UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

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NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT OF CHAPTER 11 CASE AND MEETING OF CREDITORS

<u>Commencement of Chapter 11 Case</u>. On September 20, 2024 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), Red River Talc LLC, a Texas limited liability company (the "<u>Debtor</u>"), filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas (the "<u>Court</u>"). The last four digits of the Debtor's federal tax identification number are 8508. The Debtor's address is 501 George Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey 08933.

Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code allows a debtor to reorganize or liquidate pursuant to a plan. A plan is not effective unless confirmed (<u>i.e.</u>, approved) by the Court. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtor's predecessor (LLT Management LLC) and Johnson & Johnson formulated and solicited votes with respect to the *Prepackaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of the Debtor* (the "<u>Initial Plan</u>"), which Initial Plan is described in the *Disclosure Statement for Prepackaged Chapter 11 Plan of Reorganization of the Debtor* [Dkt. 25] (the "<u>Disclosure Statement</u>") and was subsequently amended [Dkt. 24] (the "<u>Amended Plan</u>"). At this time, no hearing on confirmation of the Amended Plan has been scheduled. You will be separately sent notice of the date of the confirmation hearing to consider approval of the Amended Plan, and you may object to confirmation of the Amended Plan and attend the confirmation hearing. Unless a trustee is serving, the Debtor will remain in possession of its property and may continue to operate any business and manage any properties.

Attorneys for the Debtor. The attorneys representing the Debtor are: (a) John F. Higgins, M. Shane Johnson, Megan Young-John and James A. Keefe, Porter Hedges LLP, 1000 Main Street, 36th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Telephone: (713) 226-6000, Facsimile: (713) 228-1331; (b) Gregory M. Gordon, Dan B. Prieto and Amanda Rush, Jones Day, 2727 North Harwood Street, Dallas, Texas 75201, Telephone: (214) 220-3939, Facsimile: (214) 969-5100 and (c) Brad B. Erens and Caitlin K. Cahow, Jones Day, 110 North Wacker Drive, Suite 4800, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Telephone: (312) 782-3939, Facsimile: (312) 782-8585.

<u>Case Management and Administrative Procedures</u>. Pursuant to Rule 1075-1 of the Bankruptcy Local Rules for the Southern District of Texas, the Court has entered an order designating this case as a complex chapter 11 case. All parties who desire to participate in this case must follow the *Procedures for Complex Cases in the Southern District of Texas*, effective

October 18, 2023 (the "Complex Case Procedures"), which are available on the Court's website at https://www.txs.uscourts.gov/page/complex-chapter-11-cases. The Complex Case Procedures provide, among other things, that notice of proceedings in this chapter 11 case need only be sent to the parties on the established master service list and those parties that have filed a notice of appearance and request for notices in the chapter 11 case. Any party in interest that desires to receive notice in this chapter 11 case must file with the Court a notice of appearance and request for service and shall serve such request on: (a) John F. Higgins, M. Shane Johnson, Megan Young-John and James A. Keefe, Porter Hedges LLP, 1000 Main Street, 36th Floor, Houston, Texas 77002, Telephone: (713) 226-6000, Facsimile: (713) 228-1331; (b) Gregory M. Gordon, Dan B. Prieto and Amanda Rush, Jones Day, 2727 North Harwood Street, Dallas, Texas 75201, Telephone: (214) 220-3939, Facsimile: (214) 969-5100 and (c) Brad B. Erens and Cailin K. Cahow, Jones Day, 110 North Wacker Drive, Suite 4800, Chicago, Illinois 60606, Telephone: (312) 782-3939, Facsimile: (312) 782-8585. All creditors will receive notice of certain proceedings, including, but not limited to: (a) any bar dates (unless applicable to a limited population of creditors); (b) the time fixed for filing objections to, and any hearing to consider, a disclosure statement and/or confirmation of a chapter 11 plan; and (c) dismissal or conversion of the chapter 11 case to another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

<u>Meeting of Creditors</u>. Pursuant to section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code, the United States Trustee for the Southern District of Texas (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") has scheduled a meeting of creditors to be held on **October 30**, **2024**, **at 10:00 a.m.**, **prevailing Central Time**. The meeting of creditors shall be conducted by telephone. Below is the telephonic information for this meeting:

Dial-In: 888-455-8838

Participant Passcode: 9152482

Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC (the "<u>Agent</u>") shall post on the Agent's website at https://dm.epiq11.com/redrivertalc the above telephonic information concerning the meeting of creditors. The Debtor's representatives must be present at the meeting to be examined under oath by the U.S. Trustee and by creditors. Creditors are welcome to attend the meeting but are not required to do so. The meeting may be continued and concluded at a later date specified in a notice filed with the Court.

Creditors Generally May Not Take Certain Actions. In most instances, the filing of the bankruptcy case automatically stays certain collection and other actions against the Debtor and the Debtor's property. This means that creditors generally may not take action to collect debts from the Debtor or the Debtor's property. Actions against other parties may be subject to the automatic stay to the extent such actions effectively are actions against the Debtor or its property or seek to pursue causes of action owned by the bankruptcy estate. Under certain circumstances, the Debtor may request that the Court extend or impose a stay with respect to additional entities. Here, on September 23, 2024, the Court entered a temporary order [Adv. Pro. No. 24-03194 (CML), Adv. Dkt. 17] prohibiting and enjoining the commencement or continuation of any Debtor Talc Claim (as defined in the Complaint [Adv. Pro. No. 24-03194 (CML), Adv. Dkt. 1]) against any of the parties listed on Annex A of the temporary order until October 11, 2024. In addition, the Debtor is seeking a preliminary injunction extending or applying the automatic stay to certain non-debtor affiliates and other third parties (to the extent it does not already apply).

Prohibited actions are listed in section 362(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and common examples include: (a) contacting the Debtor by telephone, mail or otherwise to demand payment of a pre-bankruptcy obligation; (b) taking actions to collect money or obtain property from the Debtor; (c) starting or continuing lawsuits against the Debtor; and (d) repossessing or foreclosing upon the Debtor's property. See 11 U.S.C. § 362(a). If unauthorized actions are taken by a creditor against the Debtor or its property or against any party covered by the automatic stay, the Court may penalize that creditor. A creditor who is considering taking action against the Debtor or its property should review, among other things, section 362(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and any applicable orders of the Court and seek legal advice.

Claims. A Proof of Claim is a signed statement describing a creditor's claim. A Proof of Claim form is not included with this Notice, but, if necessary, you can obtain one at any United States Bankruptcy Court Clerk of Court's office or online at https://www.txs.uscourts.gov/page/forms. If necessary, you may look at the Debtor's schedules of assets and liabilities that have been, or may be, filed (a) at the Clerk of Court's office, (b) by accessing the website maintained by the Debtor's claims and noticing agent at https://dm.epiq11.com/redrivertalc free of charge or (c) by accessing PACER on the Court's website at https://www.txs.uscourts.gov/page/bankruptcy-court for a nominal fee. If your claim is scheduled and is not listed as disputed, contingent or unliquidated, it will be allowed in the amount scheduled unless you have filed a Proof of Claim or you are sent further notice about the claim. Whether or not your claim is scheduled, you are permitted to file a Proof of Claim. If your claim is not listed at all or if your claim is listed as disputed, contingent or unliquidated, then you must file a Proof of Claim if a bar date is set or you might not be paid any money on your claim. Information regarding bar dates is set forth below. A secured creditor retains rights in its collateral regardless of whether that creditor files a Proof of Claim. Filing a Proof of Claim may submit the creditor to the jurisdiction of the Court, with consequences a lawyer can explain. For example, a secured creditor who files a Proof of Claim may surrender important nonmonetary rights, including the right to a jury trial. **Do not** include this notice with any filing you make with the Court.

Notice of Bar Dates for Proofs of Claim. No bar date has yet been established for the filing of Proofs of Claim, and it is not clear when or if such a bar date will be set in this chapter 11 case. If and when a bar date is established, a separate notice of the bar date (the "Bar Date Notice") will be provided. Any such Bar Date Notice will contain information regarding the bar date(s), a Proof of Claim form and instructions for completing and filing a Proof of Claim form.

<u>Filing Deadline for a Creditor with a Foreign Address</u>. A deadline for filing claims may be set in a later Court order as set forth above, and, if so, will apply to all creditors unless the order provides otherwise. If notice of the order setting the deadline is sent to a creditor at a foreign address, the creditor may file a motion requesting the Court to extend the deadline. There is no assurance that such a motion would be granted. Consult a lawyer familiar with United States bankruptcy law if you have any questions regarding your rights in this case.

Deadline to File a Complaint to Determine Dischargeability of Certain Debts. Confirmation of the Plan may result in a discharge of debts, which may include all or part of your debt. See 11 U.S.C. § 1141(d). A discharge means that you may never try to collect the debt from the Debtor, except as provided in the Plan. If you believe that a debt owed to you is not dischargeable under section 1141(d)(6)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code, you must start a lawsuit by filing a complaint in

the Court by **December 30, 2024** (<u>i.e.</u>, 60 days after the meeting of creditors described above). The Clerk of Court's Office must receive the complaint and any required filing fee by such deadline.

How to Obtain Documents. Electronic copies of all pleadings or other documents filed in this case may be obtained for \$0.10 per page or up to \$3.00 per document for most documents via PACER on the Court's web site at https://www.txs.uscourts.gov/page/bankruptcy-court. Paper copies of all pleadings or other documents filed in this case may be obtained by sending a written request to the Agent, at RedRiverTalcInfo@epiqglobal.com, P.O. Box 4419, Beaverton, Oregon 97076-4419 (Attn: Red River Case Team), or by contacting the Agent by telephone at (888) 431-4056. Additionally, free electronic copies of certain pleadings or other documents filed in this case will be posted on the Agent's website at https://dm.epiq11.com/redrivertalc as soon as possible after filing.

Court Filings. Any paper that you file in this bankruptcy case should be filed through the Court's electronic case filing (ECF) system, which may be accessed at https://www.txs.uscourts.gov/page/bankruptcy-court. Alternatively, papers may be filed at the Clerk of Court's office at the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Texas, Office of the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court, Bob Casey United States Courthouse, 515 Rusk Street, Houston, TX 77002. Filings in this case may be accessed via the Court's web site at https://www.txs.uscourts.gov/page/bankruptcy-court.

<u>Legal Advice</u>. Neither the Debtor's counsel, the Agent nor the staff of the Clerk of Court's Office can give you legal advice. You may wish to consult an attorney to protect your rights.

Dated: September 27, 2024

Clerk of the United States Bankruptcy Court For the Southern District of Texas Bob Casey United States Courthouse 515 Rusk Street Houston, TX 77002