

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

<b>IN RE:</b>  <b>EPIC COMPANIES, LLC, <i>et al.</i></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Debtors.<sup>1</sup></b></p>	§ § § § § § §	<b>CHAPTER 11</b>  <b>Under Case No. 19-34752</b>  <b>Jointly Administered</b>
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**NOTICE OF APPEARANCE AND REQUEST FOR SERVICE OF PAPERS**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** of the appearance of the undersigned attorney, as counsel for CURTIN MARITIME CORPORATION (“Curtin Maritime”), a party in interest in the above-referenced cases, and pursuant to section 1109(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 9007 and 9010, it is requested that copies of all notices and pleadings in these cases be given to, and served upon, the following:

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**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that pursuant to section 1109(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, the foregoing demand includes not only the notices and papers referred to in the above-mentioned Bankruptcy Rules, but also includes, without limitation, all orders, applications, motions, petitions, pleadings, requests, complaints or demands, whether formal or informal, written or oral, transmitted or conveyed by mail delivery, telephone, facsimile or otherwise, in these cases.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that this appearance and demand for service is neither intended as, nor is it consent of Curtin Maritime to jurisdiction of the Bankruptcy

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<sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor’s federal tax identification number, are as follows: Epic Companies, LLC (1473), Epic Diving & Marine Services, LLC (2501), Epic Applied Technologies, LLC (5844), EPIC Specialty Services, LLC (8547), Epic Alabama Steel, LLC (6835), Epic San Francisco Shipyard, LLC (5763) and Zuma Rock Energy Services, LLC (1022). The address of the Debtors’ headquarters is: 1080 Eldridge Parkway, Suite 1300, Houston, Texas 77077.

Court or venue in the Southern District of Texas, nor, specifically but not limited to, a waiver of (i) Curtin Maritime's rights to have final orders in non-core matters entered only after *de novo* review by a higher court; (ii) Curtin Maritime's rights to trial by jury in any proceedings so triable, or in any case, controversy or proceeding related hereto; (iii) Curtin Maritime's rights to have the reference withdrawn in any matter subject to mandatory or discretionary withdrawal; or (iv) any other rights, claims, actions, defenses, set-offs, or recoupments to which Curtin Maritime is or may be entitled under any agreement, in law or in equity, all of which rights, claims, actions, defenses, setoffs, and recoupments to Curtin Maritime are expressly reserved.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies that on August 27, 2021, a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic means as listed on the Court's ECF noticing system.

/s/ Timothy W. Strickland

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