy, GM and other automakers have done away with the traditional hydraulic power steering systems in favor of electronic power steering systems. With these electronic power steering systems, like the one introduced by GM that is the subject of this lawsuit, the hydraulic pump and pistons are replaced by an electronic motor attached to the steering rack that applies torque when the vehicle senses that the steering wheel has been turned. Because the electric motor is not powered by the vehicle's engine, manufacturers have realized improved fuel economy and are able to fine tune vehicle steering.

29. Because the electronic power steering systems and the electronic motors – including the EPS system – are not powered by the vehicle's engine, however, power steering

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assist in vehicles equipped with the EPS system is dependent on the proper functioning of the electronic power steering system.

30. In the Defective Vehicles, there may be a sudden loss of electric power steering assist *that could occur at any time while driving*. According to NHTSA, if power steering assist is lost a message is displayed on the Driver Information Center and a chime sounds to inform the driver.

31. Sudden loss of power steering assist in the EPS system can occur in the Defective Vehicles if (1) the system loses electrical power; or (2) whenever the system detects a fault that requires it to enter fail-safe operation mode, removing power from the EPS motor.

32. GM claims that a buildup of brush debris mixed with oily material could cause the EPS system's motor to stop working, resulting in the loss of power steering assist in the Defective Vehicles.

33. When the Defective Vehicles lose power steering assist, the Defective Vehicles revert to manual steering, which requires significantly more torque and effort to be applied by the driver, increasing the risk of crash – especially if the vehicle is mid-turn.

## C. GM Concealed the Electric Power Steering Defects for Years and Did Not Recall the Vast Majority of Defective Vehicles until March 2014.

34. Over 1.3 million vehicles sold by Old GM and later GM between 2003 and 2010 had the EPS safety defect that caused the vehicle's EPS system to suddenly fail during normal driving.

35. In 2009, when GM assumed Old GM's obligation to report any known, dangerous defects in GM vehicles, it knew about the EPS defect.

36. In March 2010, GM recalled model years 2005-2010 of the Chevrolet Cobalt for and model years 2007-2010 of the Pontiac G6 for EPS defects. GM did not recall many other vehicles with the same EPS system that had the same problem.

37. In April 2010, one month after GM agreed to the limited recall, GM sent a letter to NHTSA informing NHTSA that it had information indicating that the 2004-2007 model year

Saturn Ions were likewise affected by EPS defects leading sources to question whether the Saturn Ions should also have been included in the March 2010 recall.

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38. In September 2011, due to consumer complaints, NHTSA opened an investigation into the EPS defect in Saturn Ions.

39. Importantly, NHTSA database records show complaints from Saturn Ion owners as early as June 2004, with the first injury reported in May 2007. In total, NHTSA linked approximately 12 crashes and two injuries to the EPS defect in the Saturn Ions. But GM did nothing.

40. In 2011, GM CEO Mary Barra – then head of product development – was advised by engineer Terry Woychowski that there was a serious power steering issue in Saturn Ions.<sup>7</sup> Ms. Barra was also aware of the ongoing NHTSA investigation. At the time, NHTSA reportedly came close to concluding that Saturn Ions should have been included in GM's 2010 steering recall of Cobalt and G6 vehicles. Despite having this knowledge, GM did not recall additional vehicles.

41. Three years later, on March 31, 2014, GM finally announced a recall of the approximately 1.3 million Defective Vehicles in the United States affected by the EPS defect. The March 2014 recall finally included the Saturn Ion model years 2004-2007, along with the: 2004-2006 and 2008-2009 model year Chevrolet Malibu; 2004-2006 model year Chevrolet Malibu Maxx; 2009-2010 model year Chevrolet HHR; 2010 model year Chevrolet Cobalt; 2005-2006 and 2008-2009 model year Pontiac G6; and 2008-2009 model year Saturn Aura.

42. GM provided dealers with notice of the later recall on March 31, 2014, and mailed letters to some of the current owners of the Defective Vehicles in June, 2014, announcing and explaining the recall. Under the recall, the dealers are to conduct the following repairs according to one of four bulletins:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> October 3, 2011 Email from Terry Woyochowski to Mary Barra regarding NYT on ION Upgrade, available at: http://democrats.energycommerce.house.gov/sites/default/files/documents/E-mail-Woychowski-Barra.pdf

- Bulletin 14115, which covers model year 2004-2007 Saturn Ion, 2009-2010 Chevrolet HHR and 2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, instructs dealers to replace the EPS system motor;
- b. Bulletin 14116, which covers model year 2004-2006 Chevrolet Malibu and Malibu Maxx, 2005-2006 Pontiac G6 and 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from March 1, 2008, through June 27, 2008, instructs dealers to replace the torque sensor assembly of those models;
- c. Bulletin 14117, which covers model year 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from February 1, 2008, through February 28, 2008, instructs dealers to replace the torque sensor assembly and EPS motor controller unit; and
- d. Bulletin 14118 covers model year 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from October 1, 2007, through January 31, 2008, instructs dealers to replace the EPS motor controller unit.

43. After announcing the March 31, 2014 recall, Jeff Boyer, GM's Vice President of Global Vehicle Safety, acknowledged that GM recalled some of these same vehicle models previously for the same issue, but that GM "did not do enough."

44. Similarly, in a video message addressed to GM employees on March 17, 2014, CEO Mary Barra admitted that the Company had made mistakes and needed to change its processes. According to Ms. Barra, "[s]omething went terribly wrong in our processes in this instance, and terrible things happened." Ms. Barra went on to promise, "[w]e will be better because of this tragic situation if we seize this opportunity."<sup>8</sup>

45. Significantly, documents released by NHTSA show that GM received nearly4,800 consumer complaints and more than 30,000 claims for warranty repairs related to the EPS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> "Something Went 'Very Wrong' at G.M., Chief Says." N.Y. TIMES (Mar. 18, 2014).

problem on the Saturn Ion. That translates to a complaint rate of 14.3 incidents per thousand vehicles and a warranty claim rate of 9.1 percent. By way of comparison, NHTSA has described as "high" a complaint rate of 250 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.<sup>9</sup> Here, the rate translates to 1430 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.

#### D. GM Advertised the Defective Vehicles as Safe.

46. On information and belief, GM's marketing and advertising materials consistently promoted all its vehicles, including the Defective Vehicles sold after July 5, 2009, as safe and reliable.

47. For example, a radio ad that ran from GM's inception until July 16, 2010, stated that "[a]t GM, building quality cars is the most important thing we can do."

48. An online ad for "GM certified" used vehicles that ran from July 6, 2009 until April 5, 2010 stated that "GM certified means no worries."

49. The Chevrolet brand ran television ads in 2010 showing parents bringing their newborn babies home from the hospital, with the tagline "[a]s long as there are babies, there'll be Chevys to bring them home."

50. Another 2010 television ad informed consumers that "Chevrolet's ingenuity and integrity remain strong, exploring new areas of design and power, while continuing to make some of the safest vehicles on earth."

51. A national online ad campaign for GM in April of 2012 stressed "Safety. Utility. Performance."

52. A national print ad campaign in April of 2013 stated that "[w]hen lives are on the line, you need a dependable vehicle you can rely on. Chevrolet and GM...for power, performance and safety."

53. A December 2013 GM testimonial ad stated that "GM has been able to deliver a quality product that satisfies my need for dignity and safety."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/results.cfm?action\_number=EA06002&SearchType=QuickSearch&summary=true.

54. GM made these and similar representations to boost new and used vehicle sales and maximize profits at the same time it knew there were EPS system defects in the Defective Vehicles.

55. Throughout the relevant period, GM possessed vastly superior knowledge and information to that of consumers – if not exclusive information – about the design and function of the EPS system in the Defective Vehicles and the existence of the defects in those vehicles.

56. Until recently, GM never informed consumers about the EPS system defect in the Defective Vehicles.

#### E. Plaintiff and Class Members Were Injured by the EPS Defects.

57. The EPS defects have injured Plaintiff and Class members.

58. Plaintiff and Class members' vehicles are worth less than they would be without the defects. A vehicle purchased, leased, or retained with serious safety defects is worth less than the equivalent vehicle leased, purchased, or retained without the defect.

59. A vehicle purchased, leased, or retained under the reasonable assumption that it is safe is worth more than a vehicle known to be subject to the unreasonable risk of accident because of the EPS defects.

60. Plaintiff and those Class members who purchased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, overpaid for their Defective Vehicles as the result of GM's conduct. They paid more for the Defective Vehicles, through a higher purchase price or higher lease payments, than they would have had GM disclosed the EPS system defects. Because GM concealed the EPS system defects, the Plaintiff and Class members did not receive the benefit of the bargain.

61. Plaintiff and Class members now have unsafe vehicles that are worth less than they would have been but for GM's failure to disclose and remedy the EPS defects. Any reasonable consumer would be reluctant to purchase any of the Defective Vehicles, let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicles.

62. There have been at least 12 accidents and multiple injuries linked to the EPS system defects in the Defective Vehicles. However, Plaintiff believes that the actual numbers

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may be much higher, and that there may have been hundreds of deaths and injuries attributable to the EPS defects.

63. If GM had timely disclosed the EPS defects as required by the TREAD Act, the law of fraudulent concealment, tortious interference with contract and the State consumer protection laws set forth below, Plaintiff and Class members' vehicles would now be safe to drive and would be considerably more valuable than they are now. Due to the publicity surrounding GM's conduct and its belated and expanding recall, a stigma has attached to the Defective Vehicles. A reasonable consumer would not purchase a Defective Vehicle now – let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicle.

#### F. GM's Handling of the EPS Defects Is Part of a Pattern of Concealing Safety Defects.

64. Recently-revealed information suggests that GM's egregious mishandling of the EPS defects is part of a pattern of concealing known safety defects in GM vehicles.

65. The federal government's investigation recently revealed that in 2008 training materials that explicitly discouraged employees from using words such as "safety," "safety related," "defect," "serious," and "failure" when communicating about issues with a vehicle. During a press conference, NHTSA Acting Administrator David Friedman said that such training prevented investigators and engineers from "clearly communicat[ing] up the chain when they suspect[ed] a problem." In the same materials, employees were also instructed to avoid words like "deathtrap," "widow maker," "rolling sarcophagus," "Hindenburg," "Titanic," "powder keg," "apocalyptic," "You're toast," and "Kervorkianesque" and phrases like "This is a lawsuit waiting to happen" and "Unbelievable engineering screw-up."

66. Information about other defects – including the ignition switch systems and the electric power steering and airbag issues related to the wiring harness – shows GM's pattern and raises concerns as to whether GM is properly addressing the EPS defects.

#### 1. The Ignition Switch System Defects

67. It is critical that a vehicle remains on and all of its electrical systems operate under normal driving conditions. If an automaker knows about safety defects that affect the

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vehicle's operation and electrical systems, it must promptly notify federal authorities and vehicle owners and correct the problems. GM failed to do so.

- 68. The ignition switch systems in the Defective Vehicles have at least three defects:
  - A. First, the ignition switch is too weak to maintain the key in the "run" position. Therefore, Defective Vehicles and their electrical systems can shut down during ordinary driving. Documents released by GM state that the "detent plunger" is defective in that it does not provide enough torque to hold the key in place during operation.
  - B. Second, the ignition switch is too low, which causes the key and key fob to hang low enough that the driver's knee can easily bump them and inadvertently shut down the vehicle. The Defective Vehicles also use "slotted" keys, which compared to keys with a hole, allow the key ring and fob to hang lower.
  - C. Third, when the ignition switch is in the "accessory" or "off" position, the airbags are immediately disabled. NHTSA's Acting Administrator, David Friedman, recently testified before Congress, that NHTSA is not convinced that the non-deployment of the airbags in the recalled vehicles is solely attributable to a mechanical defect involving the ignition switch:

And it may be even more complicated than that, actually. And that's one of the questions that we actually have in our timeliness query to General Motors. It is possible that it's not simply that the – the power was off, but a much more complicated situation where the very specific action of moving from on to the accessory mode is what didn't turn off the power, but may have disabled the algorithm.

That, to me, frankly, doesn't make sense. From my perspective, if a vehicle – certainly if a vehicle is moving, the airbag's algorithm should require those airbags to deploy. Even if the – even if the vehicle is stopped and you turn from 'on' to 'accessory,' I believe that the airbags should be able to deploy. So this is exactly why we're asking General Motors this question, to understand is it truly a power issue or is there something embedded in their [software] algorithm that is causing this, something that should have been there in their algorithm.10

69. When a Defective Vehicle's engine and electrical system shuts down, the power steering and power brakes also shut down, creating a serious risk of accident. When the electrical system shuts down, the vehicle's airbags and seatbelt pretensioners are disabled, creating a serious risk of serious bodily harm or death if an accident occurs.

70. The Defective Vehicles are, therefore, unreasonably disposed to accidents, and those accidents are unreasonably likely to result in serious bodily harm or death to the drivers and passengers of the Defective Vehicles, as well as to other vehicle operators and pedestrians.

#### 2. Airbag problems related to defective wiring harnesses

71. Over 1.2 million vehicles sold by Old GM and later GM between 2003 and 2010 had defective wiring harnesses. As the wiring harness connectors in the side-impact airbags ("SIABs") corrode or loosen over time, resistance increases. The airbag sensing system interprets this increase in resistance as a problem, and the "SERVICE AIR BAG" light appears on the dashboard. The light may appear occasionally at first, and the airbags and pretensioners will still deploy. Over time, the resistance can increase to the point where the SIABs, pretensioners, and front center airbags will not deploy in the event of a collision.<sup>11</sup>

72. The problem apparently started when GM switched from using gold-plated terminals to connect its wire harnesses to cheaper tin terminals in 2007.

In June 2008, Old GM experienced a spike in warranty claims for airbag service 73. on certain vehicles.

In September 2008, after testing the cheaper tin terminals, Old GM determined 74. that corrosion and wear to the connectors caused increased resistance in the airbag wiring. So

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Congressional Transcript, Testimony of David Friedman, Acting Administrator of NHTSA (Apr. 2, 2014), at 19.

See GM Notice to NHTSA dated March 17, 2014, at 1.

Old GM released a technical service bulletin on November 25, 2008, for 2008-2009 Buick Enclaves, 2009 Chevy Traverse, 2008-2009 GMC Acadia, and 2008-2009 Saturn Outlook models that instructed dealerships to repair the defect by using Nyogel grease, securing the connectors, and adding slack to the line. Old GM also initiated the transition back to gold-plated terminals in certain vehicles. After these supposed remedies, Old GM suspended all investigation into the defective airbag wiring and took no further action.<sup>12</sup>

GM knew about the airbag problems when it assumed Old GM's obligation to 75. report any known, dangerous defects in GM vehicles.

76. And, in November 2009, GM received similar reports of increased airbag service messages in the 2010 Chevy Malibu and 2010 Pontiac G6 vehicles. After investigating, GM concluded that corrosion and wear in the same tin component caused the airbag problems in the Malibu and G6 models.<sup>13</sup>

77. In January 2010 and after reviewing the Malibu and G6 airbag problems, GM determined that, by ignoring the "SERVICE AIR BAG" light, the resistance could increase so much that a SIAB may not deploy in a side impact collision.

78. On May 11, 2010, GM issued a Customer Satisfaction Bulletin for the Malibu and G6 models instructing dealerships to secure both front seat-mounted and side-impact airbag wire harnesses and, if necessary, to reroute the wire harness.<sup>14</sup>

79. From February to May 2010, GM monitored the data on vehicles with faulty harness wiring issues and noted another spike in airbag service warranty claims leading to the conclusion that the November 2008 bulletin was "not entirely effective in correcting the [wiring] defect present in the vehicles]."

80. On November 23, 2010, GM issued another Customer Satisfaction Bulletin for affected vehicle models, including the 2008 Buick Enclave, 2008 Saturn Outlook, 2008 GMC

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 1-2.
 <sup>13</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 2.

Acadia, models built from October 2007 to March 2008. The bulletin instructed dealerships to secure SIAB harnesses and re-route or replace the SIAB connectors.<sup>15</sup>

81. Then, on February 3, 2011, GM issued a revised Customer Service Bulletin instructing dealerships to replace the front seat-mounted side impact airbag connectors in the same defective vehicles listed in the November 2010 bulletin. In July 2011, GM again replaced its connector. This time GM used a Tyco-manufactured connector featuring a silver sealed terminal.<sup>16</sup>

82. But in 2012 GM noticed another increase in warranty claims relating to SIAB connectors in vehicles built in the second half of 2011. After some analysis, it discovered that inadequate crimping of the Tyco connector terminals caused increased system resistance.

83. In response, GM issued an internal bulletin for 2011-12 Buick Enclaves, Chevy Traverses, and GMC Acadias, recommending dealers repair affected vehicles by replacing the original connector with a new sealed connector.<sup>17</sup>

84. The defect was still uncured, however, because GM experienced another increase in service repairs and buyback activity due to "SERVICE AIR BAGS" lights in 2013.

85. On October 4, 2013, GM began an investigation into airbag connector problems in 2011-2013 Buick Enclaves, Chevy Traverses, and GMC Acadias. The investigation revealed an increase in warranty claims for these models built in late 2011 and early 2012.<sup>18</sup>

86. On February 10, 2014, GM concluded that corrosion and crimping issues were again the cause of the airbag problems.<sup>19</sup>

87. GM initially planned to issue a less-urgent Customer Satisfaction Program to address the airbag problem in the 2010-2013 Defective Vehicles. After, a call with NHTSA on March 14, 2014, that GM finally issued a safety recall on the vehicles with the faulty harness

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 5.

wiring. Consistent with GM's prior dilatory behavior, it took four investigations and at least six service bulletins on the problem before GM finally issued the recall. The recall as first approved covered only 912,000 vehicles, but on March 16, 2014, it was increased to cover approximately 1.2 million vehicles.<sup>20</sup>

88. On March 17, 2014, GM issued a recall for 1,176,407 vehicles potentially afflicted by airbag problem. The recall instructs dealerships to remove driver and passenger SIAB connectors and splice and solder the wires together.<sup>21</sup>

#### V. GM'S DUTY TO DISCLOSE THE EPS SYSTEM DEFECTS

89. It does not matter whether GM or Old GM manufactured or sold a particular Defective Vehicle to a particular purchaser; GM is responsible for its *own* actions with respect to all the Defective Vehicles, and, because GM was aware of the serious safety defects and knew that owners of Defective Vehicles were unaware of those defects, the resulting harm to Class members that occurred as the result of GM's acts and omissions. Under these circumstances, GM had the clear duty to disclose (and not conceal) the EPS system defects, the ignition switch defects, and other safety defects to Plaintiff and Class members - regardless of when they acquired their Defective Vehicles.

90. GM's legal obligations stem from several different sources, including, but not limited to: (i) the obligations it explicitly assumed under the TREAD Act to promptly report any safety defect to NHTSA and Defective Vehicle owners to allow for appropriate remedial action; (ii) the duty it had under the law of fraudulent concealment and tortious interference with contract, as pleaded below; (iii) the duty it had under the State consumer protection laws, as pleaded below; and (iv) the general legal principle embodied in § 324A of the Restatement (Second) of Torts, ("Liability To Third Person For Negligent Performance Of Undertaking").

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 5.
 <sup>21</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 5.

In acquiring Old GM, GM expressly assumed the obligations to make all required 91. disclosures under the TREAD for all the Defective Vehicles, but failed to make those disclosures.

Under TREAD, if it is determined that vehicle has a safety defect, the 92. manufacturer *must* promptly notify vehicle owners, purchasers and dealers of the defect, and may be ordered to remedy the defect.<sup>22</sup>

93. Under TREAD, manufacturers must also file a report with NHTSA within five working days of discovering "a defect in a vehicle or item of equipment has been determined to be safety related, or a noncompliance with a motor vehicle safety standard has been determined to exist."<sup>23</sup> At a minimum, the report to NHTSA must include: the manufacturer's name; the identification of the vehicles or equipment containing the defect, including the make, line, model year and years of manufacturing; a description of the basis for determining the recall population; how those vehicles differ from similar vehicles that the manufacturer excluded from the recall; and a description of the defect.<sup>24</sup>

94. The manufacturer must also promptly inform NHTSA regarding: the total number of vehicles or equipment potentially containing the defect; the percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the defect; a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with its dates of receipt; and a description of the plan to remedy the defect.<sup>25</sup>

GM expressly assumed a duty to all Defective Vehicle owners under the TREAD 95. Act and then violated this duty.

Under § 324A of the Restatement, an entity that undertakes to render services that 96. he should recognize as necessary for the protection of a third person or his things, is subject to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).
<sup>23</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 573.6(a) & (b).
<sup>24</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b), (c)(1), (c)(2), & (c)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b) & (c).

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liability for harm caused to the third person by the entity's failure to exercise reasonable care to protect the undertaking if [] the failure to establish reasonable care increases the risk of such harm ....." While the doctrine was conceived in the context of physical harm, it has grown to include economic loss, such as that suffered by Plaintiff and Class members.

97. *Restatement* § 324A applies to gratuitous undertakings, but applies with even greater force here, where GM is receiving substantial remuneration for its undertaking in relation to its dealerships' service centers. GM, which provides parts for the Defective Vehicles as they are serviced at its dealerships, reaps substantial revenues from dealerships for servicing the Defective Vehicles. It also incidentally benefits when many of the people eventually sell or trade in their Defective Vehicles for new ones.

98. Consumers using GM service centers and buying GM replacement parts necessarily rely on GM to advise its dealerships of defects in a timely manner, notify its dealerships of safety-related issues, and provide its dealerships with accurate and up to date information to enable them to remedy defects. GM's failure to carry out these obligations has increased the risk of harm to owners of Defective Vehicles, who regularly have their vehicles inspected and serviced at GM dealerships and rely upon representations that the vehicles are safe and free of defects.

99. GM's dealerships rely on GM's expertise regarding how the vehicles should be maintained and what conditions are necessary for the dealer to conclude that the vehicles are in proper working order at the time they are inspected, serviced and released back to the owner. The dealerships further rely on GM to assure the safety of its vehicles, inform them of safety related problems that come to GM's attention, and to pass along knowledge regarding defects and repairs for those defects. Dealers servicing the Defective Vehicles, as well as the consumers who go to a GM dealership for repairs, rely on GM's representations that the vehicles and their component parts and safety features will function correctly if certain conditions are met when the vehicles are inspected and serviced. GM's breach of its obligations to its dealerships has resulted in harm to Plaintiff and Class members.

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#### VI. CLASS ALLEGATIONS

100. Pursuant to Rules 23(a), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure,

Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of himself and a Class initially defined as follows:

During the fullest period allowed by law, all persons in the United States who own or lease, or who sold after March 1, 2014, one or more of the following GM vehicles: 2004-2006, 2008-2009 Chevy Malibu; 2004-2006 Chevy Malibu Maxx; 2009-2010 Chevy HHR (non-turbo); 2010 Chevy Cobalt; 2005-2006, 2008-2009 Pontiac G6; 2004-2007 Saturn Ion; 2008-2009 Saturn Aura ("Defective Vehicles").

101. To the extent warranted, the list of Defective Vehicles list will be supplemented to include other GM vehicles that have the defective EPS system, which suddenly and unexpectedly lose power steering during ordinary driving conditions.

102. Excluded from the Class are Old GM and GM, their employees, co-conspirators, officers, directors, legal representatives, heirs, successors and wholly or partly owned subsidiaries or affiliates of GM; Class Counsel and their employees; and the judicial officers and their immediate family members and associated court staff assigned to this case, and all persons within the third degree of relationship to any such persons.

103. On information and belief, there are at least 1.3 million Defective Vehicles nationwide. Individual joinder of all Class members is impracticable.

104. The Class expressly disclaims any recovery in this action for physical injury resulting from the EPS system defects. However, the increased risk of injury from the EPS defects serves as an independent justification for the relief sought by Plaintiff and the Class.

105. The Class can be readily identified using registration records, sales records, production records, and other information kept by GM or third parties in the usual course of business and within their control.

106. Questions of law and fact are common to the Class and predominate over questions affecting only individual members. Those questions include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Whether the Defective Vehicles suffer from EPS system defects;
- B. Whether GM concealed the defects;
- C. Whether GM misrepresented that the Defective Vehicles were safe;
- D. Whether GM engaged in fraudulent concealment;
- E. Whether GM tortuously interfered with the contracts between its dealerships and owners of Defective Vehicles;
- F. Whether GM engaged in unfair, deceptive, unlawful and/or fraudulent acts or practices in trade or commerce by failing to disclose that the Defective Vehicles were designed, manufactured, and sold with defective EPS systems;
- G. Whether the alleged conduct by GM violated laws as Plaintiff alleges;
- H. Whether GM's unlawful, unfair, and/or deceptive practices harmed Plaintiff and Class members;
- I. Whether Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to equitable and/or injunctive relief; and
- J. Whether any or all applicable limitations periods are tolled by acts of fraudulent concealment.

107. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Class members, and arise from the same course of conduct by GM. Plaintiff also seeks relief that is typical of the relief sought for the absent Class members.

108. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of all absent Class members. Plaintiff is represented by counsel competent and experienced in product liability, consumer protection, and class action litigation.

109. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because: (1) joinder of all the individual Class members is impracticable; (2) the damages suffered by each individual Class member may be relatively small; (3) the expense and burden of individual litigation adverse GM would make it very difficult or impossible for individual Class members to redress the wrongs done to each of them individually; and (4) the burden imposed on the judicial system by individual actions by 1.3 million individuals would be enormous.

110. The prosecution of separate actions by the individual Class members would also create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications for individual Class members, which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for GM. Conducting this action as a class action – as opposed to separate individual actions – presents far fewer management difficulties, conserves judicial resources and the parties' resources, and protects the rights of each Class member.

111. Plaintiff is not aware of any obstacles likely to be encountered in the management of this action that would preclude its maintenance as a class action. Plaintiff anticipates providing appropriate notice to be approved by the Court after discovery into the size and nature of the Class.

#### VII. TOLLING OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

112. GM's knowing and active fraudulent concealment of the facts stated herein tolls all applicable statute of limitations. Plaintiff and Class members did not discover and were not aware of facts that would have led a reasonable person to suspect that GM did not report information within its knowledge to federal authorities, including the NHTSA, its dealerships or customers. A reasonable and diligent investigation would not have revealed that GM had information in its possession about the existence of safety defects. GM concealed that information until recently.

113. Since July 5, 2009, GM has been under a continuing duty to disclose to NHTSA, its dealerships, Plaintiff and Class members, the true character, quality, and nature of the Defective Vehicles; that this defect is based on dangerous, inadequate, and defective design and/or substandard materials; and that it will require repair, poses a severe safety concern, and diminishes the value of the Defective Vehicles.

114. Because of the active concealment by GM, any and all limitations periods otherwise applicable to Plaintiff's claims have been tolled.

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#### VIII. CAUSES OF ACTION

#### A. Common Law Claims

#### COUNT I FRADULENT CONCEALMENT

115. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

116. GM concealed and suppressed material facts concerning the EPS defects.

117. GM had a duty to disclose the EPS system defects because the defects were known and/or accessible only to GM, which had superior knowledge and access to facts that GM knew were not known to or reasonably discoverable by Plaintiff and Class members. The facts that GM suppressed and concealed were material to Plaintiff and the Class members because they directly impacted the safety of the Defective Vehicles.

118. At the expense of Plaintiff and Class members, GM actively concealed and/or suppressed these material facts, in whole or in part, to protect its profits and avoid a costly recall.

119. On information and belief, GM has still not made full and adequate disclosure and continues to defraud Plaintiff and Class members and conceal material information regarding the defects that exist in the Defective Vehicles and other GM vehicles.

120. Plaintiff and Class members were unaware of these omitted material facts and would not have acted as they did if they had known of the concealed and/or suppressed facts. Plaintiff and Class members' actions were justified because GM was in exclusive control of material facts that were unknown to the public, Plaintiff, or Class members.

121. Plaintiff and Class members sustained damage because of the concealment and/or suppression of the facts; GM's fraudulent concealment of the EPS system defects has diminished the value of Plaintiff's and the Class members' vehicles and tarnished the reputation of the Defective Vehicles, making any reasonable consumer reluctant to purchase any of the Defective Vehicles, let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicles.

122. Class members who purchased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, either would have paid less for the vehicles or would not have purchased them at all had they been aware of the material facts that GM concealed and suppressed. Thus, as a result of GM"s fraudulent concealment, Plaintiff and the Class members did not receive the benefit of their bargain.

123. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and Class members' rights and well-being to enrich GM. GM's conduct warrants an award of punitive damages, in an amount to be determined at trial, to deter such conduct in the future.

#### COUNT II TORTIOUS INFERFERENCE WITH CONTRACT

124. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

125. The Defective Vehicles sold to Plaintiff and Class members were either serviced or repaired under contracts with GM dealerships. Under those contracts, the GM dealerships were required to service, repair and inspect the Defective Vehicles and ensure that any safety defects were repaired or, at a minimum, that owners of Defective Vehicle were apprised of safety defects and advised of the means and cost of repairing any such defects.

126. GM was aware that its dealerships were servicing and repairing Defective Vehicles and that those dealerships relied on GM to advise them of any known safety defects in the vehicles. GM educated and advised dealerships on the proper procedures for evaluating and servicing vehicles. On information and belief, in repairing and servicing GM vehicles, GM dealerships follow protocols set by GM and those protocols omitted information and procedures necessary to identify and repair problems resulting from the EPS system defects.

127. GM was aware of the EPS system defects on July 5, 2009, but chose not to inform its dealerships of the nature and extent of the defects to avoid the substantial cost and negative publicity of a recall. GM also knew that, by concealing its knowledge of the EPS system defects,

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it would cause its dealerships to return serviced and repaired Defective Vehicles to their owners, including Plaintiff and the Class members, without having repaired the EPS system defects.

128. GM's intentional concealment of the EPS system defects from its dealerships caused its dealerships to breach their service and repair agreements with owners of Defective Vehicles.

129. As intended, GM profited from its dealerships' servicing and provision of parts to owners of Defective Vehicles.

130. As a result of GM's intentional concealment of the EPS system defects from its dealerships, Plaintiff and Class members suffered damages. Their vehicles remained defective, and have significantly declined in value because the dealers did not effectively service and/or repair Defective Vehicles, as they were required to do under their contracts with owners of Defective Vehicles.

131. Plaintiff and Class members seek the difference in value between their vehicles in their defective state and what the value would have been had GM's dealerships remedied the EPS system defect as they were obligated to do under their contracts with owners of Defective Vehicles.

132. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and Class members' rights and well-being to enrich GM. GM's conduct was particularly egregious as it continued to reap profits from owners of Defective Vehicles while concealing its knowledge of the costly and dangerous EPS system defects that placed Defective Vehicle owners, their passengers, other drivers and their passengers at significant risk. GM's conduct shows a blatant disregard for the rights of owners of Defective Vehicles. Accordingly, Plaintiff seeks punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

133. Plaintiff also seeks other remedies deemed appropriate by the Court.

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**State Statutory Claims B**.

#### **COUNT III** VIOLATIONS OF THE CONSUMER LEGAL REMEDIES ACT (CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, et seq.)

Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if 134. fully set forth herein.

GM is a "person" under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1761(c). 135.

136. Plaintiff and Class members are "consumers," as defined by CAL. CIVIL CODE § 1761(d), who purchased or leased one or more Defective Vehicles.

GM engaged in unfair or deceptive acts or practices that violated CAL. CIV. CODE 137. § 1750, et seq., as described above and below.

Under the TREAD Act, 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101, et seq., and its accompanying 138. regulations, if a manufacturer learns that a vehicle contains a defect and that defect is related to motor vehicle safety, the manufacturer must disclose the defect.<sup>26</sup>

139. When GM acquired Old GM, it expressly assumed the obligations to make all required disclosures under the TREAD Act with respect to all the Defective Vehicles.

Under the TREAD Act, if it is determined that a vehicle has a safety defect, the 140. manufacturer must promptly notify vehicle owners, purchasers and dealers of the defect, and may be ordered to remedy the defect.<sup>27</sup>

141. The TREAD Act also requires manufacturers to file a report with NHTSA within five working days of discovering "a defect in a vehicle or item of equipment has been determined to be safety related, or a noncompliance with a motor vehicle safety standard has been determined to exist."28 At a minimum, the report to NHTSA must include: the manufacturer's name; the identification of the vehicles or equipment containing the defect, including the make, line, model year and years of manufacturing; a description of the basis for

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(c)(1) & (2).
<sup>27</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).
<sup>28</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 573.6(a) & (b).

determining the recall population; how those vehicles differ from similar vehicles that the manufacturer excluded from the recall; and a description of the defect.<sup>29</sup>

The manufacturer is also required to promptly inform NHTSA regarding: the 142. total number of vehicles or equipment potentially containing the defect; the percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the defect; a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with its dates of receipt; and a description of the plan to remedy the defect.<sup>30</sup>

The TREAD Act provides that any manufacturer who violates 49 U.S.C. § 30166 143. must pay a civil penalty to the U.S. Government. The current penalty "is \$7,000 per violation per day," and the maximum penalty "for a related series of daily violations is \$17,350,000."31

144. GM knew of the EPS system problem on July 5, 2009, because of the knowledge of Old GM personnel who remained at GM and because of continuous reports and internal investigations that persisted until only recently.

145. GM admits the defect in the EPS has been linked several accidents and injuries.

146. Despite being aware of the EPS system defects since its inception on July 5, 2009, GM waited until March 2014, before finally sending a letter to NHTSA confessing its knowledge of the EPS system defects, which could cause the vehicles to lose power steering and become difficult to control.

147. GM's knowledge is confirmed by the fact that it previously recalled the Chevrolet Cobalt and Pontiac G6 in March 2010, for similar EPS system defects. Those makes and models employed the same EPS system as other GM models, including Mr. Stevenson's 2007 Saturn Ion, that – inexplicably – were not recalled until March 31, 2014. By failing to disclose and by actively concealing the EPS system defect, and by selling vehicles while violating the TREAD

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b), (c)(1), (c)(2), & (c)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b) & (c). <sup>31</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 578.6(c).

Act and through its other conduct as alleged herein, GM engaged in deceptive business practices prohibited by the California Legal Remedies Act ("CLRA"), CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, et seq.

148. GM failed for many years to inform NHTSA about known defects in the Defective Vehicles' EPS system. Consequently, the public, including Plaintiff and Class members, received no notice of the EPS system defects or that they could unexpectedly lose power steering in their vehicles, making the vehicles significantly more difficult to control and increasing the probability of an accident.

149. GM knew the Defective Vehicles could unexpectedly lose power steering, making the Defective Vehicles significantly more difficult to control and increasing the probability of an accident. Despite having a duty to do so, GM failed to inform NHTSA or warn Plaintiff, the Class members or the public about these inherent dangers.

150. GM owed Plaintiff and Class members a duty to comply with the TREAD Act and disclose the defective nature of the Defective Vehicles, including the EPS system defect and accompanying loss of power steering because GM:

- A. Possessed exclusive knowledge of the EPS system defects rendering the Defective Vehicles inherently more dangerous and unreliable than otherwise similar vehicles; and
- B. Intentionally concealed the hazardous situation with the Defective Vehicles by failing to comply with the TREAD Act, which required the disclosure of the EPS system defects.

151. Defective Vehicles equipped with the faulty EPS system pose an unreasonable risk of death or serious bodily injury to Plaintiff, Class members, passengers, other motorists, and pedestrians, because they are susceptible to sudden loss of power steering resulting in Defective Vehicles becoming increasingly difficult to steer and control, especially at lower speeds.

152. GM's unfair or deceptive acts or practices were likely to and did in fact deceive reasonable consumers, including Plaintiff, about the true safety and reliability of the Defective Vehicles.

153. Because of its CLRA violations detailed above, GM caused actual damage to Plaintiff and, if unabated, will continue to harm Plaintiff and Class members. Plaintiff and Class members currently own or lease Defective Vehicles that are defective and inherently unsafe. These violations caused the diminution in value of Plaintiff's and Class member's vehicles which are now worth less than they would have been had GM timely disclosed the defects. Because GM fraudulently concealed the defects, resulting in a raft of negative publicity once the defects finally began to be disclosed, the value of the Defective Vehicles has greatly diminished. No rational consumer would purchase the Defective Vehicles in light of the stigma attached to those vehicles by GM's conduct.

154. Had GM timely disclosed the EPS system defects, the issue would have been resolved years ago and the value of Plaintiff's Defective Vehicles would not now be diminished.

155. Further, Class members who purchased or leased new or used Defective Vehicles after on or July 5, 2009, did not receive the benefit of their bargain as a result of GM's unfair and deceptive conduct that violated the TREAD Act and the CLRA. Had these Class members been aware of the EPS system defects they would not have purchased the vehicles or would have paid less for their vehicles.

156. Plaintiff and Class members face the risk of irreparable injury as a result of GM's CLRA violations, and these violations present a continuing risk to Plaintiff, Class members and to the general public.

157. Plaintiff seeks an order enjoining unfair or deceptive acts or practices, restitution, punitive damages, costs of court, attorneys' fees under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(e), and any other just and proper relief available under the CLRA.

158. Plaintiff sent a CLRA Notice Letter to GM on March 15, 2014 (Exhibit A). After thirty days, Plaintiff will, under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(a), seek monetary relief against GM

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measured as the diminution of the value of his vehicle caused by GM's violations of the CLRA as alleged herein.

159. Under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(b), Plaintiff will seek an additional award against GM of up to \$5,000 for each Class member who qualifies as a "senior citizen" or "disabled person" under the CLRA. GM knew or should have known that its conduct was directed to one or more Class members who are senior citizens or disabled persons. GM's conduct caused one or more of these senior citizens or disabled persons to suffer a substantial loss of property set aside for retirement or for personal or family care and maintenance, or assets essential to the health or welfare of the senior citizen or disabled person. One or more Class members who are senior citizens or disabled persons are substantially more vulnerable to GM's conduct because of age, poor health or infirmity, impaired understanding, restricted mobility, or disability, and each of them suffered substantial physical, emotional, or economic damage resulting from GM's conduct.

160. Plaintiff will also seek punitive damages against GM because it willfully and consciously disregarded the rights and safety of others, potentially subjecting Plaintiff and Class members to cruel and unjust hardship. GM also intentionally and willfully concealed and failed to inform NHTSA of the unsafe and unreliable Defective Vehicles. GM deceived Plaintiff and Class members on life-or-death matters, and concealed material facts that only it knew, all to avoid the expense and public relations problem of disclosing and correcting a deadly flaw in the Defective Vehicles. GM's unlawful conduct constitutes malice, oppression, and fraud warranting punitive damages under CAL. CIV. CODE § 3294.

161. Plaintiff includes an affidavit with this Complaint that show that venue in this District is proper, to the extent such affidavits are required by CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780(d) (Exhibit B).

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#### COUNT IV VIOLATION OF THE CALIFORNIA UNFAIR COMPETITION LAW (CAL. BUS. & PROF. CODE § 17200, et seq.)

162. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

163. California Business and Professions Code section 17200 prohibits any "unlawful, unfair, or fraudulent business act or practices." GM has engaged in unlawful, fraudulent, and unfair business acts and practices in violation of the UCL.

164. GM violated the unlawful prong of section 17200 by its violations of the CLRA, CAL. CIV. CODE § 1750, *et seq.*, as set forth in Count III and by the acts and practices set forth in this Complaint.

165. GM also violated the unlawful prong because it engaged in business acts or practices that are unlawful because they violate the TREAD Act, 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101, *et seq.*, and its regulations.

166. GM violated the TREAD Act when it failed to timely inform NHTSA of the EPS system defects and allowed cars to be sold and remain on the road with these defects.

167. GM violated the unfair and fraudulent prong of section 17200 because, in failing or refusing to inform NHTSA about a defect affecting the safety and reliability of the Defective Vehicles, GM prevented reasonable owners from discovering their vehicles were unsafe and unreliable. The information that GM was required to disclose to NHTSA about the faulty EPS system was material to a reasonable consumer.

168. GM also violated the unfair prong of section 17200 because the acts and practices set forth in the Complaint, including the manufacture and sale of vehicles with an EPS system defect after July 5, 2009, and GM's failure to adequately disclose the defect to NHTSA so that a remedy could be implemented, offend established public policy, and also because the harm GM caused consumers greatly outweighs any benefits associated with those practices. GM's conduct has also impaired competition within the automotive vehicles market and has prevented Plaintiff

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and Class members from making fully informed decisions about whether to lease, purchase and/or retain the Defective Vehicles.

169. While GM knew of the EPS system defects from the date of its inception on July 5, 2009, it continued to design, manufacture and market the Defective Vehicles until 2011. All the while, GM knew that the vehicles had an unreasonable propensity to shut down during ordinary driving conditions, leading to an unreasonable risk of serious bodily injury or death.

170. Plaintiff and the Class members have suffered an injury, including the loss of money or property, because of GM's unfair, unlawful and/or deceptive practices. GM failed to inform NHTSA, and therefore failed to inform consumers, that its vehicles had a defective EPS system that could lead to injury and death, all in violation of Section 17200 of the UCL. These violations caused the diminution in value of Plaintiff's and Class member's vehicles which are now worth less than they would have been had GM timely disclosed the defects. Because GM fraudulently concealed the defects, resulting in a raft of negative publicity once the defects finally began to be disclosed, the value of the Defective Vehicles has greatly diminished. No rational consumer would purchase the Defective Vehicles in light of GM's conduct and the stigma now attached to the Defective Vehicles.

171. Had GM timely disclosed the EPS defects, the issue would have been resolved years ago and the value of Plaintiff's and Class member's Defective Vehicles would not now be diminished.

172. Further, Class members who purchased or leased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, did not receive the benefit of their bargain and overpaid for their vehicles as a result of GM's unfair and deceptive conduct in violation of the TREAD Act, the CLRA, and Section 17200 of the UCL. Had these Class members been aware of the EPS defects they would have either paid less for their vehicles or would not have purchased the vehicles.

173. All of the wrongful conduct alleged herein occurred, and continues to occur, in the conduct of GM's business. GM's wrongful conduct is part of a pattern or generalized course of conduct that is still perpetuated and repeated, both in California and nationwide.

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174. Plaintiff and Class members have suffered an injury, including the loss of money or property, due to GM's unfair, unlawful and/or deceptive practices.

175. Plaintiff requests that this Court enter such orders or judgments as may be necessary, including a declaratory judgment that GM has violated the UCL; an order enjoining GM from continuing its unfair, unlawful, and/or deceptive practices; an order and judgment restoring to Class members any money lost as a result of unfair, unlawful and deceptive trade practices, including restitution and disgorgement of any profits GM received as a result of its unfair, unlawful and/or deceptive practices, as provided in CAL. BUS. & PROF. CODE § 17203, CAL CIV. PROC. § 384 and CAL. CIV. CODE § 3345; and for such other relief as may be just and proper.

#### COUNT V VIOLATION OF SONG-BEVERLY CONSUMER WARRANTY ACT FOR BREACH OF IMPLIED WARRANTY OF MERCHANTABILITY (CALIFORNIA "LEMON LAW") (CAL. CIV. CODE §§ 1791.1 & 1792)

176. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

177. Plaintiff and Class members who purchased or leased the Defective Vehicles in California are "buyers" within the meaning of CAL. CIV. CODE § 1791(b).

178. The Defective Vehicles are "consumer goods" within the meaning of CIV. CODE § 1791(a).

179. Old GM was a "manufacturer" of the Defective Vehicles within the meaning of CAL. CIV. CODE § 1791(j), and, in acquiring Old GM, GM expressly assumed liability and responsibility for "payment of all [Old ] Liabilities arising under … Lemon Laws," including California's Lemon Law, the Song-Beverly Act.

180. Old GM impliedly warranted to Plaintiff and Class members that its Defective Vehicles were "merchantable" within the meaning of CAL. CIV. CODE §§ 1791.1(a) & 1792; however, the Defective Vehicles do not have the quality that a buyer would reasonably expect, and were therefore not merchantable.

181. CAL. CIV. CODE § 1791.1(a) states: "Implied warranty of merchantability" or "implied warranty that goods are merchantable" means that the consumer goods meet each of the following:

- (1) Pass without objection in the trade under the contract description.
- (2) Are fit for the ordinary purposes for which such goods are used.
- (3) Are adequately contained, packaged, and labeled.
- (4) Conform to the promises or affirmations of fact made on the container or label.

182. The Defective Vehicles would not pass without objection in the automotive trade because of the EPS system defects that cause the Defective Vehicles to inadvertently shut down during ordinary driving conditions, leading to an unreasonable likelihood of accident and an unreasonable likelihood that such accidents would cause serious bodily harm or death to vehicle occupants.

183. Because of the EPS system defects, the Defective Vehicles are not safe to drive and thus not fit for ordinary purposes.

184. The Defective Vehicles are not adequately labeled because the labeling fails to disclose the EPS system defects. GM failed to warn about the dangerous safety defects in the Defective Vehicles

185. Old GM breached the implied warranty of merchantability by manufacturing and selling Defective Vehicles containing defects leading to the potential safety issues during ordinary driving conditions. These defects have deprived Plaintiff and the Class members of the benefit of their bargain and have caused the Defective Vehicles to diminish in value.

186. As a direct and proximate result of Old GM's breach of its duties under California's Lemon Law (for which GM expressly assumed liability), Plaintiff and Class members received goods whose dangerous condition substantially impairs their value to Plaintiff and class members. Plaintiff and Class members have been damaged by the diminished value of Old GM's products, the products' malfunctioning, and the nonuse of their Defective Vehicles.

187. Under CAL. CIV. CODE §§ 1791.1(d) & 1794, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to damages and other legal and equitable relief including, at their election, the purchase price of their Defective Vehicles, or the overpayment or diminution in value of their Defective Vehicles.

188. Under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1794, Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to costs and attorneys' fees.

#### COUNT VI VIOLATION OF MICHIGAN CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT ("MCPA), (Michigan Comp. Laws Ann. § 445.901 et seq.)

189. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

190. This Claim is brought on behalf of nationwide Class of purchasers.

191. At all times relevant hereto, Plaintiff and the nationwide Class members were

"person[s]" within the meaning of MCPA. See M.C.L.A § 445.902(1)(d).

192. At all relevant times hereto, GM was likewise a "person" engaged in "trade or commerce" within the meaning of the MCPA. *See* M.C.L.A. § 445.902(1)(d) and (g).

193. The MCPA holds unlawful certain "[u]nfair, unconscionable, or deceptive methods, acts, or practices in the conduct of trade or commerce." M.C.L.A. § 445.902(1).

194. GM's practices described above violate the MCPA for one or more of the following reasons:

- a. GM represented that the Defective Vehicles had approval, characteristics, uses, and benefits that they do not have;
- b. GM provided, disseminated, marketed, and otherwise distributed false and misleading advertisements, technical data and other information to consumers regarding the safety, performance, reliability, quality, and nature of the Defective Vehicles;
- c. GM represented that the Defective Vehicles were of a particular standard, quality, or grade, when they were of another;

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- d. GM engaged in unconscionable commercial practices in failing to reveal material facts and information about the Defective Vehicles, which did and tended to, mislead Plaintiff and the Class members about facts that could not reasonably be known by the consumer until the March 2014 recall;
- e. GM failed to reveal facts concerning the EPS system defects that were material to the transaction in light of representations of fact made in a positive manner;
- f. GM failed to reveal material facts concerning the EPS system defects to Plaintiff and the Class members, the omission of which would tend to mislead or deceive consumers, including Plaintiff and the Class members;
- g. GM made material representations and statements of fact to Plaintiff and the class members that resulted in Plaintiff and the Class members reasonably believing the represented or suggested state of affairs to be other than what they actually were; and
- h. GM intended that Plaintiff and Class members rely on their misrepresentations and omissions, so that Plaintiff and other Class members would purchase or lease the Defective Vehicles.
- 195. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief to enjoin GM from continuing their unfair and

deceptive acts or; seeks monetary relief against GM measured as the greater of (a) actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial and (b) statutory damages in the amount of \$250 for Plaintiff and each Class member; reasonable attorneys' fees; and any other just and proper relief available under the Mich. Comp. L. Ann. § 445.911.

196. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and Class members' rights and well-being to enrich GM. GM's conduct was particularly egregious as it continued to reap profits from owners of Defective Vehicles while concealing its knowledge of the costly and dangerous EPS system defects that placed Defective Vehicle owners, their passengers, other drivers and their passengers at significant risk. GM's conduct shows a blatant disregard for the rights of owners of Defective Vehicles. Accordingly, Plaintiff also seeks punitive damages against GM because GMs' unlawful conduct constitutes malice, oppression, and fraud warranting punitive damages.

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#### COUNT VI VIOLATIONS OF STATE CONSUMER PROTECTION LAWS

197. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

198. Plaintiff and Class members are consumers who purchased or leased one or more Defective Vehicles.

199. GM had a statutory duty to refrain from unfair or deceptive acts or practices.

200. GM violated this duty by failing to disclose and by actively concealing the EPS defect, and by selling vehicles while violating the TREAD Act and through its other conduct as alleged herein.

201. GM's unfair or deceptive acts or practices were likely to and did in fact deceive reasonable consumers, including Plaintiff, about the true safety and reliability of the Defective Vehicles.

202. As a proximate result of GM's unfair, unlawful and/or deceptive practices, Plaintiff and Class members suffered injury, including the loss of money or property. GM's actions, as alleged herein, caused the diminution in value of Plaintiff's and Class members vehicles which are now worth less than they would have been had GM timely disclosed the defects. Because GM fraudulently concealed the defects, resulting in a raft of negative publicity once the defects finally began to be disclosed, the value of the Defective Vehicles has greatly diminished. No rational consumer would purchase the Defective Vehicles in light of GM's conduct and the stigma now attached to the Defective Vehicles.

203. Further, Class members who purchased or leased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, did not receive the benefit of their bargain and overpaid for their vehicles as a result of GM's unfair and deceptive conduct in violation of the TREAD Act, the CLRA, and Section 17200 of the UCL. Had these Class members been aware of the EPS defects they would have either paid less for their vehicles or would not have purchased the vehicles.

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204. GM's actions, as alleged herein, constitute unfair compensation or unfair, unconscionable, deceptive or fraudulent acts or practices in violation of various state consumer protection statutes listed below:

205. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ala. Code § 8-19-1, *et seq*.

206. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 44-1522, *et seq.* 

207. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ark. Code § 4-88-101, *et seq.* 

208. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-105, *et seq.* 

209. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Conn. Gen. Stat. § 42-110b, *et seq*.

210. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of 6 Del. Code § 2511, *et seq*.

211. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of D.C. Code § 28-3901, *et seq*.

212. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Fla. Stat. § 501.201, *et seq*.

213. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ga. Code Ann. § 10-1-370, *et seq.* and Ga. Code Ann. § 10-1-390, *et seq.* 

214. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Haw. Rev. Stat. § 480, *et seq.* 

215. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Idaho Code § 48-601, *et seq*.

216. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of 815 ILCS § 505/1, *et seq.* 

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217. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Kan. Stat. § 50-623, *et seq*.

218. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Md. Com. Law Code § 13-101, *et seq.* 

219. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 93A, *et seq.* 

220. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Mich. Stat. § 445-901, *et seq*.

221. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Minn. Stat. § 325F.67, *et seq*.

222. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Mo. Rev. Stat. § 407.010, *et seq.* 

223. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 59-1601, *et seq*.

224. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Nev. Rev. Stat. § 598.0903, *et seq*.

225. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.H. Rev. Stat. § 358-A:l, *et seq.* 

226. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.J. Stat. Ann. § 56:8-1, *et seq*.

227. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.M. Stat. Ann. § 57-12-1, *et seq*.

228. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.Y. Gen. Bus. Law § 349, *et seq*.

229. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 75-1.1, *et seq*.

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230. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.D. Cent. Code § 51-15-0, *et seq*.

231. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ohio Rev. Stat. § 1345.01, *et seq.* 

232. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Okla. Stat. tit. 15 § 751, *et seq*.

233. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Or. Rev. Stat. § 646.605, *et seq*.

234. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of 73 Pa. Stat. § 201-1, *et seq*.

235. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of R.I. Gen. Laws. § 6-13.1-1, *et seq.* 

236. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of S.C. Code Laws § 39-5-10, *et seq*.

237. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of S.D. Code Laws § 37-24-1, *et seq*.

238. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Tenn. Code § 47-18-101, *et seq*.

239. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Tex. Bus. & Com. Code § 17.41, *et seq.* 

240. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 13-11-1, *et seq*.

241. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Vt. Stat. Ann. Tit. 9. § 2451, *et seq*.

242. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010, *et seq*.

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243. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of W. Va. Code § 46A-6-101, *et seq.* 

244. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Wis. Stat. § 100.18, *et seq*.

245. Plaintiff will provide notice to the Attorney General where required by state statute and has sent pre-suit demand letters where appropriate.

#### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf all others similarly situated, respectfully requests that this Court enter a judgment against GM and in favor of Plaintiff and the Class, and grant the following relief:

- Determine that this action may be maintained as a class action and certify it as such under Rule 23(b)(3), or alternatively certify all issues and claims that are appropriately certified; and designate and appoint Plaintiff as Class
   Representatives and Plaintiff's chosen counsel as Class Counsel;
- B. Declare, adjudge, and decree the conduct of GM as alleged herein to be unlawful, unfair, and/or deceptive, and enjoin any such future conduct;
- C. Award Plaintiff and Class members actual, compensatory damages or, in the alternative, statutory damages, as proven at trial;
- D. Award Plaintiff and Class members exemplary damages in such amount as proven;
- E. Award damages and other remedies as allowed by the laws of the States as alleged herein;
- F. Award Plaintiff and Class members their reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest;

- G. Grant an injunction ordering GM to implement an effective remedy for all
   vehicles with defective EPS systems, including those not yet subject to recall; and
- H. Award Plaintiff and Class members such other further and different relief as the case may require or as determined to be just, equitable, and proper by this Court.

#### JURY TRIAL DEMAND

246. Plaintiff requests a trial by jury on the legal claims, as set forth herein.

DATED: July 3, 2014

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May 15, 2014

#### VIA CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

General Motors LLC 300 Renaissance Center Detroit, MI 48243

#### Re: Thomas Stevenson v. GM NOTICE PURSUANT TO: California Civil Code § 1782

Dear Sir/Madam:

Our law firm represents Thomas Stevenson ("Plaintiff") and all others similarly situated (the "Class") in an action against General Motors LLC ("GM") arising out of alleged misrepresentations, breaches of warranty, and violations of consumer protection statutes with regard to GM vehicle models that have defective electric power steering ("EPS").

GM made numerous material statements about the safety, quality, and repairs related to the affected vehicles that were either false or misleading and failed to disclose the dangerous EPS defect, even when it had a duty to do so.

GM knew of the EPS defect from the date of New GM's inception on July 5, 2009. Despite this knowledge, GM concealed this defect from consumers and owners of vehicles containing the defective EPS. Despite having a duty to warn Plaintiffs about the inherent dangers presented by this defect, GM failed to do so.

An auto manufacturer should never make profits more important than safety and should never conceal defects that exist in its vehicles from consumers or the public. GM's Vehicle Safety Chief, Jeff Boyer said, "Nothing is more important than the safety of our customers in the vehicles they drive." Yet, GM failed to live up to this commitment.

The first priority of a car manufacturer should be to ensure its vehicles are safe, and that its vehicles have operable ignition systems, airbags, power-steering, power brakes and other safety features that can prevent or minimize the threat of death or serious bodily harm in a collision. A car manufacturer must try to ensure that, once a vehicle is running, it operates safely, and its safety critical systems (such as engine control, braking, and airbag systems) work properly until the driver shuts the vehicle down. A manufacturer that is aware of dangerous design defects that cause its vehicles to suddenly lose power steering must promptly disclose and remedy such defects.

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Between 2003 and 2010, GM sold in the United States over 1.3 million vehicles with the EPS defect causing the vehicle's electric power steering to suddenly fail during ordinary driving conditions and revert back to manual steering, requiring greater effort by the driver to steer the vehicle and increasing the risk for collisions and injuries. The EPS defect can be attributed to one of three potentially faulty parts: the power steering motor, the steering column, or the power steering motor control unit. The defect may also be caused by the combination of a faulty steering column and power steering motor control unit.

In 2009, GM assumed Old GM's obligation to report any known, dangerous defects in GM vehicles, including the defective vehicles, which are affected by the faulty EPS. GM expressly assumed (i) responsibility to promptly notify NHTSA of any known safety defects in these "Old GM" vehicles and (ii) to make good on any "lemon law" warranty claims arising from defective vehicles sold by "Old GM."

On January 27, 2009, GM began its first investigation into the EPS defect. But over four months later, on June 9, 2009, GM moved the investigation to a monitor status because GM failed to identify a root cause and believed there was a low rate of warranty claims in relation to similar issues.

It wasn't until July 2009 that GM discovered the root cause of the EPS issue was a defective electric power-steering motor. But only after GM noticed a spike in the warranty claims did it transfer the investigation back to active status in October 2009. GM started production on a new motor to address the steering issues in December 2009.

Finally, on January 27, 2010, GM opened a Preliminary Evaluation to assess the frequency, scope, and safety consequences of the EPS defect. This investigation eventually resulted in the first safety recall, on March 1, 2010, of only the 2005-2010 Chevy Cobalt and 2007-2010 Pontiac G5 vehicles.

GM would not recall the other defective EPS Vehicles, including the 2010 Cobalt being recalled a second time for this same EPS issue, until March 31, 2014, over four years after the first EPS recall.

Documents released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration ("NHTSA") show that GM waited years to recall nearly 335,000 Saturn Ions for EPS failure—despite receiving nearly 4,800 consumer complaints and over 30,000 claims for warranty repairs. That translates to a complaint rate of 14.3 incidents per thousand vehicles and a warranty claim rate of 9.1 percent. By way of comparison, NHTSA has described as "high" a complaint rate of 250 complaints per 100,000 vehicles. *Seehttp://www.odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/results.cfm?action\_number=EA06002&SearchType=QuickSearch&summary=true*. Here, the rate translates to 1430 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.

In response to the consumer complaints, in September 2011 NHTSA opened an investigation into the EPS defect in Saturn Ions. NHTSA database records show complaints from Ion owners as early as June 2004, with the first injury reported in May 2007. NHTSA linked approximately twelve crashes and two injuries to the EPS defect in the Ions. May 15, 2014 Page 3

In 2011, GM missed yet another opportunity to recall the additional vehicles with faulty EPS when CEO Mary Barra—then head of product development—was advised by engineer Terry Woychowski that there was a serious power steering issue in Saturn Ions. Ms. Barra was also informed of the ongoing NHTSA investigation. NHTSA was reportedly close to concluding the Saturn Ions should have been in GM's 2005 steering recall of Cobalt and G5 vehicles.

Yet GM took no action for four years. It wasn't until March 31, 2014, when GM finally recalled the approximately 1.3 million vehicles in the United States affected by the EPS defect.

After announcing the March 31, 2014 recall, Jeff Boyer, GM's Vice President of Global Vehicle Safety, acknowledged that GM recalled some of these same vehicle models previously for the *same issue*, but that GM "did not do enough."

This case arises from GM's breach of its obligations and duties, including GM's failure to disclose that, because of the defective EPS design, at least 1.3 million GM vehicles had the propensity to suddenly lose power steering during normal driving conditions, requiring greater effort by the driver to steer the vehicle and increasing the risk for collisions, serious bodily harm, and death.

The foregoing conduct affects:

During the fullest period allowed by law, all persons in the United States who (i) currently own or lease one or more of the following GM vehicles: 2004-2006, 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu models; 2004-2006 Chevy Malibu Maxx models; 2009-2010 Chevrolet HHR (Non-Turbo) models; 2010 Chevrolet Cobalt models; 2008-2009 Saturn Aura models; 2004-2007 Saturn ION models; 2005-2006, 2008-2009 Pontiac G6 models; and some service parts installed into certain vehicles before May 31, 2010 under a previous safety recall ("Defective Vehicles"), or (ii) sold a Defective Vehicle on or after March 31, 2014. To the extent warranted, this list will be supplemented to include other GM vehicles that have defective EPS, which inadvertently lose power steering during ordinary driving conditions.

By concealing this information, making false statements, and failing to fully remedy this dangerous condition, GM violated, and continues to violate the Consumer Legal Remedies Act ("CLRA"), CAL. CIV. CODE § 1770, *et seq*. Representing goods, including automobiles, have characteristics, uses, or benefits which they do not have, representing that goods are of a particular standard, quality or grade if they are of another, and advertising goods with intent not to sell them as advertised constitute unfair or deceptive trade practices under CLRA, CAL. CIV. CODE §§ 1770(a)(5), (7), and (14).

These unfair or deceptive acts or practices by GM violate the CLRA. They also violate California Business and Professions Code §§ 17200, *et seq.* and 17500, *et seq.*; constitute breach of the implied warranty of merchantability (CAL COM. CODE § 2314); and constitute fraudulent concealment.

This Notice is being served for a Class of current and former owners and lessees of Defective Vehicles, which will seek damages under the CLRA unless GM takes the actions requested here.

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Under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1782, Plaintiffs demand that GM halt such unfair trade practices and make the following appropriate remedies on a Class-wide basis:

- compensate Plaintiffs and all members of the Class for their overpayment in purchasing or leasing Defective Vehicles, and for the diminished value caused by GM's deceptive and unfair conduct;
- permit Plaintiffs and members of the Class to revoke acceptance of their vehicles and fully refund their purchase price or payments under their leases; and
- reimburse Plaintiffs and members of the Class for incidental and consequential damages.

In summary, under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1782, this letter serves as notification of GM's alleged violations of CAL. CIV. CODE § 1770, and Plaintiffs demand the above-described rectification of these violations on a Class-wide basis. Otherwise, Plaintiffs and the Class will seek recovery of damages, costs, and fees through the courts under the Consumer Legal Remedies Act.

The putative class demands that GM correct or otherwise rectify the damage caused by such unfair trade practices and return all excess monies paid by putative class members, and compensate them for the diminished value to their vehicles caused by GM's deceptive and unfair acts or practices. Otherwise, the class will continue to seek recovery of damages, costs and fees through the courts under CAL. CIV. CODE § 1780.

Sincerely,

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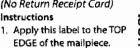
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#### UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

THOMAS STEVENSON,

Plaintiff,

Case No.:

**CLASS ACTION** 

v.

GENERAL MOTORS LLC,

Defendant.

DECLARATION OF ROBERT J. AXELROD PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE §1780(d)

I, Robert J. Axelrod, declare as follows:

1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice in the State of New York, and in the Southern District of New York. I am Senior Partner of Axelrod & Dean LLP, local counsel of record for plaintiff in the above-entitled action.

2. Defendants General Motors LLC, has done and is doing business in the Southern District of New York. Such business includes the marketing, franchising, distribution and sale of its vehicles and parts for its vehicles.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the New York that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed this 3rd day of July 2014, at New York, New York.

Robert J. Axelfoo

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Plaintiff Daniela Jones, individually and on behalf of all similarly situated persons and the general public, brings this action against Defendant General Motors LLC ("Defendant" or "GM") and alleges as follows:

# I. INTRODUCTION

1. This case arises out of General Motors ("GM") and its predecessor's<sup>1</sup> failure to disclose and lengthy concealment of a known defect affecting the Electronic Power Steering ("EPS") system of over 1.3 million vehicles and compromising the safety and integrity of those vehicles. Some of these vehicles were also recalled for a separate and distinct ignition switch defect. Purchasers of these "overlap" vehicles are excluded from the class alleged here. *See infra* Part VI.

2. To protect consumers and the public, automakers are obligated to timely report and address safety issues with the vehicles they manufacture. During a recent press conference about a settlement with GM, NHTSA Acting Administrator David Friedman, emphasized that:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> GM was incorporated in 2009. As discussed in section IV(A), on July 5, 2009, GM acquired substantially all assets and assumed certain liabilities of its predecessor, General Motors Corporation, through a Section 363 sale pursuant to Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code. This Complaint refers to GM's predecessor as "Old GM."

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"Ouickly addressing and reporting safety defects should always be a car maker's bottom line. There is no such thing as an automaker overreacting to a safety defect."<sup>2</sup>

3. When an automaker learns that a vehicle has a safety defect its legal obligations and GM's legal obligations - are clear: the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act ("TREAD Act")<sup>3</sup> and its accompanying regulations, requires automakers, including GM, to promptly disclose the defect.<sup>4</sup> If it is determined that the vehicle is defective, the automaker may be required to notify vehicle owners, purchasers, and dealers of the defect, and may be required to remedy the defect.<sup>5</sup>

The safety defect at issue in this case involves the EPS system. Essentially, the 4. defect can cause the vehicle's EPS to suddenly fail during normal driving, requiring greater effort by the driver to manually steer the vehicle and increases the risk of collisions and injuries. It affects over 1.3 million vehicles sold by GM and its predecessor Old GM. Those vehicles include the following makes and models:

- 2004-2006 and 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu; A.
- Β. 2004-2006 Chevrolet Malibu Maxx;
- С. 2009-2010 Chevrolet HHR (non-turbo);
- D. 2010 Chevrolet Cobalt;
- E. 2005-2006 and 2008-2009 Pontiac G6;
- F. 2004-2007 Saturn Ion; and
- G. 2008-2009 Saturn Aura.
- 5. This Complaint refers to these vehicles as "Defective Vehicles."

In addition to the issues with the EPS system, GM similarly recalled other makes 6. and models for problems arising from defects with the ignition switch system, which also impacted the EPS system. Specifically, when a Defective Vehicle's engine and electrical system

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> May 16, 2014 press conference regarding settlement between NHTSA and GM. <sup>3</sup> 49 U.S.C. §§ 30101-30170.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(c)(1) & (2). <sup>5</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).

shuts down, the power steering and power brakes also shut down, creating a serious risk of accident.

7. From 2004 until March of 2014, GM concealed and did not fix the serious quality and safety problems affecting the Defective Vehicles.

8. The EPS system defects could and should have been reported and corrected years ago.

9. From at least 2004 to the present, both Old GM and GM received reports of crashes and injuries that put GM on notice of the serious safety issues presented by its EPS system.

10. Instead of complying with its obligation to report and address the safety defects, GM concealed them. GM's non-disclosure and concealment put drivers of Defective Vehicles, as well as their passengers and the public at an unreasonable risk of injury or death. GM's conduct also allowed unsuspecting new and used car purchasers to continue to buy the Defective Vehicles.

11. The investigation into the EPS system defects revealed at least 12 crashes linked to loss of power steering assist, two of which resulted in injuries to the drivers. Plaintiff believes the actual numbers to be much higher.

12. Following GM's eventual EPS recall in March 2014, GM's CEO, Mary Barra, admitted in a video message that: "Something went wrong with our process in this instance, and terrible things happened."

13. GM recently agreed to a settlement with the NHTSA that includes a \$35 million dollar fine - the maximum amount the NHTSA can fine GM for a single reporting violation. The fine equals less than 1% of GM's earnings over the last year. The Department of Transportation has asked Congress to raise the fine limit to \$300 million.

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#### **II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

14. This Court has diversity jurisdiction over this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a) and (d) because the amount in controversy for the Class exceeds \$5,000,000, and Plaintiff and other Class members are citizens of a different state than Defendant.

15. This Court has personal jurisdiction over Plaintiff because Plaintiff submits to the Court's jurisdiction. This Court has personal jurisdiction over GM because GM conducts substantial business in this District.

16. Venue is also proper in this District pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391 because, as a corporation, GM is deemed to reside in any judicial district in which it is subject to personal jurisdiction. Additionally, GM transacts substantial business within the District, so GM is subject to personal jurisdiction in this District.

#### **III. PARTIES**

17. Plaintiff and proposed Nationwide Class Representative Daniela Jones is a resident and citizen of Yakima, Washington. Ms. Jones owns a 2008 Chevrolet Malibu that she purchased in 2013. Mr. Jones received a recall notice related to the EPS; however, to date, no dealer has had the parts to repair the defect. Mr. Jones has attempted to trade in the vehicle, but the vehicle has diminished in value so much that it is now worth less than Ms. Jones owes. Because of the EPS system defects, Ms. Jones is very concerned for her safety when she drives his vehicle. The steering wheeling is hard to turn at times and often vibrates. Mr. Jones did not learn of the EPS system defects until March 31, 2014, when the recall was announced.

18. Defendant General Motors LLC ("GM") is a foreign limited liability company formed under the laws of Delaware maintaining its principal place of business at 300 Renaissance Center, Detroit, Michigan.

19. GM was incorporated in 2009. As described in below, on July 5, 2009, GM acquired substantially all assets and assumed certain liabilities of General Motors Corporation ("Old GM") through a sale pursuant to Section 363, Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code.

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# IV. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

## A. GM's Liability for Its Own Conduct and Liability GM Acquired from Old GM.

20. GM was incorporated in 2009. On July 5, 2009, GM acquired substantially all

assets and assumed certain liabilities of Old GM through a Section 363 sale.

21. When GM acquired Old GM's assets through the Sale Order and Purchase

Agreement ("Purchase Agreement"), it expressly assumed both the responsibilities to report

safety defects in the vehicles sold by Old GM as required by the TREAD ACT and Old GM's

"lemon law" obligations.<sup>6</sup>

22. The liabilities and obligations expressly assumed by GM include the following:

From and after the Closing, Purchaser [GM] shall comply with the certification, reporting and recall requirements of the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Act, the Transportation Recall Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation Act, the Clean Air Act, the California Health and Safety Code, and similar laws, in each case, to the extent applicable in respect of vehicles and vehicle parts manufactured or distributed by [Old GM].

23. GM expressly assumed:

[A]ll Liabilities arising under express written warranties of [Old GM] that are specifically identified as warranties and delivered in connection with the sale of new, certified used or pre-owned vehicles or new or remanufactured motor vehicle parts and equipment (including service parts, accessories, engines and transmissions) manufactured or sold by [Old GM] or Purchaser prior to or after the Closing and (B) all obligations under Lemon Laws.

24. GM also expressly assumed "all Liabilities arising out of, relating to, in respect

of, or in connection with the use, ownership or sale of the Purchased Assets after the closing."

Those assets included all of old GM's contracts, including its contracts with dealers and service

centers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The applicability of the bar on successor liability claims against GM for the acts and omissions of Old GM prior to the Sale Order is an issue that is currently pending in Bankruptcy Court in the Southern District of New York. To the extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Court, Plaintiff herein will seek leave of this Court to amend this Complaint to add successor liability claims against GM for the acts and omissions of Old GM.

25. Additionally, since its inception, GM has profited from servicing and selling parts for Defective Vehicles sold by GM and Old GM. Therefore, GM had a duty to disclose its knowledge of the EPS system defects, and not to conceal the defects. GM is liable for its acts and omissions after the July 5, 2009 Purchase Agreement and for Old GM's "lemon law" liability it expressly assumed under the Purchase Agreement.

#### B. The EPS System Defects Cause the Defective Vehicles to Lose Power Steering Assist, Requiring Greater Driver Effort and Increasing the Risk of Crash.

26. Electronic power steering systems, which supplement the torque a driver must apply to the steering wheel of a vehicle, have replaced traditional hydraulic power steering in many newer-model vehicles. The traditional hydraulic power steering accomplished the same results by using pistons in the steering rack with pressurized fluid. The hydraulic pump, which pressurized the fluid, was powered by the vehicle's engine; drawing energy from the engine regardless of whether the driver was turning the wheel. Because the hydraulic pump was constantly drawing energy away from the engine, it created inefficiencies and increased fuel consumption.

27. To reduce those inefficiencies and increase fuel economy, GM and other automakers have done away with the traditional hydraulic power steering systems in favor of electronic power steering systems. With these electronic power steering systems, like the one introduced by GM that is the subject of this lawsuit, the hydraulic pump and pistons are replaced by an electronic motor attached to the steering rack that applies torque when the vehicle senses that the steering wheel has been turned. Because the electric motor is not powered by the vehicle's engine, manufacturers have realized improved fuel economy and are able to fine tune vehicle steering.

28. Because the electronic power steering systems and the electronic motors – including the EPS system – are not powered by the vehicle's engine, however, power steering assist in vehicles equipped with the EPS system is dependent on the proper functioning of the electronic power steering system.

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29. In the Defective Vehicles, there may be a sudden loss of electric power steering assist *that could occur at any time while driving*. According to NHTSA, if power steering assist is lost a message is displayed on the Driver Information Center and a chime sounds to inform the driver.

30. Sudden loss of power steering assist in the EPS system can occur in the Defective Vehicles if (1) the system loses electrical power; or (2) whenever the system detects a fault that requires it to enter fail-safe operation mode, removing power from the EPS motor.

31. GM claims that a buildup of brush debris mixed with oily material could cause the EPS system's motor to stop working, resulting in the loss of power steering assist in the Defective Vehicles.

32. When the Defective Vehicles lose power steering assist, the Defective Vehicles revert to manual steering, which requires significantly more torque and effort to be applied by the driver, increasing the risk of crash – especially if the vehicle is mid-turn.

# C. GM Concealed the Electric Power Steering Defects for Years and Did Not Recall the Vast Majority of Defective Vehicles until March 2014.

33. Over 1.3 million vehicles sold by Old GM and later GM between 2003 and 2010 had the EPS safety defect that caused the vehicle's EPS system to suddenly fail during normal driving.

34. In 2009, when GM assumed Old GM's obligation to report any known, dangerous defects in GM vehicles, it knew about the EPS defect.

35. In March 2010, GM recalled model years 2005-2010 of the Chevrolet Cobalt for and model years 2007-2010 of the Pontiac G6 for EPS defects. GM did not recall many other vehicles with the same EPS system that had the same problem.

36. In April 2010, one month after GM agreed to the limited recall, GM sent a letter to NHTSA informing NHTSA that it had information indicating that the 2004-2007 model year Saturn Ions were likewise affected by EPS defects leading sources to question whether the Saturn Ions should also have been included in the March 2010 recall.

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37. In September 2011, due to consumer complaints, NHTSA opened an investigation into the EPS defect in Saturn Ions.

38. Importantly, NHTSA database records show complaints from Saturn Ion owners as early as June 2004, with the first injury reported in May 2007. In total, NHTSA linked approximately 12 crashes and two injuries to the EPS defect in the Saturn Ions. But GM did nothing.

39. In 2011, GM CEO Mary Barra – then head of product development – was advised by engineer Terry Woychowski that there was a serious power steering issue in Saturn Ions.<sup>7</sup> Ms. Barra was also aware of the ongoing NHTSA investigation. At the time, NHTSA reportedly came close to concluding that Saturn Ions should have been included in GM's 2010 steering recall of Cobalt and G6 vehicles. Despite having this knowledge, GM did not recall additional vehicles.

40. Three years later, on March 31, 2014, GM finally announced a recall of the approximately 1.3 million Defective Vehicles in the United States affected by the EPS defect. The March 2014 recall finally included the Saturn Ion model years 2004-2007, along with the: 2004-2006 and 2008-2009 model year Chevrolet Malibu; 2004-2006 model year Chevrolet Malibu Maxx; 2009-2010 model year Chevrolet HHR; 2010 model year Chevrolet Cobalt; 2005-2006 and 2008-2009 model year Pontiac G6; and 2008-2009 model year Saturn Aura.

41. GM provided dealers with notice of the later recall on March 31, 2014, and mailed letters to some of the current owners of the Defective Vehicles in June, 2014, announcing and explaining the recall. Under the recall, the dealers are to conduct the following repairs according to one of four bulletins:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> October 3, 2011 Email from Terry Woyochowski to Mary Barra regarding NYT on ION Upgrade, available at:

http://democrats.energycommerce.house.gov/sites/default/files/documents/E-mail-Woychowski-Barra.pdf

- a. Bulletin 14115, which covers model year 2004-2007 Saturn Ion, 2009-2010 Chevrolet HHR and 2010 Chevrolet Cobalts, instructs dealers to replace the EPS system motor;
- b. Bulletin 14116, which covers model year 2004-2006 Chevrolet Malibu and Malibu Maxx, 2005-2006 Pontiac G6 and 2008-2009 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from March 1, 2008, through June 27, 2008, instructs dealers to replace the torque sensor assembly of those models;
- c. Bulletin 14117, which covers model year 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from February 1, 2008, through February 28, 2008, instructs dealers to replace the torque sensor assembly and EPS motor controller unit; and
- d. Bulletin 14118 covers model year 2008 Chevrolet Malibu, Pontiac G6 and Saturn Aura built from October 1, 2007, through January 31, 2008, instructs dealers to replace the EPS motor controller unit.

42. After announcing the March 31, 2014 recall, Jeff Boyer, GM's Vice President of Global Vehicle Safety, acknowledged that GM recalled some of these same vehicle models previously for the same issue, but that GM "did not do enough."

43. Similarly, in a video message addressed to GM employees on March 17, 2014, CEO Mary Barra admitted that the Company had made mistakes and needed to change its processes. According to Ms. Barra, "[s]omething went terribly wrong in our processes in this instance, and terrible things happened." Ms. Barra went on to promise, "[w]e will be better because of this tragic situation if we seize this opportunity."<sup>8</sup>

44. Significantly, documents released by NHTSA show that GM received nearly 4,800 consumer complaints and more than 30,000 claims for warranty repairs related to the EPS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> "Something Went 'Very Wrong' at G.M., Chief Says." N.Y. TIMES (Mar. 18, 2014).

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problem on the Saturn Ion. That translates to a complaint rate of 14.3 incidents per thousand vehicles and a warranty claim rate of 9.1 percent. By way of comparison, NHTSA has described as "high" a complaint rate of 250 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.<sup>9</sup> Here, the rate translates to 1430 complaints per 100,000 vehicles.

#### D. GM Advertised the Defective Vehicles as Safe.

45. On information and belief, GM's marketing and advertising materials consistently promoted all its vehicles, including the Defective Vehicles sold after July 5, 2009, as safe and reliable.

46. For example, a radio ad that ran from GM's inception until July 16, 2010, stated that "[a]t GM, building quality cars is the most important thing we can do."

47. An online ad for "GM certified" used vehicles that ran from July 6, 2009 until April 5, 2010 stated that "GM certified means no worries."

48. The Chevrolet brand ran television ads in 2010 showing parents bringing their newborn babies home from the hospital, with the tagline "[a]s long as there are babies, there'll be Chevys to bring them home."

49. Another 2010 television ad informed consumers that "Chevrolet's ingenuity and integrity remain strong, exploring new areas of design and power, while continuing to make some of the safest vehicles on earth."

50. A national online ad campaign for GM in April of 2012 stressed "Safety. Utility. Performance."

51. A national print ad campaign in April of 2013 stated that "[w]hen lives are on the line, you need a dependable vehicle you can rely on. Chevrolet and GM...for power, performance and safety."

52. A December 2013 GM testimonial ad stated that "GM has been able to deliver a quality product that satisfies my need for dignity and safety."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> See http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/-results.cfm?action\_number=EA06002&SearchType=QuickSearch&summary=true.

53. GM made these and similar representations to boost new and used vehicle sales and maximize profits at the same time it knew there were EPS system defects in the Defective Vehicles.

54. Throughout the relevant period, GM possessed vastly superior knowledge and information to that of consumers – if not exclusive information – about the design and function of the EPS system in the Defective Vehicles and the existence of the defects in those vehicles.

55. Until recently, GM never informed consumers about the EPS system defect in the Defective Vehicles.

#### E. Plaintiff and Class Members Were Injured by the EPS Defects.

56. The EPS defects have injured Plaintiff and Class members.

57. Plaintiff and Class members' vehicles are worth less than they would be without the defects. A vehicle purchased, leased, or retained with serious safety defects is worth less than the equivalent vehicle leased, purchased, or retained without the defect.

58. A vehicle purchased, leased, or retained under the reasonable assumption that it is safe is worth more than a vehicle known to be subject to the unreasonable risk of accident because of the EPS defects.

59. Plaintiff and those Class members who purchased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, overpaid for their Defective Vehicles as the result of GM's conduct. They paid more for the Defective Vehicles, through a higher purchase price or higher lease payments, than they would have had GM disclosed the EPS system defects. Because GM concealed the EPS system defects, the Plaintiff and Class members did not receive the benefit of the bargain.

60. Plaintiff and Class members now have unsafe vehicles that are worth less than they would have been but for GM's failure to disclose and remedy the EPS defects. Any reasonable consumer would be reluctant to purchase any of the Defective Vehicles, let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicles.

61. There have been at least 12 accidents and multiple injuries linked to the EPS system defects in the Defective Vehicles. However, Plaintiff believes that the actual numbers

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may be much higher, and that there may have been hundreds of deaths and injuries attributable to the EPS defects.

62. If GM had timely disclosed the EPS defects as required by the TREAD Act, the law of fraudulent concealment, tortious interference with contract and the State consumer protection laws set forth below, Plaintiff and Class members' vehicles would now be safe to drive and would be considerably more valuable than they are now. Due to the publicity surrounding GM's conduct and its belated and expanding recall, a stigma has attached to the Defective Vehicles. A reasonable consumer would not purchase a Defective Vehicle now – let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicle.

#### F. GM's Handling of the EPS Defects Is Part of a Pattern of Concealing Safety Defects.

63. Recently-revealed information suggests that GM's egregious mishandling of the EPS defects is part of a pattern of concealing known safety defects in GM vehicles.

64. The federal government's investigation recently revealed that in 2008 training materials that explicitly discouraged employees from using words such as "safety," "safety related," "defect," "serious," and "failure" when communicating about issues with a vehicle. During a press conference, NHTSA Acting Administrator David Friedman said that such training prevented investigators and engineers from "clearly communicat[ing] up the chain when they suspect[ed] a problem." In the same materials, employees were also instructed to avoid words like "deathtrap," "widow maker," "rolling sarcophagus," "Hindenburg," "Titanic," "powder keg," "apocalyptic," "You're toast," and "Kervorkianesque" and phrases like "This is a lawsuit waiting to happen" and "Unbelievable engineering screw-up."

65. Information about other defects – including the ignition switch systems and the electric power steering and airbag issues related to the wiring harness – shows GM's pattern and raises concerns as to whether GM is properly addressing the EPS defects.

#### **1.** The Ignition Switch System Defects

66. It is critical that a vehicle remains on and all of its electrical systems operate under normal driving conditions. If an automaker knows about safety defects that affect the

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vehicle's operation and electrical systems, it must promptly notify federal authorities and vehicle owners and correct the problems. GM failed to do so.

- 67. The ignition switch systems in the Defective Vehicles have at least three defects:
  - A. First, the ignition switch is too weak to maintain the key in the "run" position.
    Therefore, Defective Vehicles and their electrical systems can shut down during ordinary driving. Documents released by GM state that the "detent plunger" is defective in that it does not provide enough torque to hold the key in place during operation.
  - B. Second, the ignition switch is too low, which causes the key and key fob to hang low enough that the driver's knee can easily bump them and inadvertently shut down the vehicle. The Defective Vehicles also use "slotted" keys, which compared to keys with a hole, allow the key ring and fob to hang lower.
  - C. Third, when the ignition switch is in the "accessory" or "off" position, the airbags are immediately disabled. NHTSA's Acting Administrator, David Friedman, recently testified before Congress, that NHTSA is not convinced that the non-deployment of the airbags in the recalled vehicles is solely attributable to a mechanical defect involving the ignition switch:

And it may be even more complicated than that, actually. And that's one of the questions that we actually have in our timeliness query to General Motors. It is possible that it's not simply that the – the power was off, but a much more complicated situation where the very specific action of moving from on to the accessory mode is what didn't turn off the power, but may have disabled the algorithm.

That, to me, frankly, doesn't make sense. From my perspective, if a vehicle – certainly if a vehicle is moving, the airbag's algorithm should require those airbags to deploy. Even if the – even if the vehicle is stopped and you turn from 'on' to 'accessory,' I believe that the airbags should be able to deploy. So this is exactly why we're asking General Motors this auestion, to understand is it truly a power issue or is there something embedded in their [software] algorithm that is causing this, something that should have been there in their algorithm.<sup>10</sup>

68. When a Defective Vehicle's engine and electrical system shuts down, the power steering and power brakes also shut down, creating a serious risk of accident. When the electrical system shuts down, the vehicle's airbags and seatbelt pretensioners are disabled, creating a serious risk of serious bodily harm or death if an accident occurs.

69. The Defective Vehicles are, therefore, unreasonably disposed to accidents, and those accidents are unreasonably likely to result in serious bodily harm or death to the drivers and passengers of the Defective Vehicles, as well as to other vehicle operators and pedestrians.

#### 2. Airbag problems related to defective wiring harnesses

70. Over 1.2 million vehicles sold by Old GM and later GM between 2003 and 2010 had defective wiring harnesses. As the wiring harness connectors in the side-impact airbags ("SIABs") corrode or loosen over time, resistance increases. The airbag sensing system interprets this increase in resistance as a problem, and the "SERVICE AIR BAG" light appears on the dashboard. The light may appear occasionally at first, and the airbags and pretensioners will still deploy. Over time, the resistance can increase to the point where the SIABs, pretensioners, and front center airbags will not deploy in the event of a collision.<sup>11</sup>

The problem apparently started when GM switched from using gold-plated 71. terminals to connect its wire harnesses to cheaper tin terminals in 2007.

In June 2008, Old GM experienced a spike in warranty claims for airbag service 72. on certain vehicles.

In September 2008, after testing the cheaper tin terminals, Old GM determined 73. that corrosion and wear to the connectors caused increased resistance in the airbag wiring. So

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Congressional Transcript, Testimony of David Friedman, Acting Administrator of NHTSA (Apr. 2, 2014), at 19. <sup>11</sup> See GM Notice to NHTSA dated March 17, 2014, at 1.

Old GM released a technical service bulletin on November 25, 2008, for 2008-2009 Buick Enclaves, 2009 Chevy Traverse, 2008-2009 GMC Acadia, and 2008-2009 Saturn Outlook models that instructed dealerships to repair the defect by using Nyogel grease, securing the connectors, and adding slack to the line. Old GM also initiated the transition back to gold-plated terminals in certain vehicles. After these supposed remedies, Old GM suspended all investigation into the defective airbag wiring and took no further action.<sup>||2|</sup></sup>

74. GM knew about the airbag problems when it assumed Old GM's obligation to report any known, dangerous defects in GM vehicles.

75. And, in November 2009, GM received similar reports of increased airbag service messages in the 2010 Chevy Malibu and 2010 Pontiac G6 vehicles. After investigating, GM concluded that corrosion and wear in the same tin component caused the airbag problems in the Malibu and G6 models.<sup>13</sup>

In January 2010 and after reviewing the Malibu and G6 airbag problems, GM 76. determined that, by ignoring the "SERVICE AIR BAG" light, the resistance could increase so much that a SIAB may not deploy in a side impact collision.

77. On May 11, 2010, GM issued a Customer Satisfaction Bulletin for the Malibu and G6 models instructing dealerships to secure both front seat-mounted and side-impact airbag wire harnesses and, if necessary, to reroute the wire harness.<sup>14</sup>

78. From February to May 2010, GM monitored the data on vehicles with faulty harness wiring issues and noted another spike in airbag service warranty claims leading to the conclusion that the November 2008 bulletin was "not entirely effective in correcting the [wiring] defect present in the vehicles]."

79. On November 23, 2010, GM issued another Customer Satisfaction Bulletin for affected vehicle models, including the 2008 Buick Enclave, 2008 Saturn Outlook, 2008 GMC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 1-2.

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 2.
 <sup>14</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 2.

Acadia, models built from October 2007 to March 2008. The bulletin instructed dealerships to secure SIAB harnesses and re-route or replace the SIAB connectors.<sup>15</sup>

80. Then, on February 3, 2011, GM issued a revised Customer Service Bulletin instructing dealerships to replace the front seat-mounted side impact airbag connectors in the same defective vehicles listed in the November 2010 bulletin. In July 2011, GM again replaced its connector. This time GM used a Tyco-manufactured connector featuring a silver sealed terminal.<sup>16</sup>

81. But in 2012 GM noticed another increase in warranty claims relating to SIAB connectors in vehicles built in the second half of 2011. After some analysis, it discovered that inadequate crimping of the Tyco connector terminals caused increased system resistance.

82. In response, GM issued an internal bulletin for 2011-12 Buick Enclaves, Chevy Traverses, and GMC Acadias, recommending dealers repair affected vehicles by replacing the original connector with a new sealed connector.<sup>17</sup>

83. The defect was still uncured, however, because GM experienced another increase in service repairs and buyback activity due to "SERVICE AIR BAGS" lights in 2013.

84. On October 4, 2013, GM began an investigation into airbag connector problems in 2011-2013 Buick Enclaves, Chevy Traverses, and GMC Acadias. The investigation revealed an increase in warranty claims for these models built in late 2011 and early 2012.<sup>18</sup>

85. On February 10, 2014, GM concluded that corrosion and crimping issues were again the cause of the airbag problems.<sup>19</sup>

86. GM initially planned to issue a less-urgent Customer Satisfaction Program to address the airbag problem in the 2010-2013 Defective Vehicles. After, a call with NHTSA on March 14, 2014, that GM finally issued a safety recall on the vehicles with the faulty harness

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 3.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 4.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 5.

wiring. Consistent with GM's prior dilatory behavior, it took four investigations and at least six service bulletins on the problem before GM finally issued the recall. The recall as first approved covered only 912,000 vehicles, but on March 16, 2014, it was increased to cover approximately 1.2 million vehicles.<sup>20</sup>

On March 17, 2014, GM issued a recall for 1,176,407 vehicles potentially 87. afflicted by airbag problem. The recall instructs dealerships to remove driver and passenger SIAB connectors and splice and solder the wires together.<sup>21</sup>

#### GM'S DUTY TO DISCLOSE THE EPS SYSTEM DEFECTS V.

It does not matter whether GM or Old GM manufactured or sold a particular 88. Defective Vehicle to a particular purchaser: GM is responsible for its own actions with respect to all the Defective Vehicles, and, because GM was aware of the serious safety defects and knew that owners of Defective Vehicles were unaware of those defects, the resulting harm to Class members that occurred as the result of GM's acts and omissions. Under these circumstances, GM had the clear duty to disclose (and not conceal) the EPS system defects, the ignition switch defects, and other safety defects to Plaintiff and Class members – regardless of when they acquired their Defective Vehicles.

89. GM's legal obligations stem from several different sources, including, but not limited to: (i) the obligations it explicitly assumed under the TREAD Act to promptly report any safety defect to NHTSA and Defective Vehicle owners to allow for appropriate remedial action; (ii) the duty it had under the law of fraudulent concealment and tortious interference with contract, as pleaded below; (iii) the duty it had under the State consumer protection laws, as pleaded below; and (iv) the general legal principle embodied in § 324A of the Restatement (Second) of Torts, ("Liability To Third Person For Negligent Performance Of Undertaking").

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 5.
 <sup>21</sup> See GM Notification Campaign No. 14V-118 dated March 31, 2014, at 5.

90. In acquiring Old GM, GM expressly assumed the obligations to make all required disclosures under the TREAD for all the Defective Vehicles, but failed to make those disclosures.

91. Under TREAD, if it is determined that vehicle has a safety defect, the manufacturer *must* promptly notify vehicle owners, purchasers and dealers of the defect, and may be ordered to remedy the defect.<sup>22</sup>

92. Under TREAD, manufacturers must also file a report with NHTSA within five working days of discovering "a defect in a vehicle or item of equipment has been determined to be safety related, or a noncompliance with a motor vehicle safety standard has been determined to exist."<sup>23</sup> At a minimum, the report to NHTSA must include: the manufacturer's name; the identification of the vehicles or equipment containing the defect, including the make, line, model year and years of manufacturing; a description of the basis for determining the recall population; how those vehicles differ from similar vehicles that the manufacturer excluded from the recall; and a description of the defect.<sup>24</sup>

93. The manufacturer must also promptly inform NHTSA regarding: the total number of vehicles or equipment potentially containing the defect; the percentage of vehicles estimated to contain the defect; a chronology of all principal events that were the basis for the determination that the defect related to motor vehicle safety, including a summary of all warranty claims, field or service reports, and other information, with its dates of receipt; and a description of the plan to remedy the defect.<sup>25</sup>

94. GM expressly assumed a duty to all Defective Vehicle owners under the TREAD Act and then violated this duty.

95. Under § 324A of the *Restatement*, an entity that undertakes to render services that he should recognize as necessary for the protection of a third person or his things, is subject to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> 49 U.S.C. § 30118(b)(2)(A) & (B).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 573.6(a) & (b).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b), (c)(1), (c)(2), & (c)(5).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> 49 C.F.R. § 276.6(b) & (c).

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liability for harm caused to the third person by the entity's failure to exercise reasonable care to protect the undertaking if [] the failure to establish reasonable care increases the risk of such harm . . . ." While the doctrine was conceived in the context of physical harm, it has grown to include economic loss, such as that suffered by Plaintiff and Class members.

96. *Restatement* § 324A applies to gratuitous undertakings, but applies with even greater force here, where GM is receiving substantial remuneration for its undertaking in relation to its dealerships' service centers. GM, which provides parts for the Defective Vehicles as they are serviced at its dealerships, reaps substantial revenues from dealerships for servicing the Defective Vehicles. It also incidentally benefits when many of the people eventually sell or trade in their Defective Vehicles for new ones.

97. Consumers using GM service centers and buying GM replacement parts necessarily rely on GM to advise its dealerships of defects in a timely manner, notify its dealerships of safety-related issues, and provide its dealerships with accurate and up to date information to enable them to remedy defects. GM's failure to carry out these obligations has increased the risk of harm to owners of Defective Vehicles, who regularly have their vehicles inspected and serviced at GM dealerships and rely upon representations that the vehicles are safe and free of defects.

98. GM's dealerships rely on GM's expertise regarding how the vehicles should be maintained and what conditions are necessary for the dealer to conclude that the vehicles are in proper working order at the time they are inspected, serviced and released back to the owner. The dealerships further rely on GM to assure the safety of its vehicles, inform them of safety related problems that come to GM's attention, and to pass along knowledge regarding defects and repairs for those defects. Dealers servicing the Defective Vehicles, as well as the consumers who go to a GM dealership for repairs, rely on GM's representations that the vehicles and their component parts and safety features will function correctly if certain conditions are met when the vehicles are inspected and serviced. GM's breach of its obligations to its dealerships has resulted in harm to Plaintiff and Class members.

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### VI. CLASS ALLEGATIONS

99. Pursuant to Rules 23(a), (b)(2), and (b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure,

Plaintiff brings this action on behalf of himself and a Class initially defined as follows:

During the fullest period allowed by law, all persons in the United States who own or lease, or who sold after March 1, 2014, one or more of the following GM vehicles: 2005-2006, 2007-2010 Pontiac G6; 2004-2006, 2008-2009 Chevy Malibu; 2004-2006 Chevy Malibu Max; 2009-2010 Chevy HHR; 2008-2009 Saturn Aura

("Defective Vehicles").

100. The Class is limited to Defective Vehicles that have been recalled for the EPS defect only. It does not include Defective Vehicles that have been recalled for both the ignition switch and EPS defects.

101. To the extent warranted, the list of Defective Vehicles list will be supplemented to include other GM vehicles that have the defective EPS system, which suddenly and unexpectedly lose power steering during ordinary driving conditions.

102. Excluded from the Class are Old GM and GM, their employees, co-conspirators, officers, directors, legal representatives, heirs, successors and wholly or partly owned subsidiaries or affiliates of GM; Class Counsel and their employees; and the judicial officers and their immediate family members and associated court staff assigned to this case, and all persons within the third degree of relationship to any such persons.

103. On information and belief, there are at least 1.3 million Defective Vehicles nationwide. Individual joinder of all Class members is impracticable.

104. The Class expressly disclaims any recovery in this action for physical injury resulting from the EPS system defects. However, the increased risk of injury from the EPS defects serves as an independent justification for the relief sought by Plaintiff and the Class.

105. The Class can be readily identified using registration records, sales records, production records, and other information kept by GM or third parties in the usual course of business and within their control.

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106. Questions of law and fact are common to the Class and predominate over questions affecting only individual members. Those questions include but are not limited to the following:

- A. Whether the Defective Vehicles suffer from EPS system defects;
- B. Whether GM concealed the defects;
- C. Whether GM misrepresented that the Defective Vehicles were safe;
- D. Whether GM engaged in fraudulent concealment;
- E. Whether GM tortuously interfered with the contracts between its dealerships and owners of Defective Vehicles;
- F. Whether GM engaged in unfair, deceptive, unlawful and/or fraudulent acts or practices in trade or commerce by failing to disclose that the Defective Vehicles were designed, manufactured, and sold with defective EPS systems;
- G. Whether the alleged conduct by GM violated laws as Plaintiff alleges;
- H. Whether GM's unlawful, unfair, and/or deceptive practices harmed Plaintiff and Class members;
- I. Whether Plaintiff and Class members are entitled to equitable and/or injunctive relief; and
- J. Whether any or all applicable limitations periods are tolled by acts of fraudulent concealment.

107. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the Class members, and arise from the same course of conduct by GM. Plaintiff also seeks relief that is typical of the relief sought for the absent Class members.

108. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately represent and protect the interests of all absent Class members. Plaintiff is represented by counsel competent and experienced in product liability, consumer protection, and class action litigation.

109. A class action is superior to other available methods for the fair and efficient adjudication of this controversy because: (1) joinder of all the individual Class members is

impracticable; (2) the damages suffered by each individual Class member may be relatively small; (3) the expense and burden of individual litigation adverse GM would make it very difficult or impossible for individual Class members to redress the wrongs done to each of them individually; and (4) the burden imposed on the judicial system by individual actions by 1.3 million individuals would be enormous.

110. The prosecution of separate actions by the individual Class members would also create a risk of inconsistent or varying adjudications for individual Class members, which would establish incompatible standards of conduct for GM. Conducting this action as a class action – as opposed to separate individual actions – presents far fewer management difficulties, conserves judicial resources and the parties' resources, and protects the rights of each Class member.

111. Plaintiff is not aware of any obstacles likely to be encountered in the management of this action that would preclude its maintenance as a class action. Plaintiff anticipates providing appropriate notice to be approved by the Court after discovery into the size and nature of the Class.

#### VII. TOLLING OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS

112. GM's knowing and active fraudulent concealment of the facts stated herein tolls all applicable statute of limitations. Plaintiff and Class members did not discover and were not aware of facts that would have led a reasonable person to suspect that GM did not report information within its knowledge to federal authorities, including the NHTSA, its dealerships or customers. A reasonable and diligent investigation would not have revealed that GM had information in its possession about the existence of safety defects. GM concealed that information until recently.

113. Since July 5, 2009, GM has been under a continuing duty to disclose to NHTSA, its dealerships, Plaintiff and Class members, the true character, quality, and nature of the Defective Vehicles; that this defect is based on dangerous, inadequate, and defective design and/or substandard materials; and that it will require repair, poses a severe safety concern, and diminishes the value of the Defective Vehicles.

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114. Because of the active concealment by GM, any and all limitations periods otherwise applicable to Plaintiff's claims have been tolled.

### VIII. CAUSES OF ACTION

A. Common Law Claims

# COUNT I FRADULENT CONCEALMENT

115. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

116. GM concealed and suppressed material facts concerning the EPS defects.

117. GM had a duty to disclose the EPS system defects because the defects were known and/or accessible only to GM, which had superior knowledge and access to facts that GM knew were not known to or reasonably discoverable by Plaintiff and Class members. The facts that GM suppressed and concealed were material to Plaintiff and the Class members because they directly impacted the safety of the Defective Vehicles.

118. At the expense of Plaintiff and Class members, GM actively concealed and/or suppressed these material facts, in whole or in part, to protect its profits and avoid a costly recall.

119. On information and belief, GM has still not made full and adequate disclosure and continues to defraud Plaintiff and Class members and conceal material information regarding the defects that exist in the Defective Vehicles and other GM vehicles.

120. Plaintiff and Class members were unaware of these omitted material facts and would not have acted as they did if they had known of the concealed and/or suppressed facts. Plaintiff and Class members' actions were justified because GM was in exclusive control of material facts that were unknown to the public, Plaintiff, or Class members.

121. Plaintiff and Class members sustained damage because of the concealment and/or suppression of the facts; GM's fraudulent concealment of the EPS system defects has diminished the value of Plaintiff's and the Class members' vehicles and tarnished the reputation of the

Defective Vehicles, making any reasonable consumer reluctant to purchase any of the Defective Vehicles, let alone pay what otherwise would have been fair market value for the vehicles.

122. Class members who purchased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, either would have paid less for the vehicles or would not have purchased them at all had they been aware of the material facts that GM concealed and suppressed. Thus, as a result of GM"s fraudulent concealment, Plaintiff and the Class members did not receive the benefit of their bargain.

123. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and Class members' rights and well-being to enrich GM. GM's conduct warrants an award of punitive damages, in an amount to be determined at trial, to deter such conduct in the future.

#### COUNT II TORTIOUS INFERFERENCE WITH CONTRACT

124. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

125. The Defective Vehicles sold to Plaintiff and Class members were either serviced or repaired under contracts with GM dealerships. Under those contracts, the GM dealerships were required to service, repair and inspect the Defective Vehicles and ensure that any safety defects were repaired or, at a minimum, that owners of Defective Vehicle were apprised of safety defects and advised of the means and cost of repairing any such defects.

126. GM was aware that its dealerships were servicing and repairing Defective Vehicles and that those dealerships relied on GM to advise them of any known safety defects in the vehicles. GM educated and advised dealerships on the proper procedures for evaluating and servicing vehicles. On information and belief, in repairing and servicing GM vehicles, GM dealerships follow protocols set by GM and those protocols omitted information and procedures necessary to identify and repair problems resulting from the EPS system defects. 127. GM was aware of the EPS system defects on July 5, 2009, but chose not to inform its dealerships of the nature and extent of the defects to avoid the substantial cost and negative publicity of a recall. GM also knew that, by concealing its knowledge of the EPS system defects, it would cause its dealerships to return serviced and repaired Defective Vehicles to their owners, including Plaintiff and the Class members, without having repaired the EPS system defects.

128. GM's intentional concealment of the EPS system defects from its dealerships caused its dealerships to breach their service and repair agreements with owners of Defective Vehicles.

129. As intended, GM profited from its dealerships' servicing and provision of parts to owners of Defective Vehicles.

130. As a result of GM's intentional concealment of the EPS system defects from its dealerships, Plaintiff and Class members suffered damages. Their vehicles remained defective, and have significantly declined in value because the dealers did not effectively service and/or repair Defective Vehicles, as they were required to do under their contracts with owners of Defective Vehicles.

131. Plaintiff and Class members seek the difference in value between their vehicles in their defective state and what the value would have been had GM's dealerships remedied the EPS system defect as they were obligated to do under their contracts with owners of Defective Vehicles.

132. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and Class members' rights and well-being to enrich GM. GM's conduct was particularly egregious as it continued to reap profits from owners of Defective Vehicles while concealing its knowledge of the costly and dangerous EPS system defects that placed Defective Vehicle owners, their passengers, other drivers and their passengers at significant risk. GM's conduct shows a blatant disregard for the rights of owners of Defective Vehicles. Accordingly, Plaintiff seeks punitive damages in an amount to be determined at trial.

133. Plaintiff also seeks other remedies deemed appropriate by the Court.

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### B. State Statutory Claims

# **COUNT III**

# VIOLATION OF MICHIGAN CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT ("MCPA), (Michigan Comp. Laws Ann. § 445.901 et seq.)

134. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

135. This Claim is brought on behalf of nationwide Class of purchasers.

136. At all times relevant hereto, Plaintiff and the nationwide Class members were

"person[s]" within the meaning of MCPA. See M.C.L.A § 445.902(1)(d).

137. At all relevant times hereto, GM was likewise a "person" engaged in "trade or

commerce" within the meaning of the MCPA. See M.C.L.A. § 445.902(1)(d) and (g).

138. The MCPA holds unlawful certain "[u]nfair, unconscionable, or deceptive

methods, acts, or practices in the conduct of trade or commerce." M.C.L.A. § 445.902(1).

139. GM's practices described above violate the MCPA for one or more of the

following reasons:

- a. GM represented that the Defective Vehicles had approval, characteristics, uses, and benefits that they do not have;
- b. GM provided, disseminated, marketed, and otherwise distributed false and misleading advertisements, technical data and other information to consumers regarding the safety, performance, reliability, quality, and nature of the Defective Vehicles;
- c. GM represented that the Defective Vehicles were of a particular standard, quality, or grade, when they were of another;
- d. GM engaged in unconscionable commercial practices in failing to reveal material facts and information about the Defective Vehicles, which did and tended to, mislead Plaintiff and the Class members about facts that could not reasonably be known by the consumer until the March 2014 recall;
- e. GM failed to reveal facts concerning the EPS system defects that were material to the transaction in light of representations of fact made in a positive manner;

- f. GM failed to reveal material facts concerning the EPS system defects to Plaintiff and the Class members, the omission of which would tend to mislead or deceive consumers, including Plaintiff and the Class members;
- g. GM made material representations and statements of fact to Plaintiff and the class members that resulted in Plaintiff and the Class members reasonably believing the represented or suggested state of affairs to be other than what they actually were; and
- h. GM intended that Plaintiff and Class members rely on their misrepresentations and omissions, so that Plaintiff and other Class members would purchase or lease the Defective Vehicles.

140. Plaintiff seeks injunctive relief to enjoin GM from continuing their unfair and deceptive acts or; seeks monetary relief against GM measured as the greater of (a) actual damages in an amount to be determined at trial and (b) statutory damages in the amount of \$250 for Plaintiff and each Class member; reasonable attorneys' fees; and any other just and proper relief available under the Mich. Comp. L. Ann. § 445,911.

141. GM's acts were done maliciously, oppressively, deliberately, with intent to defraud, and in reckless disregard of Plaintiff's and Class members' rights and well-being to enrich GM. GM's conduct was particularly egregious as it continued to reap profits from owners of Defective Vehicles while concealing its knowledge of the costly and dangerous EPS system defects that placed Defective Vehicle owners, their passengers, other drivers and their passengers at significant risk. GM's conduct shows a blatant disregard for the rights of owners of Defective Vehicles. Accordingly, Plaintiff also seeks punitive damages against GM because GMs' unlawful conduct constitutes malice, oppression, and fraud warranting punitive damages.

#### COUNT IV VIOLATIONS OF STATE CONSUMER PROTECTION LAWS

142. Plaintiff incorporates by reference the allegations in the above paragraphs as if fully set forth herein.

143. Plaintiff and Class members are consumers who purchased or leased one or more Defective Vehicles.

144. GM had a statutory duty to refrain from unfair or deceptive acts or practices.

145. GM violated this duty by failing to disclose and by actively concealing the EPS defect, and by selling vehicles while violating the TREAD Act and through its other conduct as alleged herein.

146. GM's unfair or deceptive acts or practices were likely to and did in fact deceive reasonable consumers, including Plaintiff, about the true safety and reliability of the Defective Vehicles.

147. As a proximate result of GM's unfair, unlawful and/or deceptive practices, Plaintiff and Class members suffered injury, including the loss of money or property. GM's actions, as alleged herein, caused the diminution in value of Plaintiff's and Class members vehicles which are now worth less than they would have been had GM timely disclosed the defects. Because GM fraudulently concealed the defects, resulting in a raft of negative publicity once the defects finally began to be disclosed, the value of the Defective Vehicles has greatly diminished. No rational consumer would purchase the Defective Vehicles in light of GM's conduct and the stigma now attached to the Defective Vehicles.

148. Further, Class members who purchased or leased new or used Defective Vehicles after July 5, 2009, did not receive the benefit of their bargain and overpaid for their vehicles as a result of GM's unfair and deceptive conduct in violation of the TREAD Act, the CLRA, and Section 17200 of the UCL. Had these Class members been aware of the EPS defects they would have either paid less for their vehicles or would not have purchased the vehicles.

149. GM's actions, as alleged herein, constitute unfair compensation or unfair, unconscionable, deceptive or fraudulent acts or practices in violation of various state consumer protection statutes listed below:

150. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ala. Code § 8-19-1, *et seq*.

151. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ariz. Rev. Stat. § 44-1522, *et seq*.

152. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ark. Code § 4-88-101, *et seq.* 

153. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Cal. Civ. Code § 1750, *et. seq.* 

154. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Colo. Rev. Stat. § 6-1-105, *et seq.* 

155. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Conn. Gen. Stat. § 42-110b, *et seq*.

156. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of 6 Del. Code § 2511, *et seq*.

157. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of D.C. Code § 28-3901, *et seq*.

158. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Fla. Stat. § 501.201, *et seq*.

159. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ga. Code Ann. § 10-1-370, et seq. and Ga. Code Ann. § 10-1-390, et seq.

160. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Haw. Rev. Stat. § 480, *et seq.* 

161. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Idaho Code § 48-601, *et seq*.

162. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of 815 ILCS § 505/1, et seq.

163. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Kan. Stat. § 50-623, *et seq*.

164. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Md. Com. Law Code § 13-101, *et seq* 

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165. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Mass. Gen. Laws Ann. ch. 93A, *et seq.* 

166. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Mich. Stat. § 445-901, *et seq*.

167. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Minn. Stat. § 325F.67, *et seq*.

168. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Mo. Rev. Stat. § 407.010, *et seq*.

169. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Neb. Rev. Stat. § 59-1601, *et seq*.

170. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Nev. Rev. Stat. § 598.0903, *et seq*.

171. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.H. Rev. Stat. § 358-A:l, *et seq.* 

172. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.J. Stat. Ann. § 56:8-1, *et seq*.

173. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.M. Stat. Ann. § 57-12-1, *et seq*.

174. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.Y. Gen. Bus. Law § 349, *et seq*.

175. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.C. Gen. Stat. § 75-1.1, *et seq*.

176. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of N.D. Cent. Code § 51-15-0, *et seq*.

177. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Ohio Rev. Stat. § 1345.01, *et seq.* 

178. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Okla. Stat. tit. 15 § 751, *et seq*.

179. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Or. Rev. Stat. § 646.605, *et seq*.

180. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of 73 Pa. Stat. § 201-1, *et seq*.

181. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of R.I. Gen. Laws. § 6-13.1-1, *et seq.* 

182. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of S.C. Code Laws § 39-5-10, *et seq*.

183. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of S.D. Code Laws § 37-24-1, *et seq*.

184. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Tenn. Code § 47-18-101, *et seq*.

185. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Tex. Bus. & Com. Code § 17.41, et seq.

186. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Utah Code Ann. § 13-11-1, *et seq*.

187. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Vt. Stat. Ann. Tit. 9. § 2451, *et seq*.

188. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Wash. Rev. Code § 19.86.010, *et seq*.

189. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of W. Va. Code § 46A-6-101, *et seq.* 

190. GM has engaged in unfair competition or unfair or deceptive acts or practices in violation of Wis. Stat. § 100.18, *et seq*.

191. Plaintiff will provide notice to the Attorney General where required by state statute and has sent pre-suit demand letters where appropriate.

### **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff, individually and on behalf all others similarly situated, respectfully requests that this Court enter a judgment against GM and in favor of Plaintiff and the Class, and grant the following relief:

- Determine that this action may be maintained as a class action and certify it as such under Rule 23(b)(3), or alternatively certify all issues and claims that are appropriately certified; and designate and appoint Plaintiff as Class Representatives and Plaintiff's chosen counsel as Class Counsel;
- B. Declare, adjudge, and decree the conduct of GM as alleged herein to be unlawful, unfair, and/or deceptive, and enjoin any such future conduct;
- C. Award Plaintiff and Class members actual, compensatory damages or, in the alternative, statutory damages, as proven at trial;
- D. Award Plaintiff and Class members exemplary damages in such amount as proven;
- E. Award damages and other remedies as allowed by the laws of the States as alleged herein;
- F. Award Plaintiff and Class members their reasonable attorneys' fees, costs, and pre-judgment and post-judgment interest;
- G. Grant an injunction ordering GM to implement an effective remedy for allvehicles with defective EPS systems, including those not yet subject to recall; and
- H. Award Plaintiff and Class members such other further and different relief as the case may require or as determined to be just, equitable, and proper by this Court.

# JURY TRIAL DEMAND

192. Plaintiff requests a trial by jury on the legal claims, as set forth herein.

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT	
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	

In re		:	Chapter 11
OLD CARCO LLC		:	Case No. 09-50002 (AJG)
f/k/a CHRYSLER LLC, et a	al.,	:	Confirmed Cases
	Debtors.	: :	
DANIEL TULACRO,		:	
	Plaintiff,	•	A J N 11 00401 (A IC)
V.		:	Adv. No. 11-09401 (AJG)
CHRYSLER GROUP LLC	, et al.,	:	
	Defendants.	:	
		:	

## OPINION REGARDING DEFENDANT CHRYSLER GROUP LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS THE AMENDED COMPLAINT

On July 29, 2011, Chrysler Group LLC ("Chrysler Group"), the purchaser of substantially all of the assets of Old Carco LLC (f/k/a Chrysler LLC) and its affiliated debtors (collectively, the "Debtors"), filed a motion (the "Motion") seeking entry of an order, pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(6), incorporated into bankruptcy practice by Rule 7012 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure, dismissing this adversary proceeding with prejudice. The plaintiff, Daniel Tulacro (the "Plaintiff"), opposed the Motion. On September 22, 2011, the Court held a hearing (the "Hearing") on the Motion.

In the amended complaint filed in the adversary proceeding, the Plaintiff asserts several claims against Chrysler Group under California's Song-Beverly Consumer Warranty Act, Cal. Civ. Code § 1790, *et seq.* (the "Song-Beverly Act"), based upon a failure to repair certain alleged defects in Plaintiff's 2003 Dodge vehicle (the "Vehicle") which was manufactured by the

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Debtors and purchased (as a "used" vehicle) by Plaintiff in 2006.

In the Motion, Chrysler Group seeks dismissal of the Amended Complaint, arguing that the Plaintiff's claims are barred by the Court's June 1, 2009 order (the "Sale Order") approving the sale of substantially all of the Debtors' assets to Chrysler Group, free and clear of all claims other than liabilities expressly assumed by the Chrysler Group, pursuant to Section 363 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Sale Order authorized the Debtors to enter into a Master Transaction Agreement, dated April 30, 2009 (as subsequently amended, the "MTA") with the Chrysler Group. The closing of the sale of the Debtors' assets to the Chrysler Group was on June 10, 2009 (the "Closing Date").

The Chrysler Group maintains that the claims asserted by the Plaintiff are not within the scope of those claims that it assumed under the Sale Order. Specifically, the Chrysler Group argues that the Song-Beverly Act is a "lemon law" and that the Sale Order expressly delineated those lemon-law liabilities that the Chrysler Group would assume. The Chrysler Group argues that, pursuant to Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order, it only assumed lemon-law liabilities for vehicles manufactured by the Debtors in the five years prior to the Closing Date. The Chrysler Group contends that, as a result, the Plaintiff's claims relating to the Vehicle, which was manufactured by the Debtors prior to June 10, 2004, was not within the ambit of the lemon-law liabilities for vehicles manufactured after that date.

Each side argues that the plain meaning of the Sale Order and the MTA support their respective positions. The Plaintiff relies primarily on Section 2.08(g) of the MTA. The Chrysler Group argues that Section 2.08(g) of the MTA must be read in the context of all of the

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provisions of the MTA, as well as of the Sale Order, which provides that if the terms of the MTA and Sale Order conflict, the Sale Order controls.

### DISCUSSION

The Court has reviewed and considered the relevant documents, the parties' submissions and the parties' arguments at the Hearing, and has determined that liability based upon the Song-Beverly Act was not assumed by the Chrysler Group with respect to any vehicles manufactured prior to June 10, 2004. Inasmuch as the Plaintiff's Vehicle was manufactured prior to that date, Chrysler Group did not assume any such liability with respect to the Vehicle.

Although Section  $2.08(g)^1$  of the MTA includes "Liabilities pursuant to product warranties" under the heading of liabilities that the Chrysler Group assumed, that section must be read in the context of the entire agreement, together with the controlling Sale Order.

The Sale Order indicates that its terms control if in conflict with the MTA. Moreover, Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order<sup>2</sup> specifically addresses lemon-law claims. This specific provision contains a limitation based upon date of manufacture. Therefore, this "more specific and authoritative provision" of the Sale Order would control over a general provision in the MTA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Section 2.08(g) of the MTA provides that Chrysler Group's Assumed Liabilities include "Liabilities pursuant to product warranties . . . on vehicles sold by [the Debtors] prior to the Closing."

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order provides, in relevant part, as follows:

Notwithstanding anything else contained herein or in the Purchase Agreement, in connection with the purchase of the Debtors' brands and related Purchased Assets, the Purchaser, from and after the Closing, will recognize, honor and pay liabilities under Lemon Laws for additional repairs, refunds, partial refunds (monetary damages) or replacement of a defective vehicle (including reasonable attorneys' fees, if any, required to be paid under such Lemon Laws and necessarily incurred in obtaining those remedies), and for any regulatory obligations under such Lemon Laws arising now, including but not limited to cases resolved prepetition or in the future, on vehicles manufactured by the Debtors in the five years prior to the Closing (without extending any statute of limitations provided under such Lemon Laws), but in any event not including punitive, exemplary, special, consequential or multiple damages or penalties and not including any claims for personal injury or other consequential damages that may be asserted in relationship to such vehicles under the Lemon Laws.

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See Wolff v. Chrysler Group LLC, Adv. Proc. No. 10-05007 (AJG) at 20.

In Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order, a lemon law is defined to mean

a federal or state statute, including, but not limited to, claims under the Magnuson-Moss Warranty Act based on or in conjunction with a state breach of warranty claim, requiring a manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when the manufacturer is unable to conform the vehicle to the warranty after a reasonable number of attempts as defined in the applicable statute.

In addition, Paragraph 19 specifically contemplates that monetary damages may be one of the consumer remedies for failure to conform a vehicle to the warranty. Thus, the Plaintiff's claims premised on the Song-Beverly Act are lemon-law claims.

Moreover, reading Section 2.08(g) to include all lemon-law liabilities would have eliminated the requirement for the specific assumption, pursuant to Sale Order Paragraph 19, of certain lemon-law claims because those claims already would have been assumed under Section 2.08. Thus, such a reading would render Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order superfluous.

Further, Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order includes claims that might arise in the future and, therefore, is the exclusive source of Chrysler Group's potential liabilities under lemon laws for claims relating to vehicles manufactured by the Debtors, whether the claims arose before or after the Closing.

Similarly, even with respect to breach of warranty claims that may arguably not rely on lemon laws, the more specific and authoritative section concerning consumer actions related to warranty claims, *i.e.*, breach of warranty claims, would be section 2.08(h) of the MTA which provides that the Chrysler Group's Assumed Liabilities include

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(h)(i) all Product Liability Claims<sup>3</sup> arising from the sale after the Closing of Products or Inventory manufactured by Sellers or their Subsidiaries in whole or in part prior to the Closing and (ii) all Product Liability Claims arising from the sale on or prior to the Closing of motor vehicles or component parts, in each case manufactured by the [Debtors] . . . solely to the extent such Product Liability Claims (A) arise directly from motor vehicle accidents occurring on or after Closing, (B) are not barred by any statute of limitations, (C) are not claims including or related to any alleged exposure to any asbestos-containing material or any other Hazardous Material and (D) do not include any claim for exemplary or punitive damages.

Prior to its amendment, which added subdivision (ii) to the provision, Section 2.08(h)

only provided for the assumption by the Chrysler Group of those Product Warranty Claims

related to products sold after the Closing Date.<sup>4</sup> Thus, the amendment to Section 2.08(h), added

to the breach of warranty claims assumed by the Chrysler Group, certain types of accident claims

with respect to products sold prior to the Closing Date, but only if the claims came within the

parameters set forth in subdivision (ii). At the same time that Section 2.08(h) was amended,

Section 2.09(i), which described liabilities that were excluded from assumption by the Chrysler

Group, was also amended to add conforming language.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>"Product Liability Claims" - the term used for Sections 2.08(h) and 2.09(i) of the MTA, but not Section 2.09(g) - is defined, in relevant part, in the MTA to include

<sup>any Action or action taken . . . by a customer arising out of, or otherwise relating to in any way in respect of claims for . . . any other warranty claims, refunds, . . . defective material claims, merchandise returns and/or any similar claims, or any other claim or cause of action, whether such claim is known or unknown or asserted or unasserted with respect to, Products or items . . . sold . . . by the [Debtors], whether such claims or causes of action are known or unknown or asserted or unasserted.</sup> 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Product Warranty Claims related to products sold *before* the Closing Date were retained by the Debtors to be dealt with in the context of their bankruptcy cases. Although currently there is no guaranty that there will be a distribution to the unsecured creditors in the bankruptcy cases, nonetheless, any liability that was not assumed by the Chrysler Group remained with the Debtors.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> As amended, Section 2.09(i) of the MTA provides that excluded from liabilities assumed by the Chrysler Group are

all Product Liability Claims arising from the sale of Products or Inventory on or prior to the Closing that are not described in Section 2.08(h).

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To give effect to all provisions of the MTA and Sale Order, and to render them

consistent, the Court agrees with the Chrysler Group's assessment to the effect that

Reading Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order and Sections 2.08(g), 2.08(h) and 2.09(i) of the MTA together and in context, it is clear that the proper construction of those provisions is that Chrysler Group assumed the Lemon Law claims defined by Paragraph 19 and the specific claims defined by Section 2.08(h), but, as made clear by the express liability exclusion set forth in Section 2.09(i), Chrysler Group did not assume any other claims for breach of [a Debtor] warranty relating to a vehicle manufactured before the Closing Date. Under Section 2.08(g), therefore, Chrysler Group assumed other warranty-related obligations, such as to pay for repairs under [Debtor] product warranties, but did not assume liability for breach-of-warranty claims. In other words, because the plain language of Section 2.09(i) of the MTA unambiguously bars claims for breach of [Debtor] product warranties, in order to give meaning to all terms of the MTA, Section 2.08(g) must be interpreted to encompass only the obligations of [Debtor] under its written limited warranty to "Cover the cost of all parts and Labor needed to repair ..." (footnote and citation omitted).

Thus, the types of warranty-related obligations that the Chrysler Group assumed under Section 2.08(g) of the MTA were set forth in the limited written warranty issued in connection with the Vehicle, where the Debtors were obligated to "cover the cost of all parts and labor needed to repair any defective item on [a] truck supplied by [the Debtors] that is defective in material, workmanship or factory preparation." The obligations that the Chrysler Group assumed under that section were limited to those repair costs. As specified in Section 2.09(i) of the MTA, the Chrysler Group did not assume any other breach of warranty claims for vehicles sold prior to the Closing Date, except for the narrow exception set forth in Section 2.08(h)(ii) and the lemon-law carve out in Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order.

This is consistent with the entire structure of the MTA, which was initially crafted to allocate Product Liability Claims between the Debtor and the Chrysler Group for vehicles manufactured by the Debtors based upon whether those vehicles were sold to customers prior to

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or after the Closing Date. As previously noted, Section 2.08(h), initially included in the listing of liabilities that were assumed by the Chrysler Group "all Product Liability Claims arising from the sale after the Closing [Date] of Products or Inventory manufactured by [the Debtors] . . . prior to the Closing [Date]," and Section 209(i), included in the list of liabilities that were excluded from assumption "all Product Liability Claims arising from the sale of Products or Inventory prior to the Closing [Date]." Although Sections 2.08(h) and 209(i) were subsequently amended to provide for a limited exception to this structure for accident claims that met certain criteria, the limited exception does not apply to Plaintiff's claims. In addition, the exception for certain lemon-law claims, which was added by Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order does not apply.

Reconciling the relevant sections of the MTA and Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order in the manner advocated by the Chrysler Group is further supported by the negotiations that led to the addition of Paragraph 19 to the Sale Order. In that regard, because the combined effect of Sections 2.08(g) and 2.09(i) of the MTA was to deprive consumers of a remedy for a breach of a warranty, the Ad Hoc Committee Seeking Fairness for Warranty and Lemon Law claimants (the "Ad Hoc Committee") filed an objection to the proposed sale. The compromise reached was to add Paragraph 19, which carved out the specific exception to the broad exclusion of Section 2.09(i). Upon the addition of that provision to the Sale Order, the Ad Hoc Committee withdrew its objection.

## CONCLUSION

Pursuant to Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order, Chrysler Group's assumption of lemon-law claims applies only with respect to vehicles manufactured by the Debtors in the five years before the Closing Date. The Plaintiff's Vehicle was manufactured more than five years prior to the

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Closing Date and, therefore, the Sale Order bars the Plaintiff's claims.

Similarly, for any breach of warranty claims that arguably do not come within the ambit of Paragraph 19 of the Sale Order, Sections 2.08(h) and 2.9(i) of the MTA set forth the breadth of Product Liability Claims (breach of warranty claims) assumed by the Chrysler Group. As the Plaintiff's asserts a breach of warranty claim for a Vehicle sold prior to the Closing Date and it does not meet the criteria set forth in Section 2.08(h) for breach of warranty claims on such vehicles assumed by the Debtors, the Plaintiff's claim is barred by the MTA and Sale Order.

Based upon the record of the Hearing, and all prior pleadings, papers, and proceedings had herein relating to the relief requested in the Motion; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided; the Court concludes that the claims that the Plaintiff asserts in the amended complaint are barred by the Sale Order and, therefore, the Plaintiff's claims against Chrysler Group are dismissed with prejudice.

The Chrysler Group is to settle an Order.

Dated: New York, New York October 28, 2011

> <u>/s/ Arthur J. Gonzalez</u> CHIEF UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COU SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK	
In re: OLD CARCO LLC, <i>et al</i> ., Debtors.	<ul> <li> x</li> <li>: Chapter 11</li> <li>: Case No. 09-50002 (AJG)</li> <li>: (Jointly Administered)</li> <li>:</li> </ul>
GABRIELLA TATUM, et al.,	x : : Adv. Proc. No. 11-09411 (AJG) :
Plaintiffs, v. CHRYSLER GROUP LLC,	: : : :
Defendant.	x

## ORDER GRANTING DEFENDANT CHRYSLER GROUP LLC'S MOTION TO DISMISS

This matter having come before the Court on the January 18, 2012 motion of Chrysler Group LLC ("Chrysler Group") for entry of an order, pursuant to Rule 7012 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and Rule 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, dismissing Count I of Plaintiffs' Second Amended Complaint against Chrysler Group with prejudice (the "Motion"); the Court having considered Chrysler Group's memorandum of law in support of the Motion, Plaintiffs' opposition to the Motion, Chrysler Group's reply thereto, and the arguments of counsel concerning the Motion at a hearing (the "Hearing") before

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the Court on February 14, 2012; and due and proper notice having been provided; and after due deliberation, with sufficient cause appearing therefore; and for the reasons advanced by the Chrysler Group, as well as the reasons set forth by the Court at the Hearing, (as modified and supplemented, attached as Exhibit "A" hereto), it is hereby

ORDERED, that the Motion is granted and Count I of the Second Amended

Complaint is dismissed with prejudice.

Dated: New York, New York February 15, 2012

SO ORDERED:

s/Arthur J. Gonzalez Arthur J. Gonzalez Chief United States Bankruptcy Judge

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### Exhibit "A"

The Chrysler Group seeks dismissal of Count I of the Complaint, arguing that the claim is barred by the Court's June 1. 2009 order (the "Sale Order") approving the debtors' entry into the Master Transaction Agreement (the "MTA") between Old Carco and Chrysler Group, as amended, and the sale of substantially all of the Debtors' assets to Chrysler Group, free and clear of all claim other than liabilities expressly assumed by the Chrysler Group.

The Court has reviewed the parties' submissions, and considered their arguments at this hearing. Based upon the plain meaning of the Sale Order and the MTA, the Court concludes that the claim asserted in Count I of the Complaint is barred by the Sale Order.

The Closing Date of the sale of assets to the Chrysler Group was on June 10, 2009. The MTA was initially crafted to allocate product liability claims between the debtors and the purchaser, Chrysler Group, based upon whether the vehicle purchase date was on or prior to the Closing Date, or after the Closing Date. Thereafter, certain amendments were made that extended Chrysler Group's liability for vehicles purchased by consumers prior to the Closing Date within certain circumscribed parameters. Those liabilities related to certain types of accident claims, pursuant to Section 2.09(h)(ii) of the MTA, and liabilities under lemon-laws, pursuant to paragraph 19 of the Sale Order.

Count I of the Complaint alleges violations of the New Jersey Consumer Fraud Act. Therefore, Count I of the Complaint does not relate to accident claims or to lemon-law claims. The plaintiffs argue that the Fraud Act is a mechanism to enforce lemon-law claims. That statute, however, does not conform to the definition in the Sale Order of the lemon-law statutes where liabilities were being assumed, which were statutes "requiring a manufacturer to provide a consumer remedy when the manufacturer is unable to conform the vehicle to the warranty after a reasonable number of attempts as defined in the applicable statute.

With respect to vehicles sold to consumers prior to the Closing Date, pursuant to section 2.08(g), the Chrysler Group's liability under the written warranties is limited to the costs of repairing parts and labor. It does not include any warranty-related causes of action.

In its *Tulacro* decision, the Court set forth its interpretation of the interplay of the various provisions of the MTA and the Sale Order. In addition to the written limited warranties under Section 2.08(g) of the MTA, as noted, certain lemon-law liabilities were assumed under paragraph 19 of the Sale Order. The Chrysler Group did not assume other warranty-related liabilities.

The liability assumed was limited to the repair costs and the Chrysler Group did not assume any other breach of warranty claims for vehicles. To the extent that any repair is not effective, in that the parts and labor provided do not prevent the reoccurrence of the problem, that liability was not assumed. Thus, the Chrysler Group did not assume liability for breach-of-warranty claims for vehicles sold prior to the Closing Date. Section 2.09(i) bars claims for breach of product warranties for vehicles sold prior to the Closing Date.

Beyond labor and parts, the agreements were carefully crafted to limit the Chrysler Groups' exposure to any product liability causes of action that might be asserted, especially including any efforts to obtain punitive, exemplary, special, consequential or multiple damages or penalties, or other consequential damages. 09-50026-reg Doc 12808-11 Filed 08/01/14 Entered 08/01/14 17:31:28 Exhibit I - Proposed Order Pg 1 of 4

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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK		
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In re	:	Chapter 11
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MOTORS LIQUIDATION COMPANY, et al.,	:	Case No.: 09-50026 (REG)
f/k/a General Motors Corp., et al.		
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Debtors.	:	(Jointly Administered)
	X	

## ORDER GRANTING MOTION OF GENERAL MOTORS LLC PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. §§ 105 AND 363 TO ENFORCE THE COURT'S JULY 5, 2009 SALE ORDER AND INJUNCTION (MONETARY RELIEF ACTIONS, OTHER THAN IGNITION SWITCH ACTIONS)

Upon the Motion, dated August 1, 2014 ("Motion"), of General Motors LLC ("New GM"),<sup>1</sup> pursuant to Sections 105 and 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, seeking the entry of an order to enforce the Sale Order and Injunction, entered by the Court on July 5, 2009, by directing the Plaintiffs in the Monetary Relief Actions to (a) cease and desist from further prosecuting against New GM claims that are barred by the Sale Order and Injunction, (b) dismiss with prejudice those void claims because they were brought by the Plaintiffs in violation of the Sale Order and Injunction, and (c) specifically identify which claims against New GM they believe are not otherwise barred by the Sale Order and Injunction, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and due and proper notice of the Motion having been provided to counsel for the Plaintiffs, Designated Counsel, counsel for the Groman Plaintiffs, counsel for the GUC Trust, counsel for the GUC Trust Unitholders, and the U.S. Trustee, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be given; and upon (i) this Court having jurisdiction to consider the relief requested in the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157 and 1334, and Paragraph 71 of the Sale Order and Injunction, (ii) the relief requested in the Motion before this

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Motion.

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Court being proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and a hearing (the "<u>Hearing</u>") having been held with respect to the Motion on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2014; and upon the record of the Hearing, the Court having found and determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefore

## THE COURT FINDS AND DETERMINES THAT

1. The Court has jurisdiction to consider the relief requested in the Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and Paragraph 71 of the Sale Order and Injunction.

 The relief requested in the Motion is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b).

3. The claims and/or causes of action asserted against New GM in the Monetary Relief Actions that concern vehicles and/or replacement parts designed, manufactured and/or sold by Old GM are Retained Liabilities, including, without limitation, claims or causes of action that are based on (a) express warranty, other than the Glove Box Warranty, (b) implied warranty, (c) implied obligations under statute or common law, (d) successor liability, (e) design defect, (f) tort, contract or otherwise, or (g) the conduct of Old GM.

4. The Plaintiffs were given the opportunity to show cause why any of the claims and/or causes of action asserted against New GM in the Monetary Relief Actions that concern vehicles and/or replacement parts designed, manufactured and/or sold by Old GM do not constitute Retained Liabilities, and Plaintiffs have been unable to provide satisfactory evidence demonstrating that any of such claims and/or causes of action asserted against New GM in the Monetary Relief Actions should not be barred and enjoined.

## NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY

ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein; and it is further

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ORDERED that the Plaintiffs shall dismiss, with prejudice, on or before \_\_\_\_\_, 2014, the claims and/or causes of action asserted against New GM in the Monetary Relief Actions that concern vehicles and/or replacement parts designed, manufactured and/or sold by Old GM; and it is further

ORDERED that the Plaintiffs and all persons acting in concert with them shall cease and desist from prosecuting the claims and/or causes of action asserted against New GM in the Monetary Relief Actions that concern vehicles and/or replacement parts designed, manufactured and/or sold by Old GM; and it is further

ORDERED that, within 10 business days after the entry of this Order, each of the Plaintiffs shall file with the Clerk of this Court evidence of the dismissal, with prejudice, of their claims and/or causes of action asserted against New GM in the Monetary Relief Actions that concern vehicles and/or replacement parts designed, manufactured and/or sold by Old GM; and it is further

ORDERED that New GM shall be authorized to serve this Order upon any additional party (and/or their attorney) who commences an action ("<u>Additional Action</u>") against New GM that is substantially similar to the relief requested in the Monetary Relief Actions and, if such additional party fails or refuses to dismiss, with prejudice, such Additional Action, New GM shall be permitted to seek expedited relief in this Court seeking, among other things, to hold such party (and his or her attorney) in contempt of Court for violating this Order, and the Sale Order and Injunction.

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2014 New York, New York

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE