IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:) Chapter 11
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YELLOW CORPORATION, et al., 1) Case No. 23-11069 (CTG)
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Debtors.) (Jointly Administered)
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DEBTORS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER
(I) APPROVING THE DEBTORS' SELECTION OF A
REAL ESTATE STALKING HORSE BIDDER, (II) APPROVING BID PROTECTIONS
IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

The above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") state as follows in support of this motion (the "Motion"):²

Relief Requested

1. The Debtors seek entry of an order (the "Order"): (a) approving Estes Express Lines ("Estes") as the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder for all of the Debtors' Owned Properties and certain other Assets related to the Owned Properties (as further described in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA and as defined therein, the "Acquired Assets"), (b) authorizing the Bid Protections to Estes (the "Estes Bid Protections") in connection therewith, and (c) granting related relief.

A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' claims and noticing agent at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation. The location of the Debtors' principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is: 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400, Overland Park, Kansas 66211.

A detailed description of the Debtors and their businesses, including the facts and circumstances giving rise to the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, is set forth in the *Declaration of Matthew A. Doheny, Chief Restructuring Officer of Yellow Corporation, in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* [Docket No. 14] (the "First Day Declaration"). Capitalized terms used but not immediately defined in this Motion have the meanings ascribed to them in the Bidding Procedures, the Bidding Procedures Order, or in the First Day Declaration, as applicable.

2. In support of the Motion, the Debtors submit the *Declaration of Cody Leung Kaldenberg, Founding Member and Partner at Ducera Partners LLC, in Support of the Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order (I) Approving the Debtors' Selection of a Stalking Horse Bidder, (II) Approving Bid Protections in Connection Therewith, and (III) Granting Related Relief, filed contemporaneously herewith (the "Stalking Horse Declaration").*

Jurisdiction and Venue

- 3. The United States District Court for the District of Delaware has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334, which was referred to the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") under 28 U.S.C. § 157 pursuant to the *Amended Standing Order of Reference* from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012. The Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to rule 9013-1(f) of the Local Rules of Bankruptcy Practice and Procedure of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Local Rules"), to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
 - 4. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.
- 5. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a), 363, 365, 503, and 507 of chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"), Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, and 6006(a), and Bankruptcy Local Rules 2002-1, 6004-1, and 9006-1.

Background

6. On August 6, 2023 (the "<u>Petition Date</u>"), each of the Debtors filed a voluntary petition for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. These chapter 11 cases have been

consolidated for procedural purposes only and are being jointly administered pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) [Docket No. 169].

- 7. The Debtors are managing their businesses and their properties as debtors in possession pursuant to sections 1107(a) and 1108 of the Bankruptcy Code. On August 16, 2023, the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware (the "<u>U.S. Trustee</u>") appointed an official committee of unsecured creditors [Docket No. 269] (the "<u>Committee</u>"). No trustee or examiner has been appointed in these chapter 11 cases.
- 8. On August 7, 2023, the Debtors filed the Debtors' Motion Seeking Entry of an Order (I)(A) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets; (B) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (D) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Therefore; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 22] (the "Sale Motion").
- 9. On September 11, 2023, the Debtors filed the amended proposed Order (I)(A) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets; (B) Scheduling Auctions and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (D) Scheduling Sale Hearings and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Therefore; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 444] (the "Bidding Procedures Order"), including the Debtors' proposed Bidding Procedures attached

as Exhibit A to the Bidding Procedures Order. Substantially contemporaneously herewith, the Debtors filed the Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order (I) Shortening the Notice and Objection Period for the Debtors' Real Estate Stalking Horse Motion and (II) Granting Related Relief (the "Motion to Shorten"), seeking expedited approval of the relief sought herein.

Assets under the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA), scheduled under the Bidding Procedures for December 12, 2023, subject to the Court's availability (the "Sale Hearing"), the Debtors will seek Court approval to consummate either the Transactions contemplated herein or an otherwise higher or better Bid (or combination of Bids) for the Acquired Assets and any other applicable Non-Rolling Stock Assets.

Preliminary Statement

I. The Debtors' Marketing and Sale Process for the Owned Properties.

- 11. Pursuant to the Debtors' proposed Bidding Procedures, the Debtors seek to maximize the value of their Assets (including but not limited to their Owned Properties) for the benefit of all of their stakeholders. The Bidding Procedures contemplate separate Auction(s), in each case if required, for (i) the Rolling Stock and (ii) the Debtors' Non-Rolling Stock Assets (*i.e.*, the Real Property Assets (which includes the Owned Properties and the Leased Properties), the Intellectual Property, and the Other Assets (each as defined in the Bidding Procedures)), to commence on October 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) and November 27, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), respectively.
- 12. Prior to such Auction(s), the Debtors and their advisors, including Ducera, will have already spent several months actively marketing the Assets, including the Debtors' Owned Properties and certain other Assets related to the Owned Properties that are the subject of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. As detailed in the First Day Declaration and the Kaldenberg

Declaration,³ the Debtors' proposed investment banker, Ducera Partners LLC ("<u>Ducera</u>"), launched a robust marketing process for the Debtors' Assets prior to the Petition Date, which process remains ongoing. To date, approximately 540 prospective purchasers of the Assets, including the Rolling Stock and the Real Property Assets, have been in contact with the Debtors and Ducera, and approximately 307 parties have executed confidentiality agreements with the Debtors and gained access to the Data Room. Extensive information relating to the Assets has been made available to these prospective purchasers in the Data Room.

13. Prior to and following entry of the Interim DIP Order,⁴ the Debtors and their advisors engaged in hard-fought negotiations with both Old Dominion (as defined below) and Estes regarding the terms of a value-maximizing Stalking Horse APA for the Owned Properties. As counsel to the Debtors stated on the record at the status conference held before the Court on August 17, 2023, Estes was the Debtors' originally contemplated Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder (under the DIP Facility) for the Acquired Assets, providing a stalking horse bid for the Acquired Assets in the amount of \$1.3 billion (the "Original Estes Bid"). Immediately thereafter, Old Dominion Freight Line, Inc. ("Old Dominion") submitted a stalking horse bid to the Debtors for the Acquired Assets in the amount of \$1.5 billion (the "Old Dominion Bid"). The Debtors filed that certain Debtor-in-Possession Credit Facility Term Sheet [Docket No. 297-1] (the "DIP

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The Interim Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Obtain Postpetition Financing, (B) Use Cash Collateral, and (C) Grant Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims, (II) Granting Adequate Protection to Certain Prepetition Secured Parties, (III) Modifying the Automatic Stay, (IV) Scheduling a Final Hearing, and (V) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 302] (the "Interim DIP Order," and together with the final order approving such relief, the "DIP Orders").

Term Sheet") on August 18, 2023, incorporating the Old Dominion Bid (in lieu of the Original Estes Bid) therein. Indeed, one of the key aspects of the Interim DIP Order and the DIP Term Sheet, consented to by each of the Junior DIP Secured Parties, the B-2 Secured Parties, the Prepetition ABL Secured Parties, and the Prepetition UST Secured Parties, was the requirement of a Stalking Horse APA for the Owned Properties as part of the DIP Facility. Since then, the Debtors engaged in weeks of extensive and hard-fought negotiations with both Estes and Old Dominion. Ultimately, Estes offered the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA (as defined below) to purchase all of the Owned Properties for \$1.525 billion (the "Estes Stalking Horse Bid"). The Estes Stalking Horse Bid is an improvement over the Old Dominion Bid because it offers more money for the Acquired Assets and less fees in terms of bid protections. The Debtors, in consultation with their advisors, believe that the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA offered by Estes represents the best available stalking horse alternative with respect to the Acquired Assets and is reasonable and necessary considering that the Interim DIP Order and the DIP Term Sheet require the Debtors' entry into a Stalking Horse APA. This Motion seeks approval of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA provided by Estes.

14. The Debtors' proposed Bidding Procedures (filed substantially contemporaneously herewith as Exhibit A to the Bidding Procedures Order) establish a clear and open bidding process for the solicitation, receipt, and evaluation of third-party Bids for the Assets, including the Acquired Assets. Such Bids may be for all, packages of, or single Assets (including the Owned Properties that are the subject of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA). The Bidding Procedures will enable the Debtors to maximize the proceeds generated by the Sale or Sales of their Assets, including the Owned Properties.

- 15. The Debtors believe that the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA represents the highest and otherwise best value-maximizing stalking horse arrangement for the Owned Properties. The Real Estate Stalking Horse APA sets a meaningful price floor (\$1.525 billion) for the Owned Properties in the aggregate, while the Bidding Procedures maintain flexibility for the Debtors to pursue the highest value achievable for proceeds of the Acquired Assets, by clearly establishing that Bids for the Assets may be be submitted on an all-, packaged-, or individualized- basis. Further, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA provides assurance to the Debtors and their stakeholders that the Sale (or Sales) of the Owned Properties will at least exceed \$1.525 billion, an amount sufficient to pay off the Debtors' entire remaining prepetition secured capital structure in full, with remaining proceeds available for distribution to general unsecured creditors.
- 16. Moreover, the Estes Bid Protections are substantially below market. For example, had the parties agreed to a 3% breakup fee and 1% expense reimbursement, amounts routinely approved by bankruptcy courts in this and other districts, the requested bid protections for the proposed \$1.525 billion transaction under the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA could have been \$61 million. The Estes Bid Protections, in contrast, total only a maximum amount of \$9.1 million, comprising (a) a \$7,500,000 Breakup Fee and (b) an Expense Reimbursement of up to \$1,600,000. Last, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA provides for 30 days of rent-free storage of Rolling Stock and other equipment that the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder estimates could have a value to the Debtors' estates in excess of \$10 million. Accordingly, by this Motion (and the accompanying Motion to Shorten), the Debtors seek expedited approval of (a) entry into the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA with Estes and (b) the Estes Bid Protections.

II. The Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder.

17. On September 12, 2023, the Debtors and Estes (the "<u>Real Estate Stalking Horse</u> <u>Bidder</u>"), entered into that certain stalking horse asset purchase agreement (including all exhibits

and schedules related thereto, the "Real Estate Stalking Horse APA") attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, whereby the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder commits to purchasing all of the Debtors' Owned Properties and certain other Assets related to the Owned Properties (as further described in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, and as defined therein, the "Acquired Assets") for cash consideration of \$1.525 billion, subject to certain adjustments as set forth in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA (the "Purchase Price").

- 18. Pursuant to the Bidding Procedures, the Debtors will continue to solicit higher or otherwise better proposals for the Owned Properties (including pursuant to combinations of Bids, as applicable). Under the Bidding Procedures, Bids from third-party Acceptable Bidders may, but need not, be for all of the Owned Properties. The Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, will evaluate all Bids received and pursue the Sale Transaction, or a combination of Sale Transactions, that delivers the highest proceeds for the Assets and recoveries to the Debtors' stakeholders.
- 19. The Debtors submit that the process set forth in the proposed Bidding Procedures will yield the highest or otherwise best value for the Assets and, in turn, maximize recoveries for the Debtors' stakeholders. The Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, if consummated, will generate proceeds in excess of the amount of the Debtors' entire remaining prepetition secured capital structure. At the same time, the proposed Bidding Procedures provide flexibility for the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to seek higher or otherwise better Bids (including value-maximizing combinations of Bids) for the Owned Properties that are the subject of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. Accordingly, entry into the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA and approval of the Estes Bid Protections should be approved.

III. Material Terms of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA.

20. The following chart summarizes the terms and conditions of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA and discloses certain information required pursuant to Local Rule 6004-1:5

Real Estate Stalking Horse APA Provision	Summary Description
Real Estate Stalking Horse APA Parties	Seller: Yellow Corporation Purchaser: Estes Express Lines See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, Preamble.
Purchase Price	Cash Purchase Price: \$1.525 billion, subject to certain potential adjustments. See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA § 2.1.
Estes Bid Protections Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(c)(i)(C)	Breakup Fee: \$7,500,000. Expense Reimbursement: up to \$1,600,000. See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA §§ 8.2(b)-(c).
Acquired Assets	Pursuant to sections 105, 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, in the Sale Order, and in the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, at the Closing, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey, and deliver to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser, and Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser shall purchase, acquire, and accept from Sellers, all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to, as of the Closing, the Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances. For the avoidance of doubt, the Acquired Assets shall be free and clear of any and all Employment Liabilities, pension liabilities, and successor liabilities of any kind. "Acquired Assets" means all of the Sellers' right, title and interest, as of the Closing, in and to: (a) the Owned Real Property of the Sellers set forth on Schedule 1.1(a) (the "Acquired Real Property");

This summary is provided for the convenience of the Court and parties in interest. To the extent there is any conflict between this summary and the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA shall govern in all respects. Capitalized terms used in the following summary shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. All references to schedules or sections in the following summary shall refer to schedules or sections of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA.

	(b)	the Contracts set forth on Schedule 1.1(b) (collectively, the "Assigned Contracts");
	(c)	to the extent transferable under applicable Law, all of the rights, interests and benefits (if any) accruing under all Permits and Governmental Authorizations related to the Acquired Real Property, and all pending applications therefor;
	(d)	all Documents relating solely to the Acquired Real Property included in the Acquired Assets, but excluding any information to the extent prohibited by Law;
	(e)	all rights against third parties (including customers, suppliers, vendors, merchants, manufacturers and counterparties to any Assigned Contract), including causes of action, claims, counterclaims, defenses, credits, rebates (including any vendor or supplier rebates), demands, allowances, refunds (other than Tax refunds or Tax attributes), causes of action, rights of set off, rights of recovery, rights of recoupment or rights under or with respect to express or implied guarantees, warranties, representations, covenants or indemnities made by such third parties, with respect to any of the Acquired Real Property, or the Assumed Liabilities, in each case, other than (i) all preference or avoidance claims or actions arising under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable Law, (ii) all claims that any Seller or any of its Affiliates may have against any Person with respect to any other Excluded Assets or any Excluded Liabilities, and (iii) claims against any Seller or its Affiliates.
	See Real	Estate Stalking Horse APA § 1.1.
Assumed Liabilities	On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, in the Sale Order, and in the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, effective as of the Closing, in addition to the payment of the Cash Payment in accordance with Section 2.1, Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser shall irrevocably assume from each Seller (and from and after the Closing pay, perform, discharge, or otherwise satisfy in accordance with their respective terms), and Sellers shall irrevocably transfer, assign, convey, and deliver to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser, only the following Liabilities, without duplication and only to the extent not paid prior to the Closing (collectively, the "Assumed Liabilities"):	

- (a) all Liabilities and obligations of any Seller under the Assigned Contracts that become due from and after the Closing;
- (b) all cure costs required to be paid pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code in connection with the assumption and assignment of the Assigned Contracts (the "Cure Costs");
- (c) all Liabilities (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Taxes other than income Taxes of Sellers) relating to amounts required to be paid, or actions required to be taken or not to be taken, by Purchaser under this Agreement and all Transfer Taxes;
- (d) all Liabilities agreed to be assumed by Purchaser or for which Purchaser has agreed to be responsible in accordance with this Agreement; and
- (e) all Liabilities arising out of or relating to any environmental, health or safety matter, including those arising under or relating to Environmental Laws or Hazardous Materials, in connection with ownership, operation, use or maintenance of the Acquired Assets, whenever arising or occurring (the "Environmental Liabilities") other than those Environmental Liabilities (i) that are dischargeable, or capable of being sold free and clear, pursuant to Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, the Sale Order or the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, (ii) that are otherwise dischargeable pursuant to Section 1141 of the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, the Sale Order or the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, or (iii) from which the Acquired Assets are otherwise released as of the Closing pursuant to an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or Canadian Court, including the Sale Order and Canadian Sale Recognition Order, respectively.

See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA § 1.3.

Excluded Assets	Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in no event shall Sellers be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, and Sellers shall retain all right, title and interest to, in and under any of the other properties, rights, interests and assets of Sellers other than the Acquired Assets (collectively, the "Excluded Assets"). Further notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, and without limiting any rights of Purchaser set forth in this Agreement, to the extent that any specific Acquired Asset located in Canada cannot be sold free and clear of any and all Employment Liabilities, pension liabilities, and successor liabilities of any kind (or such liabilities cannot be removed or released by operation of the Sale Order), Purchaser may, at its sole and absolute discretion, remove such asset from the Acquired Assets prior to Closing with no corresponding reduction in the Purchase Price. For the avoidance of doubt, Sellers shall not be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, and Purchaser shall not acquire, (i) any assets other than the Acquired Assets, (ii) any relationships, obligations, or liabilities in respect of any employees, suppliers, or customers of Sellers, (iii) any products or services in respect of Sellers' business and (iv) any goodwill or intellectual property in respect to Sellers' business. See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA § 1.2.
Excluded Liabilities	Purchaser and the Designated Purchaser(s) (if any) shall not assume, be obligated to pay, perform or otherwise discharge or in any other manner be liable or responsible for any Liabilities of, or Action against, any Seller of any kind or nature whatsoever, whether absolute, accrued, contingent or otherwise, liquidated or unliquidated, due or to become due, known or unknown, currently existing or hereafter arising, matured or unmatured, direct or indirect, and however arising, whether existing on the Closing Date or arising thereafter as a result of any act, omission, or circumstances taking place prior to the Closing, other than the Assumed Liabilities (all such Liabilities that are not Assumed Liabilities being referred to collectively herein as the "Excluded Liabilities"). For the avoidance of doubt, all Liabilities under, associated with or with respect to any employee claim, former employee claim or claims from or related to any collective bargaining agreement, or corresponding or related pension plan obligation, under United States or Canadian Law are expressly excluded. See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA § 1.4.
Representations and Warranties	Customary representations and warranties by Purchaser and Seller, including but not limited to a representation by Estes that it is a credit worthy entity with cash and/or financing commitments for the entire Purchase Price.

	See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, Art. III, IV.
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Sale to Insider Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(A)	N/A.
Agreements with Management Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(B)	N/A.
Releases Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(C)	N/A.
Private Sale/No Competitive Bidding Local Bankr. R. 6004- 1(b)(iv)(D)	N/A. The Debtors have proposed an open Auction and sale process.
Closing and Other Deadlines Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(E)	Closing: The closing of the purchase and sale of the Acquired Assets, the delivery of the Purchase Price, the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement (the "Closing") will take place by telephone conference and electronic exchange of documents (or, if the Parties agree to hold a physical closing, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10022) at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on the second Business Day following full satisfaction or due waiver (by the Party entitled to the benefit of such condition) of the closing conditions set forth in Article VII (other than conditions that by their terms or nature are to be satisfied at the Closing), or at such other place and time as the Parties may agree in writing; provided that the Closing will occur no earlier than 120 calendar days after the Petition Date (i.e., December 4, 2023), which may be extended to 150 days with the written consent of Purchaser (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) and the Persons whose consent is required under any debtor-in-possession financing agreement(s) of Sellers. The date on which the Closing actually occurs is referred to herein as the "Closing Date." In anticipation of and following the Closing Date, Sellers and Purchaser shall make all commercially reasonable efforts to accomplish the recording of all documents and instruments necessary to transfer title to the Acquired Real Property within fourteen (14) days of Closing. Estes shall pay any and all transfer taxes and real estate closing costs in connection with its purchase of the Acquired Assets.

	See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA §§ 2.3(a), 2.7(b), 9.1.
Good Faith Deposit Local Bankr. R. 6004- (b)(iv)(F)	Deposit: 5% of the Cash Payment portion of the Purchase Price.
	See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA § 2.2.
Interim Arrangements with Proposed Buyer Local Bankr. R. 6004- (b)(iv)(G)	N/A.
Use of Proceeds Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(H)	N/A.
Tax Exemption Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(I)	None.
Records Retention Local Bankr. R. 6004- (b)(iv)(J)	For a period of three years post-Closing, books and records will be maintained as set forth in Section 6.2 of the Stalking Horse APA.
Sale of Avoidance Actions Local Bankr. R. 6004- (b)(iv)(K)	None.
Requested Findings as to Successor Liability Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(L)	From and after the Closing, if any Seller or any of its Affiliates is subject to a Liability that should belong to Purchaser or its Affiliates pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, such Seller shall promptly transfer or cause such of its Affiliates to transfer such Liability to Purchaser, and Purchaser shall assume and accept such Liability. From and after the Closing, if Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is subject to a Liability that should belong to a Seller or its Affiliates pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, Purchaser shall promptly transfer or cause such of its Affiliates to transfer such Liability to the applicable Seller or its Affiliates, and such Seller or its Affiliates shall assume and accept such Liability. See Real Estate Stalking Horse APA § 6.11(b).
Sale of Unexpired Leases Free and Clear	One lease (ground lease) will be sold as part of the purchase and sale of the Acquired Assets pursuant to Section 1.1 of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA.

Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(M)	
Credit Bid Local Bankr. R.	None.
6004-1(b)(iv)(N)	
Relief from Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h)	The Debtors have requested a waiver of the fourteen day stay under Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h).
Local Bankr. R. 6004-1(b)(iv)(O)	

IV. The Estes Bid Protections.

- 21. The Debtors seek approval of the Estes Bid Protections. As set forth above, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA contemplates Bid Protections in the form of: (i) a breakup fee in the amount of \$7,500,000, which is equal to approximately 0.5% of the Purchase Price (the "Breakup Fee"), payable in the event the Debtors consummate an alternative Transaction (or Transactions) with respect to the Acquired Assets; and (ii) a provision for reimbursement of reasonable and documented fees and expenses not to exceed \$1,600,000, which is equal to approximately 0.1% of the Purchase Price (the "Expense Reimbursement").
- 22. The Estes Bid Protections were a necessary component of the Estes Stalking Horse Bid. The Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder was unlikely to submit the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, let alone permit the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA to be subject to higher or otherwise better offers (which may take the form of several combined Bids aggregating into a superior alternative for the Debtors), without the Estes Bid Protections.
- 23. The Estes Bid Protections promote competitive bidding for the Acquired Assets by inducing the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder to hold the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA open as a minimum bid for all of the Owned Properties on which the Debtors (and other Acceptable Bidders for all of the Owned Properties) can rely. The Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, if

consummated, would generate proceeds to the estate *at least* exceeding the aggregate amount of the Debtors' outstanding prepetition secured debt. Thus, Estes, through its Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, (a) has provided a meaningful floor for bidding on the Owned Properties in the aggregate, (b) will serve as a catalyst for other Qualified Bids, and (c) provides critical assurance to the Debtors and their stakeholders regarding the minimum—and significant—value to ultimately be generated on account of the Sale (or Sales, as applicable) of the Owned Properties.

24. Executing the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA contemporaneous with approval of the Bidding Procedures will put the Debtors in a comfortable position to solicit competing Bids for the Owned Properties that may be materially higher or otherwise better than the Estes Stalking Horse Bid. As mentioned, such Winning Bid (or Winning Bids) may take the form of either a single Bid or the combination of multiple Bids for different packages of or individual Owned Properties. The Real Estate Stalking Horse APA is subject to higher or otherwise better alternatives and provides a meaningful floor of value for the Owned Properties in the aggregate. The Estes Bid Protections are reasonable and substantially below market for bid protections in similar transactions routinely approved by courts in this and other jurisdictions. The Estes Bid Protections are also appropriate in light of the extensive benefits to be provided to the Debtors, their estates, and their stakeholders by the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. Accordingly, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, including the Estes Bidding Protections, should be approved.

Basis for Relief

- I. The Selection of Estes as Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder Should Be Approved as an Exercise of Sound Business Judgment.
- 25. Section 363(b)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code provides that a debtor, "after notice and a hearing, may use, sell or lease, other than in the ordinary course of business, property of the estate." 11 U.S.C. § 363(b)(1). A sale of the debtor's assets should be authorized pursuant to

section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code if a sound business purpose exists for the proposed transaction. *See, e.g., In re Martin,* 91 F.3d 389, 395 (3d. Cir. 1996) ("Under Section 363, the debtor in possession can sell property of the estate . . . if he has an 'articulated business justification'"); *see also In re Schipper,* 933 F.2d 513, 515 (7th Cir. 1991) (same); *Comm. of Equity Sec. Holders v. Lionel Corp.* (*In re Lionel Corp.*), 722 F.2d 1063, 1070 (2d Cir. 1983); *In re Telesphere Commc's, Inc.,* 179 B.R. 544, 552 (Bankr. N.D. III. 1999).

- Once the Debtors articulate a valid business justification, "[t]he business judgment rule 'is a presumption that in making the business decision the directors of a corporation acted on an informed basis, in good faith, and in the honest belief that the action was in the best interests of the company." *In re S.N.A. Nut Co.*, 186 B.R. 98, 102 (Bankr. N.D. Ill 1995) (citations omitted); *In re Filene's Basement, LLC*, 11-13511 (KJC), 2014 WL 1713416, at *12 (Bankr. D. Del. Apr. 29, 2014) ("If a valid business justification exists, then a strong presumption follows that the agreement at issue was negotiated in good faith and is in the best interests of the estate") (citations omitted); *Integrated Res.*, 147 B.R. at 656; *In re Johns-Manville Corp.*, 60 B.R. 612, 615–16 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1986) ("a presumption of reasonableness attaches to a Debtor's management decisions.").
- 27. As set forth above, the Debtors have a sound business justification for selecting Estes as the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder for the Owned Properties.
- 28. *First*, the Debtors conducted a thorough marketing process for the Owned Properties, including for a stalking horse specifically, and engaged in extensive, arm's-length negotiations with both Estes and Old Dominion before selecting Estes as the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder. Ultimately, the Debtors and their advisors, including Ducera, determined that the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA provided by Estes offered the highest or otherwise best stalking

horse bid for the Acquired Assets. The Real Estate Stalking Horse APA will (a) generate \$1.525 billion in proceeds for the Acquired Assets if consummated, and (b) establish a meaningful "floor" for the Acquired Assets.

- 29. Second, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA will not chill bidding, but rather, will foster a competitive process. The Real Estate Stalking Horse APA is subject to competing Bids, which may be for all, packages of, or individual Assets (including the Owned Properties). The proposed Bidding Procedures provide significant flexibility to the Debtors to maximize the proceeds of the Sale(s) of their Owned Properties. At the same time, the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA signals to the market (and guarantees to the Debtors' estates) a significant price floor of \$1.525 billion for the Owned Properties in the aggregate.
- 30. Third, the Debtors and Ducera will continue to market all of the Assets (including the Acquired Assets subject to the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA) and solicit any and all other Bids consistent with the Bidding Procedures. As described in the Real Estate Stalking Horse Declaration, hundreds of parties have already gained access to the Data Room. Further, all interested parties are eligible to become Acceptable Bidders and gain access to the Data Room. Under the Bidding Procedures, Bids for the Owned Properties are not required to be submitted until November 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). The Bidding Procedures will provide interested bidders ample time to prepare and submit Bids as well as enable the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to pursue the highest or otherwise best alternative(s) for monetizing the Assets (including for the Owned Properties). The Bidding Procedures and the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, taken together, provide both (a) flexibility to the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to pursue and ultimately consummate the best value-

maximizing alternative for the Owned Properties and (b) assurance to the Debtors and their stakeholders that the proceeds of the Owned Properties will be at least \$1.525 billion.

31. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court make a finding that the selection of Estes as the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder for the Acquired Assets is for the highest and otherwise best stalking horse offer currently available for the Acquired Assets and that the Debtors' entry into the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA reflects a proper exercise of the Debtors' business judgment and rightly authorized.

II. The Estes Bid Protections Have a Sound Business Purpose and Should Be Approved.

- 32. The Debtors seek authority to provide the Estes Bid Protections to the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder. The Debtors have agreed to pay the Expense Reimbursement and the Breakup Fee (if triggered) to Estes as an allowed administrative expense priority claim. The Estes Bid Protections are customary and appropriate for stalking horse agreements of this type and purpose.
- 33. The use of a stalking horse in a public auction process for sales pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code is a customary practice in chapter 11 cases, as the use of a stalking horse bid is, in many circumstances, the best way to maximize value in an auction process by "establish[ing] a framework for competitive bidding and facilitat[ing] a realization of that value." *Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors v. Interforum Holding LLC*, 2011 WL 2671254, No. 11-219, *1 (E.D. Wis. July 7, 2011). As a result, stalking horse bidders virtually always require break-up fees and, in many cases, other forms of bid protections as an inducement for "setting the floor at auction, exposing its bid to competing bidders, and providing other bidders with access to the due diligence necessary to enter into an asset purchase agreement." *Id.* (internal citations omitted). Thus, the use of bid protections has become an established practice in chapter 11 cases.

- 34. Indeed, break-up fees and other forms of bid protections are a normal and, in many cases, necessary component of significant sales conducted under section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code: "Break-up fees are important tools to encourage bidding and to maximize the value of the debtor's assets In fact, because the . . . corporation has a duty to encourage bidding, break-up fees can be *necessary* to discharge [such] duties to maximize value." *Integrated Res.*, 147 B.R. at 659–60 (emphasis added). Specifically, bid protections "may be legitimately necessary to convince a 'white knight' bidder to enter the bidding by providing some form of compensation for the risks it is undertaking." *995 Fifth Ave.*, 96 B.R. at 28 (quotations omitted); *see also Integrated Resources*, 147 B.R. at 660–61 (bid protections can prompt bidders to commence negotiations and "ensure that a bidder does not retract its bid"); *In re Hupp Int'l Indus., Inc.*, 140 B.R. 191, 194 (Bankr. N.D. Ohio 1992) ("[W]ithout such fees, bidders would be reluctant to make an initial bid for fear that their first bid will be shopped around for a higher bid from another bidder who would capitalize on the initial bidder's . . . due diligence.").
- 35. As a result, courts routinely approve such bid protections in connection with proposed bankruptcy sales where a proposed fee or reimbursement provides a benefit to the estate. See In re O'Brien Envtl. Energy, Inc., 181 F.3d 527 (3d Cir. 1999). The Debtors believe that in connection with designating a Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder, the Bid Protections are necessary and, together with the Bid, provide the Debtors' estates a floor for further bidding that may increase the consideration given in exchange for the Assets.
- 36. The Estes Bid Protections were necessary to attract and retain Estes as the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder. Indeed, although the Estes Bid Protections are substantially below market relative to bid protections routinely approved as part of similarly sized transactions by courts in this and other jurisdictions, they were a material inducement for Estes to provide the Real

Estate Stalking Horse APA. The Debtors and Estes negotiated the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA at arms' length and in good faith over the course of several hard-fought weeks. Without the Estes Bid Protections, Estes likely would have withdrawn the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA altogether. Accordingly, the Debtors would have been left without a \$1.525 billion assurance of proceeds for their Owned Properties. At the same time, the Bidding Procedures provide significant flexibility for the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, to pursue alternative Sale Transactions for the Owned Properties. As such, the Bid Protections will enable the Debtors to maximize the value of their estates for the benefit of all stakeholders.

- 37. Furthermore, the Debtors believe that the Estes Bid Protections are significantly below market, and fair and reasonable in amount in light of the size and nature of the proposed Sale Transaction to Estes under the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA and the significant efforts expended by Estes in connection with negotiating and entering into the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. In addition, given that the Breakup Fee (if triggered) will be paid out of the proceeds of any competing Sale Transaction(s), such payment will not diminish the Debtors' estates. Finally, the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder is not an "insider" of the Debtors, as that term is defined in section 101(31) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 38. As mentioned, the Estes Bid Protections are significantly below the range of bid protections typically approved by bankruptcy courts in the Third Circuit. When considered together, the combined total Breakup Fee and Expense Reimbursement in the maximum amount of \$9.1 million represents approximately only 0.6% of the Purchase Price, a cost the Debtors respectfully submit is well worth the significant benefits of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. In contrast, bankruptcy courts in this district routinely approve bid protections of 4%-5% of a stalking horse's purchase price. *See, e.g.*, Exhibit A to Stalking Horse Declaration; *see also In re*

Things Remembered, Inc., No. 19-10234 (KG) (Bankr. D. Del. Feb. 21, 2019) (approving breakup fee and expense reimbursement equal to 4.4% of the purchase price); In re The Weinstein Company Holdings LLC, 18-10601 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. Apr. 6, 2018) (approving break-up fee and expense reimbursement equal to 5% of the purchase price); In re ATopTech, Inc., No. 17-10111 (MFW) (Bankr. D. Del. Apr. 21, 2017) (approving break-up fee and expense reimbursement equal to 5% of the purchase price); In re Phoenix Brands LLC, No. 16-11242 (BLS) (Bankr. D. Del. June 8, 2016) (approving break-up fee and expense reimbursement equal to 5.3% of the purchase price); In re American Hospice Management Holdings, LLC, No. 16-10670 (LSS) (Bankr. D. Del. Apr. 7, 2016) (approving break-up fee and expense reimbursement equal to 5% of the purchase price). Had the Debtors sought bid protections totaling 4% of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder's proposed Purchase Price, such bid protections (up to \$9.1 million) thus represent \$51.9 million in potential costs averted by the Debtors' estates relative to hypothetical bid protections of 4% of the Purchase Price.

39. For the foregoing reasons, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court authorize the Estes Bid Protections.

III. Relief Under Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) Is Appropriate.

40. Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h) provides that an "order authorizing the use, sale, or lease of property . . . is stayed until the expiration of fourteen days after the entry of the order, unless the court orders otherwise." Additionally, Bankruptcy Rule 6006(d) provides that an "order authorizing the trustee to assign an executory contract or unexpired lease . . . is stayed until the expiration of fourteen days after the entry of the order, unless the court orders otherwise." The Debtors request that the Sale Order be effective immediately upon its entry by providing that the fourteen-day stays under Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) are waived.

- 41. The purpose of Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) is to provide sufficient time for an objecting party to appeal before an order can be implemented. *See* Advisory Committee Notes to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 6004(h) and 6006(d). Although Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) and the Advisory Committee Notes are silent as to when a court should "order otherwise" and eliminate or reduce the fourteen-day stay period, the leading treatise on bankruptcy suggests that the fourteen-day stay should be eliminated to allow a sale or other transaction to close immediately "where there has been no objection to procedure." 10 *Collier on Bankruptcy* ¶ 6004.10 (15th rev. ed. 2006).
- 42. Here, the waiver of the stays under Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d) is necessary to the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. To maximize the value received for the Acquired Assets, the Debtors hereby request that the Court waive the fourteen-day stay period under Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d).

Notice

43. The Debtors will provide notice of this motion to: (a) the U.S. Trustee; (b) the Committee and Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP as proposed counsel to the Committee; (c) the office of the attorney general for each of the states in which the Debtors operate; (d) United States Attorney's Office for the District of Delaware; (e) the Internal Revenue Service; (f) the United States Securities and Exchange Commission; (g) the Junior DIP Lender and counsel thereto; (h) the Junior DIP Agent and counsel thereto; (i) White & Case LLP, as counsel to the B-2 Lenders; (j) the Prepetition ABL Agent and counsel thereto; (k) the B-2 Agent and counsel thereto; (l) the Prepetition UST Tranche A Agent and counsel thereto; (m) the Prepetition UST Tranche B Agent, and counsel thereto; (n) the United States Department of Justice and Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP as counsel to the United States Department of the Treasury; (o) the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder and counsel thereto; and (p) any party that has requested notice

pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 (collectively, the "<u>Notice Parties</u>"). In light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

No Prior Request

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

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter the Order, granting the relief requested in this Motion and granting such other and further relief as is appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: September 13, 2023 Wilmington, Delaware

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Exhibit A

Stalking Horse APA

Execution Copy

ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT DATED AS OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2023 BY AND AMONG

ESTES EXPRESS LINES, AS PURCHASER,

AND

YELLOW CORPORATION

AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES NAMED HEREIN, AS SELLERS

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ASSET PURCHASE AGREEMENT

This Asset Purchase Agreement (this "<u>Agreement</u>"), dated as of September 12, 2023, is made by and among Estes Express Lines, a Virginia corporation ("<u>Purchaser</u>"), and Yellow Corporation, a Delaware corporation (as in existence on the date hereof, as a debtor-in-possession "<u>Yellow</u>") and the Subsidiaries of Yellow that are indicated on the signature pages attached hereto (each a "<u>Seller</u>" and collectively with Yellow, the "<u>Sellers</u>"). Purchaser and Sellers are referred to herein individually as a "<u>Party</u>" and collectively as the "<u>Parties</u>." Capitalized terms used herein shall have the meanings set forth herein, including Article XI.

WHEREAS, on August 6, 2023 (the "Petition Date"), Seller, together with certain of Seller's Affiliates (the "Debtors"), commenced voluntary cases under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101-1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Bankruptcy Court"), which cases are jointly administered for procedural purposes under *In re Yellow Corporation, et. al.*, Case No. 23-11069 (CTG) (Bankr. D. Del. August 6, 2023) (collectively, the "Bankruptcy Cases").

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2023, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Commercial List) (the "<u>Canadian Court</u>") recognized the Bankruptcy Cases as "foreign main proceedings" in proceedings (the "<u>Canadian Recognition Proceedings</u>") commenced by Yellow in its capacity as foreign representative in respect of the Bankruptcy Cases (in such capacity, the "<u>Foreign Representative</u>") pursuant to the Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act (the "<u>CCAA</u>").

WHEREAS, Purchaser desires to purchase the Acquired Assets and assume the Assumed Liabilities from Sellers, and Sellers desire to sell, convey, assign, and transfer to Purchaser the Acquired Assets together with the Assumed Liabilities, in a sale (i) authorized by the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to, *inter alia*, sections 105, 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, in accordance with the other applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure and the local rules for the Bankruptcy Court, all on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in this Agreement and the Sale Order, and (ii) recognized by the Canadian Court in the Canadian Recognition Proceedings pursuant to the Canadian Sale Recognition Order.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and the mutual representations, warranties, covenants, and agreements set forth herein, and intending to be legally bound hereby, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I PURCHASE AND SALE OF ACQUIRED ASSETS; ASSUMPTION OF ASSUMED LIABILITIES

1.1 <u>Purchase and Sale of the Acquired Assets</u>. Pursuant to sections 105, 363, and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, in the Sale Order, and in the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, at the Closing, Sellers shall sell, transfer, assign, convey, and deliver to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser, and Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser shall purchase, acquire, and accept from Sellers, all of Sellers' right, title and interest in and to, as of the Closing, the Acquired Assets, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances. For the avoidance of doubt, the Acquired Assets shall be free and clear

of any and all Employment Liabilities, pension liabilities, and successor liabilities of any kind. "Acquired Assets" means all of the Sellers' right, title and interest, as of the Closing, in and to:

- (a) the Owned Real Property of the Sellers set forth on <u>Schedule 1.1(a)</u> (the "<u>Acquired Real Property</u>");
- (b) the Contracts set forth on <u>Schedule 1.1(b)</u> (collectively, the "<u>Assigned Contracts</u>");
- (c) to the extent transferable under applicable Law, all of the rights, interests and benefits (if any) accruing under all Permits and Governmental Authorizations related to the Acquired Real Property, and all pending applications therefor;
- (d) all Documents relating solely to the Acquired Real Property included in the Acquired Assets, but excluding any information to the extent prohibited by Law;
- (e) all rights against third parties (including customers, suppliers, vendors, merchants, manufacturers and counterparties to any Assigned Contract), including causes of action, claims, counterclaims, defenses, credits, rebates (including any vendor or supplier rebates), demands, allowances, refunds (other than Tax refunds or Tax attributes), causes of action, rights of set off, rights of recovery, rights of recoupment or rights under or with respect to express or implied guarantees, warranties, representations, covenants or indemnities made by such third parties, with respect to any of the Acquired Real Property, or the Assumed Liabilities, in each case, other than (i) all preference or avoidance claims or actions arising under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable Law, (ii) all claims that any Seller or any of its Affiliates may have against any Person with respect to any other Excluded Assets or any Excluded Liabilities, and (iii) claims against any Seller or its Affiliates.
- Excluded Assets. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, in 1.2 no event shall Sellers be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, and Sellers shall retain all right, title and interest to, in and under any of the other properties, rights, interests and assets of Sellers other than the Acquired Assets (collectively, the "Excluded Assets"). Further notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, and without limiting any rights of Purchaser set forth in this Agreement, to the extent that any specific Acquired Asset located in Canada cannot be sold free and clear of any and all Employment Liabilities, pension liabilities, and successor liabilities of any kind (or such liabilities cannot be removed or released by operation of the Sale Order), Purchaser may, at its sole and absolute discretion, remove such asset from the Acquired Assets prior to Closing with no corresponding reduction in the Purchase Price. For the avoidance of doubt, Sellers shall not be deemed to sell, transfer, assign, convey or deliver, and Purchaser shall not acquire, (i) any assets other than the Acquired Assets, (ii) any relationships, obligations, or liabilities in respect of any employees, suppliers, or customers of Sellers, (iii) any products or services in respect of Sellers' business and (iv) any goodwill or intellectual property in respect to Sellers' business.
- 1.3 <u>Assumption of Certain Liabilities</u>. On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth herein, in the Sale Order, and in the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, effective as of the Closing, in addition to the payment of the Cash Payment in accordance with Section 2.1, Purchaser

or a Designated Purchaser shall irrevocably assume from each Seller (and from and after the Closing pay, perform, discharge, or otherwise satisfy in accordance with their respective terms), and Sellers shall irrevocably transfer, assign, convey, and deliver to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser, only the following Liabilities, without duplication and only to the extent not paid prior to the Closing (collectively, the "Assumed Liabilities"):

- (a) all Liabilities and obligations of any Seller under the Assigned Contracts that become due from and after the Closing;
- (b) all cure costs required to be paid pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code in connection with the assumption and assignment of the Assigned Contracts (the "<u>Cure</u> Costs");
- (c) all Liabilities (including, for the avoidance of doubt, Taxes other than income Taxes of Sellers) relating to amounts required to be paid, or actions required to be taken or not to be taken, by Purchaser under this Agreement and all Transfer Taxes;
- (d) all Liabilities agreed to be assumed by Purchaser or for which Purchaser has agreed to be responsible in accordance with this Agreement; and
- (e) all Liabilities arising out of or relating to any environmental, health or safety matter, including those arising under or relating to Environmental Laws or Hazardous Materials, in connection with ownership, operation, use or maintenance of the Acquired Assets, whenever arising or occurring (the "Environmental Liabilities") other than those Environmental Liabilities (i) that are dischargeable, or capable of being sold free and clear, pursuant to Section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, the Sale Order or the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, (ii) that are otherwise dischargeable pursuant to Section 1141 of the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, the Sale Order or the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, or (iii) from which the Acquired Assets are otherwise released as of the Closing pursuant to an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or Canadian Court, including the Sale Order and Canadian Sale Recognition Order, respectively.
- 1.4 Excluded Liabilities. Purchaser and the Designated Purchaser(s) (if any) shall not assume, be obligated to pay, perform or otherwise discharge or in any other manner be liable or responsible for any Liabilities of, or Action against, any Seller of any kind or nature whatsoever, whether absolute, accrued, contingent or otherwise, liquidated or unliquidated, due or to become due, known or unknown, currently existing or hereafter arising, matured or unmatured, direct or indirect, and however arising, whether existing on the Closing Date or arising thereafter as a result of any act, omission, or circumstances taking place prior to the Closing, other than the Assumed Liabilities (all such Liabilities that are not Assumed Liabilities being referred to collectively herein as the "Excluded Liabilities"). For the avoidance of doubt, all Liabilities under, associated with or with respect to any employee claim, former employee claim or claims from or related to any collective bargaining agreement, or corresponding or related pension plan obligation, under United States or Canadian Law are expressly excluded.

1.5 <u>Assumption/Rejection of Certain Contracts.</u>

(a) <u>Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts</u>. Sellers shall provide timely and proper written notice of the motion seeking entry of the Sale Order, and, as applicable,

the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, to all parties to any executory Contracts or unexpired leases to which any Seller is a party that are Assigned Contracts and take all other actions reasonably necessary to cause such Contracts to be assumed by Sellers and assigned to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, and, as applicable, the CCAA, to the extent that such Contracts are Assigned Contracts at Closing. The Sale Order shall provide that as of and conditioned on the occurrence of the Closing, the applicable Sellers shall assume and assign or cause to be assigned to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser, as applicable, the Assigned Contracts, each of which shall be identified by the name or appropriate description and date of the Assigned Contract (if available), the other party to the Assigned Contract and the address of such party for notice purposes, all included in a notice filed with the Bankruptcy Court. Such notice shall also set forth Sellers' good faith estimate of the amounts necessary to cure any defaults under each of the Assigned Contracts as determined by Sellers based on their books and records or as otherwise determined by the Bankruptcy Court. At the Closing, Sellers shall, pursuant to the Sale Order, and the Assignment and Assumption Agreement(s) assume and assign to Purchaser or Designated Purchaser (the consideration for which is included in the Purchase Price), all Assigned Contracts that may be assigned by any such Seller to Purchaser pursuant to sections 363 and 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and, as applicable, the CCAA. At the Closing, Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser shall (i) pay all Cure Costs and (ii) assume, and thereafter in due course and in accordance with its respective terms pay, fully satisfy, discharge and perform all of the obligations under each Assigned Contract pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and, as applicable, the CCAA.

(b) <u>Non-Assignment</u>.

- (i) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, a Contract shall not be an Assigned Contract hereunder and shall not be assigned to, or assumed by, Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser to the extent that such Contract is rejected by a Seller or its Affiliates or terminated by a Seller, its Affiliates or any other party thereto, or terminates or expires by its terms, on or prior to such time as it is to be assumed by Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser as an Assigned Contract hereunder and is not continued or otherwise extended upon assumption.
- (ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Agreement, to the extent an Acquired Asset requires a Consent or Governmental Authorization (other than, and in addition to and determined after giving effect to, any Order of the Bankruptcy Court, including the Sale Order, and any Order of the Canadian Court, including the Canadian Sale Recognition Order) in order to permit the sale or transfer to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser of the applicable Seller's right, title and interest in and to such asset, and such Consent or Governmental Authorization has not been obtained prior to such time as such right, title and interest is to be transferred to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser as an Acquired Asset hereunder, such asset shall not be an Acquired Asset hereunder and shall not be transferred to, or received by, Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser. If any Acquired Asset is deemed not to be assigned pursuant to this clause (ii), the Closing shall nonetheless take place subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein and, thereafter, through the earlier of such time as such Consent or Governmental Authorization is obtained and six months following the Closing (or the closing of the Bankruptcy Cases or dissolution of the applicable Seller(s), if earlier), Sellers and Purchaser (or a Designated Purchaser, if

applicable) shall (A) use reasonable best efforts to secure such Consent or Governmental Authorization as promptly as practicable after the Closing and (B) cooperate in good faith in any lawful and commercially reasonable arrangement reasonably proposed by Purchaser (or such Designated Purchaser), including subcontracting, licensing, or sublicensing to Purchaser any or all of any Seller's rights and obligations with respect to any such Acquired Asset, under which (1) Purchaser (or a Designated Purchaser) shall obtain (without infringing upon the legal rights of such third party or violating any Law) the economic rights and benefits (net of the amount of any related Tax costs imposed on Sellers or their respective Affiliates or any direct costs associated with the retention and maintenance of such Acquired Asset incurred by any Seller or its Affiliates) with respect to such Acquired Asset with respect to which the Consent or Governmental Authorization has not been obtained and (2) Purchaser (or a Designated Purchaser) shall assume and timely discharge any related burden and obligation with respect to such Acquired Asset. Upon satisfying any requisite Consent or Governmental Authorization requirement applicable to such Acquired Asset after the Closing, Seller's right, title and interest in and to such Acquired Asset shall promptly be transferred and assigned to Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and the Sale Order, and, if applicable, the Canadian Sale Recognition Order. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the provisions of this Section 1.5(b) shall not apply to any Consent or approval required under the HSR Act, the Competition Act Approval and the CTA Approval, if required, and any Antitrust Laws, which Consent or approval shall be governed by Section 6.3 and (y) no Seller will be obligated to pay any consideration therefor to any third party from whom Consent or Governmental Authorization is requested or to initiate any litigation to obtain any such Consent or Governmental Authorization.

ARTICLE II CONSIDERATION; PAYMENT; CLOSING

2.1 Consideration; Payment.

- (a) The aggregate consideration (collectively, the "<u>Purchase Price</u>") to be paid by Purchaser for the purchase of the Acquired Assets shall be: (i) a cash payment of ONE BILLION FIVE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$1,525,000,000.00), subject to adjustments as specified in <u>Section 2.7</u> (the "<u>Cash Payment</u>"), (ii) the assumption of Assumed Liabilities, provided that, notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to the Assumed Liabilities of Canadian Seller to be assumed pursuant to this Agreement, such price shall be satisfied solely by the assumption of Assumed Liabilities that are accrued liabilities of Canadian Seller, (iii) the storage of the Rolling Stock on Purchaser's property pursuant to <u>Section 6.13</u> hereof, and (iv) such other consideration under law provided to Sellers pursuant to this Agreement.
- (b) At the Closing, Purchaser shall deliver, or cause to be delivered, to Sellers the Cash Payment, as adjusted pursuant to <u>Section 2.7</u>, <u>less</u> the Deposit, (the "<u>Closing Date Payment</u>"). The Closing Date Payment and any payment required to be made pursuant to any other provision hereof shall be made in cash by wire transfer of immediately available funds to such bank account as shall be designated in writing by the applicable Party to (or for the benefit of) whom such payment is to be made at least two Business Days prior to the date such payment is to be made.

(c) The Purchaser shall be liable for and shall pay all Transfer Taxes in addition to the Purchase Price.

2.2 <u>Deposit</u>.

- (a) Purchaser, Yellow and Acquiom Clearinghouse LLC (the "Escrow Agent") have entered into the Escrow Agreement, pursuant to which, Purchaser has, on the date hereof, made an earnest money deposit with the Escrow Agent in the amount equal to 5% of the Cash Payment portion of the Purchase Price (the "Deposit"), by wire transfer of immediately available funds for deposit into a separate segregated, interest bearing escrow account maintained by the Escrow Agent in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order and Escrow Agreement. Interest will be applied to the Purchase Price if Purchaser is the Successful Bidder and returned to Purchaser in accordance with Section 2.2(c) if Purchaser is not the Successful Bidder. The Deposit shall not be subject to any lien, attachment, trustee process, or any other judicial process of any creditor of any Seller or Purchaser and shall be applied against payment of the Purchase Price on the Closing Date or otherwise paid or disbursed as expressly provided in this Agreement.
- (b) If this Agreement has been terminated by Sellers pursuant to Section 8.1(d), 8.1(f), or 8.1(j) (or by Purchaser pursuant to Section 8.1(b) or 8.1(c), in each case in circumstances where Sellers would be entitled to terminate this Agreement pursuant to Section 8.1(d), 8.1(f), or 8.1(j), then the Parties shall promptly, but in any event within five (5) Business Days after such termination hereof, deliver joint written instructions to the Escrow Agent directing the Escrow Agent to transfer by wire transfer of immediately available funds 100% of the Deposit (together with any and all investment interest thereon, if any) to such account(s) as may be designated by Yellow, and Yellow shall retain the Deposit (together with any and all investment interest thereon if any); provided that nothing in this paragraph shall be deemed to limit any other remedies to which Purchaser may be entitled under this Agreement or applicable Law.
- (c) If this Agreement has been terminated by any Party, other than as contemplated by Section 2.2(b), then the Parties shall promptly, but in any event within five (5) Business Days after such termination hereof, deliver joint written instructions to the Escrow Agent directing the Escrow Agent to transfer by wire transfer of immediately available funds 100% of the Deposit (together with any and all investment interest thereon, if any) to such account(s) as may be designated by Purchaser, and the Deposit, together with any and all investment interest thereon, if any, shall be returned to Purchaser within five (5) Business Days after such termination.
- (d) The Parties agree that Sellers' right to retain the Deposit (together with any and all investment interest thereon if any), as set forth in Section 2.2(b), is not a penalty, but rather is liquidated damages in a reasonable amount that will compensate Sellers for their efforts and resources expended and the opportunities foregone while negotiating this Agreement and in reliance on this Agreement and on the expectation of the consummation of the Transactions, which amount would otherwise be impossible to calculate with precision.
- (e) If the Closing occurs, at the Closing the Parties shall deliver joint written instructions to the Escrow Agent directing the Escrow Agent to transfer by wire transfer of immediately available funds 100% of the Deposit (together with any and all investment interest thereon, if any), less the aggregate amount of any Disputed Amounts, to such account(s) as may

be designated by Yellow. In the event there are any Disputed Amounts at the time of the Closing, the parties shall, within one (1) Business Day following the resolution of such Disputed Amounts by the Independent Accountant in accordance with Section 2.7(c)(ii), deliver joint written instructions to the Escrow Agent directing the Escrow Agent to transfer by wire transfer of immediately available funds the remaining amounts of the Deposit and any additional Deposit amounts to the Party or Parties entitled thereto pursuant to the written decision of the Independent Accountant as set forth in Section 2.7(c)(ii), to such account(s) as may be designated by such recipient Party or Parties.

2.3 Closing; Escrow.

- Closing. The closing of the purchase and sale of the Acquired Assets, the delivery of the Purchase Price, the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities in accordance with this Agreement (the "Closing") will take place by telephone conference and electronic exchange of documents (or, if the Parties agree to hold a physical closing, at the offices of Kirkland & Ellis LLP, located at 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10022) at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time on the second Business Day following full satisfaction or due waiver (by the Party entitled to the benefit of such condition) of the closing conditions set forth in Article VII (other than conditions that by their terms or nature are to be satisfied at the Closing), or at such other place and time as the Parties may agree in writing; provided that the Closing will occur no earlier than 120 calendar days after the Petition Date (i.e., December 4, 2023), which may be extended to 150 days with the written consent of Purchaser (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) and the Persons whose consent is required under any debtor-in-possession financing agreement(s) of Sellers. The date on which the Closing actually occurs is referred to herein as the "Closing Date." In anticipation of and following the Closing Date, Sellers and Purchaser shall make all commercially reasonable efforts to accomplish the recording of all documents and instruments necessary to transfer title to the Acquired Real Property within fourteen (14) days of Closing.
- <u>Closing Escrow</u>. The Closing shall take place pursuant to a money escrow at Newmark Title Services, One Penn Plaza, Suite 3406, New York, NY 10119, Ph: (301) 347-4886, Attn: Douglas M. Atkins, Senior Commercial Counsel (douglas.atkins@nmrk.com) (the "Title Company") in accordance with the standard document and money escrow agreement utilized by the Title Company ("Closing Escrow") to be opened with the Title Company on or before the Closing Date, with such special provisions inserted in the Closing Escrow as may be required to conform to this Agreement; provided that, in the event of a conflict between the terms of this Agreement and the Closing Escrow, the terms of this Agreement shall control. All of the documents required to be delivered pursuant to Section 2.4 and Section 2.5, and otherwise appropriate to consummate the Transactions shall be delivered to the Title Company, as closing agent, on or before Closing. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Parties agree that the Closing may take place remotely or in a manner so that the Parties and their respective attorneys, or any of them, need not be physically present and may deliver all necessary documents by overnight mail or other means, in which event the Parties agree to complete all arrangements for Closing not later than the Closing Date so that all requirements, with the exception of the Purchase Price, for Closing are in place by the scheduled time for the Closing.
- (c) Furthermore, with respect to any Acquired Real Property located in Canada, the Parties agree that their respective Canadian attorneys will attend to the conveyance of such

Acquired Real Property located in Canada in accordance with typical practices for the vesting of real property pursuant to a transaction completed pursuant to an insolvency proceeding in Canada, none of which shall expand the representations and warranties, or any other Liability of Sellers, or remedies of Purchaser against Sellers, hereunder.

- 2.4 <u>Closing Deliveries by Sellers</u>. At or prior to the Closing, Sellers shall deliver to Purchaser:
- (a) an assignment and assumption agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit A (the "Assignment and Assumption Agreement") duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
- (b) a quit claim deed with respect to each parcel of Acquired Real Property located outside of Canada, duly executed by the applicable Sellers;
- (c) with respect to each Seller that owns Acquired Real Property in Canada, a statutory declaration or other evidence satisfactory to Purchaser, acting reasonably, that each such Seller either (i) is not a non-resident of Canada within the meaning of section 116 of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or (ii) is a "Canadian partnership" within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada);
- (d) an IRS Form W-9 or IRS Form W-8, as applicable, executed by each Seller or each Seller's regarded owner for U.S. federal income Tax purposes;
- (e) an officer's certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed by a duly authorized officer of Yellow certifying that the conditions set forth in Sections 7.2(a) and 7.2(c) have been satisfied;
- (f) a no warranty deed of sale in registerable form executed by the applicable Purchaser with respect to the Acquired Real Property located in Quebec;
- (g) such other documents, certificates, instruments, affidavits and transfer tax returns as are customarily executed by a seller of real property, and in the customary form, in the applicable city, county and state or province where each parcel of the Acquired Real Property is located, none of which shall expand the representations and warranties, or any other Liability of Sellers, or remedies of Purchaser against Sellers, hereunder;
- (h) physical access to and possession of each parcel of the Acquired Real Property; and
- (i) a no warranty deed of sale in registerable form executed by the applicable Seller and the Purchaser with respect to the Acquired Real Property located in Quebec.
 - 2.5 <u>Closing Deliveries by Purchaser.</u>
 - (a) At the Closing, Purchaser shall deliver to (or at the direction of) Sellers:
 - (i) the Closing Date Payment;

- (ii) the Assignment and Assumption Agreement, duly executed by Purchaser;
- (iii) an officer's certificate, dated as of the Closing Date, executed by a duly authorized officer of Purchaser certifying that the conditions set forth in Sections 7.3(a) and 7.3(b) have been satisfied;
- (iv) from Purchaser or any applicable Designated Purchaser of Acquired Real Property in Canada: (A) a certificate setting out its registration number under Part IX of the Excise Tax Act (Canada) and, if applicable, An Act respecting the Québec sales tax (Quebec), (B) a GST/HST and QST undertaking to self-assess, report and pay directly to the appropriate Governmental Body any applicable GST/HST and QST imposed on the purchase of any Acquired Real Property in Canada, and (C) an indemnity in favor of the Sellers with respect to the purchase and sale of each Acquired Real Property in Canada and Transfer Taxes applicable in connection therewith; and
- (v) such other documents, certificates, instruments, affidavits and transfer tax returns as are customarily executed by a purchaser of real property, and in the customary form, in the applicable city, county, state or province where each parcel of the Acquired Real Property is located.
- (b) Further at the Closing, Purchaser shall pay the Prorations and Closing-Related Costs set forth in Section 2.7.
- 2.6 <u>Withholding</u>. Purchaser shall not be entitled to deduct and withhold any Taxes from any amounts otherwise payable pursuant to this Agreement, except to the extent resulting from a Seller's failure to satisfy its obligations under Section 2.4(d).

2.7 Adjustment; Prorations and Expenses.

- (a) <u>Prorations</u>. The following prorations (the "<u>Prorations</u>"), except as specifically provided in this Agreement to the contrary, shall be made as of 12:01 a.m. on the Closing Date, it being agreed between the Parties that the Closing Date shall be an income and expense day for Purchaser, and shall be applied to reduce or increase the Purchase Price and the Closing Date Payment, as applicable:
 - (i) <u>Taxes</u>. All Taxes with respect to the Acquired Real Property not due and payable as of the Closing Date, shall be prorated as of the Closing Date based on the most recent ascertainable tax information for tax parcel number(s) that is attributable to the Acquired Real Property. All prorations shall be final. Any installments of special or other assessments affecting the Acquired Real Property which are due and payable for the period prior to the Closing Date shall be paid by Sellers at Closing, and any installments of special or other assessments affecting the Acquired Real Property which are due and payable for the period subsequent to the Closing Date shall be paid by Purchaser. The term "<u>Taxes</u>" as used in this <u>Section 2.7(a)(i)</u> includes general assessments, including regular annual assessments payable to any property owners association, but does not include rollback or deferred taxes which shall be paid by the Purchaser without contribution from the Sellers even if such rollback or deferred taxes are applicable to a period prior to Closing.

- (ii) <u>Payments</u>. All of the following: (A) utilities; (B) water and sewer charges; (C) other payments due under any of the Assigned Contracts; (D) any prepaid items which are transferred to Purchaser at the Closing and annual permit and inspection fees; and (E) and any other items, the credit or proration of which are necessary to fairly allocate the benefits and burdens of ownership of the Acquired Assets, shall be prorated at the Closing. All prorations shall be final.
- (iii) <u>Miscellaneous</u>. In the event that accurate prorations and other adjustments cannot be made at Closing because current bills are not available or the amount to be adjusted is not yet ascertainable, the Parties shall prorate on the best available information. All prorations shall be final.
- (b) Closing-Related Costs. At Closing, Purchaser shall pay (i) the cost of the Closing Escrow; (ii) any costs related to any inspections by any municipality and repairs required by any municipal, county, provincial, or state inspections, if any, and shall meet any other requirements as established by any municipal, county, provincial, or State ordinance with regard to the transfer of real estate; (iii) all financing related fees related to any Purchaser financing; and (iv) all recording and registration charges for the each conveyancing document and all documents pertaining to any Purchaser financing. Without limitation, the Designated Purchaser of Acquired Real Property in Canada is solely responsible for the timely payment of all GST/HST and provincial and municipal transfer taxes and duties on the transfer of immovables payable in connection with the conveyance of the Acquired Real Property in Canada. All closing costs other than as specified above, or as may be specifically allocated elsewhere in this Agreement, will be payable by the party responsible therefor at Closing. Except as otherwise provided for in this Agreement, the Parties shall each be solely responsible for the fees and disbursements of their respective counsel and other professional advisors (all of the foregoing, the "Closing-Related Costs").

(c) Closing Statement; Resolution of Disputes.

At least three (3) Business Days prior to the Closing, Purchaser shall (i) deliver to Yellow a statement setting forth Purchaser's good faith estimates (prepared by the Title Company) of (and reasonably delated calculations of) the Closing Date Payment, the Prorations, and the Closing-Related Costs, and within one (1) Business Day thereafter Yellow shall deliver to Purchaser a statement setting forth Yellow's good faith estimates of (and reasonably delated calculations of) Yellow's response to such amounts (the "Closing Statement"). The Parties shall work together in good faith to resolve any differences that they may have with respect to the computation of any items in the Closing Statement which arise in connection with Purchaser's review thereof (it being understood that updated information from the Title Company may require changes to such amounts); provided that in the event any such differences are not resolved by the day immediately preceding the Closing Date, then the Closing shall proceed pursuant to this Article II, based on the amounts set forth in the Closing Statement together with any changes that the Parties have agreed to, and any amounts remaining in dispute (being the difference between each Party's good faith position on each such amount, the "Disputed Amounts") will be retained by the Escrow Agent until resolution of such dispute in accordance with Section 2.7(c)(ii).

All Disputed Amounts shall be submitted for resolution to Kroll, LLC (the "Independent Accountant") who, acting as experts and not arbitrators, shall resolve the Disputed Amounts only and make any relevant adjustments to the Closing Statement. The parties hereto agree that all adjustments shall be made without regard to materiality. The Independent Accountant shall only decide the specific items under dispute by the parties, acting as an expert and not as an arbitrator, and its decision for each Disputed Amount must be within the range of values asserted by the Parties, respectively. The fees and expenses of the Independent Accountant shall be allocated to and borne by Purchaser, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, in inverse proportion as they may prevail on the Disputed Amounts, which proportionate allocations shall be calculated on an aggregate basis based on the relative dollar values of all Disputed Amounts and shall be determined by the Independent Accountant and included in its written decision. The Independent Accountant shall decide as soon as practicable within thirty (30) days (or such other time as the Parties shall agree in writing) after their engagement, and their resolution of the Disputed Amounts and their adjustments to the Closing Statement shall be conclusive and binding upon the parties hereto, and the Disputed Amounts shall be released by the Escrow Agent and disbursed to the Party or Parties set forth in the written decision of the Independent Accountant in accordance with this Section 2.7(c)(ii).

ARTICLE III REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF SELLERS

Except as (i) disclosed in the forms, reports, schedules, statements, exhibits and other documents filed with the SEC by Yellow in respect of Sellers and their business to the extent publicly available on the SEC's EDGAR database (other than any disclosures set forth under the headings "Risk Factors" or "Forward-Looking Statements" and any other disclosures included therein to the extent they are forward-looking in nature), (ii) disclosed in any forms, statements or other documents filed with the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court, (iii) set forth in the Schedules delivered by Sellers concurrently herewith (each, a "Schedule" and collectively, the "Schedules") and subject to Section 10.10, or (iv) disclosed in land registry offices, Sellers represent and warrant to Purchaser as of the date hereof as follows.

- 3.1 <u>Organization and Qualification</u>. Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.1</u>, each Seller is a corporation or limited liability company, as applicable, duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or formation. Except as set forth in <u>Schedule 3.1</u>, each Seller is duly licensed or qualified to do business under the Laws of each jurisdiction in which the nature of the business conducted by it makes such licensing or qualification necessary, except where failure to be so licensed, qualified or in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- 3.2 <u>Authorization of Agreement</u>. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals:
- (a) each Seller has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and the other Transaction Agreements to which each such Seller is a party and to perform its obligations hereunder and to consummate the Transactions;

- (b) the execution, delivery and performance by each Seller of this Agreement and the other Transaction Agreements to which such Seller is a party, and the consummation by such Seller of the Transactions, subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals being granted, have been duly authorized by all requisite corporate action, limited liability company action or limited partnership action on the part of such Seller, as applicable, and no other organizational proceedings on such Seller's part are necessary to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by such Seller of this Agreement or the other Transaction Agreements and the consummation by it of the Transactions; and
- (c) this Agreement and the other Transaction Agreements to which each Seller is a party have been, or will be, duly executed and delivered by such Seller and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery hereof and thereof by the other parties hereto and thereto, constitutes, or will constitute, legal, valid and binding obligations of such Seller, enforceable against such Seller in accordance with its and their terms, except that such enforceability (a) may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, fraudulent transfer, reorganization, moratorium and other similar Laws of general application affecting or relating to the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and (b) is subject to general principles of equity, whether considered in a proceeding at law or in equity (collectively, the "Enforceability Exceptions").
- Conflicts; Consents. Assuming that (a) the Sale Order, the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, and all other requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals are obtained, (b) the notices, authorizations, approvals, Orders, Permits or consents set forth on Schedule 3.3(b) are made, given or obtained (as applicable), and (c) the requirements of the HSR Act, Competition Act, CTA, and any other Antitrust Law applicable to the Transactions are complied with, neither the execution and delivery by Sellers of this Agreement or the other Transaction Agreements, nor the consummation by Sellers of the Transactions, nor performance or compliance by Sellers with any of the terms or provisions hereof or thereof, will (i) conflict with or violate any provision of the Organizational Documents of each Seller (ii) except as set forth on Schedule 3.3(b), violate or constitute a breach of or default (with or without notice or lapse of time, or both) under or give rise to a right of termination, modification, or cancelation of any obligation or to the loss of any benefit, any of the terms or provisions of any Assigned Contract or accelerate any Seller's obligations under any such Assigned Contract, (iii) violate any Law or Order applicable to any Seller or (iv) result in the creation of any Encumbrance (other than a Permitted Encumbrance) on any of the Acquired Assets, except, in the case of clauses (ii) or (iii), as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- 3.4 <u>Title to Acquired Real Property. Schedule 1.1(a)</u> sets forth a true and complete list of all Acquired Real Property. Sellers have good, valid and marketable fee simple title to the Acquired Real Property, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than Permitted Encumbrances and Encumbrances that will be released or terminated at or prior to Closing. With respect to the Acquired Real Property, except as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.4</u>, none of the Sellers has currently leased or otherwise granted to any Person the right to use or occupy such Acquired Real Property or any portion thereof. As it relates to Acquired Real Property in Canada, this Agreement is subject to compliance with the provisions of the relevant provincial legislation relating to the subdivision of land and any other similar legislation in such provinces, to the extent applicable. Prior to the Closing Date, the leases set forth on Schedule 3.4 shall have terminated in accordance with their

terms prior to the Closing or the Debtors shall have moved in the Bankruptcy Court and the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered a final order rejecting such leases.

- Assigned Contracts. True and complete copies of all Assigned Contracts and the leases set forth on Schedule 3.4 have previously been made available to Purchaser or Purchaser's Advisors. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals being granted, and assumption by the applicable Seller of the applicable Contract in accordance with applicable Law (including satisfaction by Purchaser of any applicable Cure Costs) and except (i) as a result of the commencement of the Bankruptcy Cases and the Canadian Recognition Proceedings and (ii) with respect to any Contract that has previously expired in accordance with its terms, been terminated, restated, or replaced, (A) each Assigned Contract is valid and binding on the Seller that is a party thereto and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, each other party thereto, and is in full force and effect, subject to the Enforceability Exceptions, (B) the applicable Seller, and, to the Knowledge of Sellers, any other party thereto, have performed all obligations required to be performed by it under each Assigned Contract, (C) Sellers have received no written notice of the existence of any breach or default on the part of any Seller under any Assigned Contract, (D) there are no events or conditions which constitute, or, after notice or lapse of time or both, will constitute a default on the part of a Seller, or to the Knowledge of Sellers, any counterparty under such Assigned Contract and (E) to the Knowledge of Sellers, Sellers have not received any written notice from any Person that such Person intends to terminate, or not renew, any Assigned Contract, except in each case of clauses (A) through (E), as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- Environmental Matters. Except as set forth on Schedule 3.6 or, as would not, individually or in the aggregate, be reasonably expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, (i) Seller and its Subsidiaries are in compliance with all applicable Environmental Laws with respect to the Acquired Assets, which compliance includes complying in all material respects with all Permits required by applicable Environmental Laws for the ownership and operation of the Acquired Assets as currently owned and operated, (ii) within the two (2) years preceding the date hereof, Seller and its Subsidiaries have not received any written notice, and there are no Actions pending or, to the Knowledge of Seller, threatened in writing against Seller or any Subsidiary, regarding any violation of Environmental Laws with respect to the Acquired Assets and (iii) to the Knowledge of Seller, within the past two (2) years preceding the date hereof Seller and its Subsidiaries have not released any Hazardous Material at the Acquired Real Property, in violation of Environmental Laws and in a manner that currently requires remediation by a Seller or its Subsidiaries under Environmental Laws. This Section 3.6 contains the Seller's sole representations and warranties regarding Environmental Laws, Hazardous Materials, or any other environmental, health or safety matters. For the avoidance of doubt, the acquired assets shall be sold to Purchaser free and clear from all Environmental Liabilities as set forth herein.
- 3.7 <u>Brokers</u>. Except for Ducera Partners LLC ("<u>Seller Broker</u>") or as set forth on <u>Schedule 3.7</u>, no broker, investment banker, financial advisor or other Person is entitled to any broker's, finder's, financial advisor's or other similar fee or commission, or the reimbursement of expenses in connection therewith, in connection with the Transactions based upon arrangements made by or on behalf of a Seller or any of its Subsidiaries.

- 3.8 No Other Representations or Warranties. Except for the representations and warranties expressly contained in this Article III (as qualified by the Schedules and in accordance with the express terms and conditions (including limitations and exclusions) of this Agreement) (the "Express Representations") (it being understood that Purchaser has relied only on such Express Representations and warranties), Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that no Seller nor any other Person on behalf of any Seller makes, and neither Purchaser has relied on, is relying on, or will rely on the accuracy or completeness of any express or implied representation or warranty with respect to any Seller, the Acquired Assets, or the Assumed Liabilities or with respect to any information, statements, disclosures, documents, projections, forecasts or other material of any nature made available or provided by any Person (including in any presentations or other materials prepared by Seller Broker) (the "Information Presentation") or in that certain "Project Prime" data room administered by Datasite (the "Dataroom") or elsewhere to Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or Advisors on behalf of Sellers or any of their Affiliates or Advisors. Without limiting the foregoing, no Seller nor any of its Advisors or any other Person will have or be subject to any Liability whatsoever to Purchaser, or any other Person, resulting from the distribution to Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or Advisors, or Purchaser's or any of its Affiliates' or Advisors' use of or reliance on, any such information, including the Information Presentation, any information, statements, disclosures, documents, projections, forecasts or other material made available to Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or Advisors in the Dataroom or otherwise in expectation of the Transactions or any discussions with respect to any of the foregoing information.
- 3.9 <u>No Taxable Canadian Property</u>. None of the Acquired Assets of any Seller, other than a Seller that either (a) is not a non-resident of Canada within the meaning of section 116 of the Income Tax Act (Canada) or (b) is a "Canadian partnership" within the meaning of the Income Tax Act (Canada), are "taxable Canadian property" of that Seller for purposes of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), or "taxable Quebec property" of that Seller for purposes of the *Taxation Act* (Quebec).

ARTICLE IV REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES OF PURCHASER

Purchaser represents and warrants to Sellers as of the date hereof as follows.

4.1 Organization and Qualification. Purchaser is an entity duly created, formed or organized (as applicable), validly existing and in good standing under the Laws of the jurisdiction of its creation, formation or organization (as applicable) and has all requisite corporate or limited liability company power and authority necessary to conduct its business as it is now being conducted, except (other than with respect to Purchaser's due formation and valid existence) as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on Purchaser's ability to consummate the Transactions. Purchaser is duly licensed or qualified to do business and is in good standing (where such concept is recognized under applicable Law) under the Laws of each jurisdiction in which the nature of the business conducted by it or the character or location of the properties owned or used by it makes such licensing or qualification necessary, except where the failure to be so licensed, qualified or in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to have an adverse effect on Purchaser's ability to consummate the Transactions.

4.2 <u>Authorization of Agreement</u>. Purchaser has all necessary power and authority to execute and deliver this Agreement and to perform its obligations hereunder and to consummate the Transactions. The execution, delivery and performance by Purchaser of this Agreement, and the consummation by Purchaser of the Transactions, subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals being granted, have been duly authorized by all requisite corporate or similar organizational action and no other corporate or similar organizational proceedings on its part are necessary to authorize the execution, delivery and performance by Purchaser of this Agreement and the consummation by it of the Transactions. Subject to requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals being granted, this Agreement has been duly executed and delivered by Purchaser and, assuming due authorization, execution and delivery hereof by the other Parties, constitutes a legal, valid and binding obligation of Purchaser, enforceable against Purchaser in accordance with its terms, except that such enforceability may be limited by the Enforceability Exceptions.

4.3 Conflicts; Consents.

- Assuming that (i) the Sale Order, the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, and all other requisite Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approvals are obtained, (ii) the notices, authorizations, approvals, Orders, permits or consents set forth on Schedule 4.3(a) are made, given or obtained (as applicable), and (iii) the requirements of the HSR Act, Competition Act, and CTA are complied with, neither the execution and delivery by Purchaser of this Agreement, nor the consummation by Purchaser of the Transactions or the Financing, nor performance or compliance by Purchaser with any of the terms or provisions hereof, the Debt Commitment Letter, or any definitive documents with respect to the Financing, will (A) conflict with or violate any provision of Purchaser's Organizational Documents, (B) violate any Law or Order applicable to Purchaser, (C) violate or constitute a breach of or default (with or without notice or lapse of time, or both) under or give rise to a right of termination, modification, or cancelation of any obligation or to the loss of any benefit, any of the terms or provisions of any loan or credit agreement or other material Contract to which Purchaser is a party or accelerate Purchaser's obligations under any such Contract, or (D) result in the creation of any Encumbrance (other than a Permitted Encumbrance) on any properties or assets of Purchaser or any of its Subsidiaries, except, in the case of clauses (B) through (D), as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair, alter or delay the ability of Purchaser to consummate the Transactions.
- (b) Except as set forth on Schedule 4.3(a), Purchaser is not required to file, seek or obtain any notice, authorization, approval, Order, permit or consent of or with any Governmental Body in connection with the execution, delivery and performance by Purchaser of this Agreement or the consummation by Purchaser of the Transactions, except (i) any filings required to be made under the HSR Act, or (ii) where failure to obtain such consent, approval, authorization or action, or to make such filing or notification, would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to prevent or materially impair, alter or delay the ability of Purchaser to consummate the Transactions.
- 4.4 <u>Financing</u>. Subject to the other provisions of this <u>Section 4.4</u>, Purchaser has as of the SH Approval Date, and will have at the Closing, sufficient funds in an aggregate amount necessary to pay the Purchase Price in full and to consummate all of the other Transactions, including the payment of the Purchase Price in full and all fees, expenses of, and other amounts

required to be paid by, Purchaser in connection with the Transactions (the "Specified Uses") and does not know of any circumstance or condition that could reasonably be expected to prevent or substantially delay the availability of such funds or otherwise impair such capability at the Closing and such other dates that such obligations and transactions are required to be satisfied pursuant to the terms hereof. Purchaser affirms that it is not a condition to Closing or to any of its obligations under this Agreement that Purchaser obtains financing for the Transactions.

- (a) Subject to Section 4.4(d), Purchaser has received and accepted a debt commitment letter dated as of September 12, 2023 (the "<u>Debt Commitment Letter</u>") from Wells Fargo Bank, National Association, Bank of America, N.A., and Truist Bank (collectively, the "<u>Lenders</u>") relating to the commitment of the Lenders to provide debt financing in the aggregate amount set forth therein subject solely to the conditions set forth therein (the "<u>Financing</u>"). A complete and correct copy of the Debt Commitment Letter (including (i) all exhibits, schedules, annexes and amendments to such debt commitment letter, (ii) any associated fee letter in redacted form (none of which redactions (which redactions relate only to fee amounts, fee percentages and certain economic terms of the market flex) would affect the amount, conditionality, enforceability or availability of the Financing) and (iii) any other side letter or agreement executed in connection thereto) has been provided to Yellow on the date hereof, and there have been no amendments or modifications to the Debt Commitment Letter (unless otherwise agreed to by Yellow).
- (b) The Debt Commitment Letter contains all of the conditions precedent to the obligations of the parties thereunder to make the Financing available to Purchaser on the terms therein. There are, and as of the SH Approval Date there shall be, no side letters or other agreements, Contracts or arrangements related to the funding or investing, as applicable, of any of the Financing, other than as expressly set forth in the Debt Commitment Letter that have been provided to Yellow prior to the date hereof, and there are, and as of the SH Approval Date there shall be, no contingencies that would permit the Lenders to reduce the total amount of the Financing. Purchaser has taken all actions required to cause the Debt Commitment Letter to be effective.
- (c) The Financing, when funded in accordance with the Debt Commitment Letter (including after giving effect to all flex terms in the related fee letter), shall, together with Purchaser's cash on hand, provide Purchaser with acquisition financing at the Closing sufficient for the payment of the Closing Date Payment, the satisfaction of all of Purchaser's obligations under this Agreement and the Transaction Agreements and the payment of all costs and fees to be borne by Purchaser and its Affiliates.
- (d) Upon entry by the Bankruptcy Court of an Order (which may be the Bidding Procedures Order) (i) approving Purchaser as the Stalking Horse Bidder in accordance with the Bidding Procedures Order and (ii) approving the Breakup Fee and Expense Reimbursement as set forth herein (or with such changes as may be reasonably acceptable to Purchaser) (the "SH Approval Date"), Purchaser shall, and shall procure that the Lenders, duly execute and deliver the Debt Commitment Letter, in the form provided to Sellers on the date hereof (without further revisions unless acceptable to Sellers), and upon such execution on such date the Debt Commitment Letter shall legal, valid, binding and in full force and effect. As of the date hereof and as of the SH Approval Date, and assuming the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 7.1 and Section 7.2, no event, fact or circumstance has occurred that, with or without

notice, lapse of time, or both, would reasonably be expected to constitute a default or breach or a failure to satisfy a condition precedent on the part of Purchaser under the terms and conditions of the Debt Commitment Letter. As of the SH Approval Date, Purchaser shall have paid in full any and all commitment fees or other fees required to be paid pursuant to the terms of the Debt Commitment Letter on or before the SH Approval Date. Purchaser has no reason to believe that it will be unable to satisfy on a timely basis any term or condition of closing to be satisfied by it contained in the Debt Commitment Letter or that the Financing will not be made available to Purchaser on or prior to the Closing.

- (e) Notwithstanding this <u>Section 4.4</u> or any other provision of this Agreement, Purchaser affirms that it is not a condition to the Closing or to any of its other obligations under this Agreement (including consummating the Transactions) that Purchaser obtain financing for or related to Transactions (including receipt of all or any portion of the proceeds of the Financing).
- 4.5 <u>Brokers</u>. There is no investment banker, broker, finder, or other intermediary which has been retained by or is authorized to act on behalf of Purchaser that might be entitled to any fee or commission in connection with the Transactions.
- 4.6 <u>No Litigation</u>. There are no Actions pending or, to Purchaser's knowledge, threatened against or affecting Purchaser that will or would be reasonably likely to adversely affect Purchaser's performance of its obligations under this Agreement or the consummation of the Transactions.
- 4.7 <u>Certain Arrangements</u>. As of the date hereof, there are no Contracts, undertakings, commitments or obligations, whether written or oral, between any member of the Purchaser Group, on the one hand, and any member of the management of Seller or its board of directors (or applicable governing body of any Affiliate of Seller), any holder of equity or debt securities of Seller, or any lender or creditor of Seller or any Affiliate of Seller, on the other hand, (a) relating in any way to the acquisition of the Acquired Assets or the Transactions or (b) that would be reasonably likely to prevent, restrict, impede or affect adversely the ability of Seller or any of its Affiliates to entertain, negotiate or participate in any such transactions.
- 4.8 <u>Solvency</u>. Purchaser is, and immediately after giving effect to the Transactions shall be, solvent and at all times shall: (a) be able to pay its debts as they become due; (b) own property that has a fair saleable value greater than the amounts required to pay its debt (including a reasonable estimate of the amount of all contingent Liabilities) and (c) have adequate capital to carry on its business. No transfer of property is being made and no obligation is being incurred in connection with the Transactions with the intent to hinder, delay or defraud either present or future creditors of Purchaser. In connection with the Transactions, Purchaser has not incurred, nor plans to incur, debts beyond its ability to pay as they become absolute and matured.
- 4.9 <u>No Foreign Person</u>. As of Closing, Purchaser will not be a "foreign person," as defined in Section 721 of the U.S. Defense Production Act of 1950, including any implementing regulations thereof.

ARTICLE V BANKRUPTCY COURT MATTERS

5.1 Bankruptcy Actions.

- (a) As promptly as practicable after the date hereof, Yellow shall file with the Bankruptcy Court a motion seeking approval of (i) the Bidding Procedures Order and (ii) the form of this Agreement and Sellers' authority to enter into this Agreement.
- (b) Promptly, and in any event within five (5) Business Days, following entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Bidding Procedures Order, the Foreign Representative shall file with the Canadian Court a motion seeking approval of the Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order.
- (c) The bidding procedures to be employed with respect to this Agreement shall be those reflected in the Bidding Procedures Order. Purchaser agrees and acknowledges that Sellers, including through its representatives, are and may continue soliciting inquiries, proposals or offers from third parties in connection with any Alternative Transaction pursuant to the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order and the Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order. In the event of a conflict between the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order or the Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order and this Agreement, then the Bidding Procedures Order or Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order, as applicable, shall control.
- Sellers to assist in obtaining the Bankruptcy Court's entry of the Sale Order, the Canadian Court's entry of the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, and any other Order reasonably necessary in connection with the Transactions, including furnishing affidavits, reasonable and customary financial information demonstrating wherewithal to perform under this Agreement and any other Assigned Contracts, or other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court, and making employees and Advisors of Purchaser and its Affiliates available to testify before the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court for the purposes of, among other things, providing necessary assurances of performance by Purchaser under this Agreement, and demonstrating that Purchaser is a "good faith" purchaser under section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code, as well as demonstrating Purchaser's ability to pay and perform or otherwise satisfy any Assumed Liabilities following the Closing.
- (e) Each Party shall (i) appear formally or informally in the Bankruptcy Court and the Canadian Court if reasonably requested by the other Party or required by the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court in connection with the Transactions and (ii) keep the other reasonably apprised of the status of material matters related to the Agreement, including, upon reasonable request, promptly furnishing the other with copies of notices or other communications received by a Seller from the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court with respect to the Transactions.
- (f) If an Auction is conducted, and Purchaser is not the prevailing party at the conclusion of such Auction (such prevailing party, the "Successful Bidder") but is the next highest bidder at the Auction, Purchaser shall be required to serve as a back-up bidder (the "Backup Bidder") and keep Purchaser's bid to consummate the Transactions on the terms and

conditions set forth in this Agreement (as the same may be revised in the Auction) open and irrevocable until the later of (i) February 6, 2024; provided, however, that such date may be extended upon the mutual agreement of Purchaser and Yellow one time for an additional thirty (30) calendar days and, if so extended, Sellers shall pay to Purchaser an extension fee in the amount of \$2,000,000, which may be applied as a credit towards the Purchase Price if Purchaser is the Successful Bidder, and (ii) such other date as this Agreement is otherwise terminated. If the Successful Bidder fails to consummate the applicable Alternative Transaction as a result of a breach or failure to perform on the part of such Successful Bidder, the Backup Bidder will be deemed to have the new prevailing bid, and Sellers may consummate the Transactions on the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreement (as the same may have been improved upon in the Auction).

- (g) Within three (3) Business Days following completion of the Auction, Sellers shall file with the Bankruptcy Court a motion seeking approval of the Sale Order. Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to schedule a hearing with the Bankruptcy Court to consider entry of the Sale Order. From the date hereof until the earlier of (i) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with <u>Article VIII</u> and (ii) the Closing Date, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Sale Order.
- (h) Promptly, and in any event within five (5) Business Days, following the entry by the Bankruptcy Court of the Sale Order, the Foreign Representative shall file with the Canadian Court a motion seeking approval of the Canadian Sale Recognition Order. The Foreign Representative shall use commercially reasonable efforts to schedule a hearing before the Canadian Court to consider entry of the Canadian Sale Recognition Order. From the date hereof until the earlier of (i) the termination of this Agreement in accordance with Article VIII and (ii) the Closing Date, Sellers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain entry by the Canadian Court of the Canadian Sale Recognition Order.
- (i) Sellers and Purchaser acknowledge that this Agreement and the sale of the Acquired Assets are subject to higher and better bids and Bankruptcy Court and Canadian Court approval. Purchaser acknowledges that Sellers must take reasonable steps to demonstrate that they have sought to obtain the highest or otherwise best price for the Acquired Assets, including giving notice thereof to the creditors of Sellers and other interested parties, providing information about Sellers to prospective bidders, entertaining higher and better offers from such prospective bidders, and, in the event that additional qualified prospective bidders desire to bid for the Acquired Assets, conducting an Auction.
- (j) Purchaser shall provide adequate assurance of future performance as required under section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code (and as may be required under the CCAA) for the Assigned Contracts. Purchaser agrees that it will take all actions reasonably required to assist in obtaining a Bankruptcy Court finding that there has been a sufficient demonstration of adequate assurance of future performance under the Assigned Contracts, such as furnishing affidavits, nonconfidential financial information and other documents or information for filing with the Bankruptcy Court and the Canadian Court and making Purchaser's Advisors available to testify before the Bankruptcy Court and the Canadian Court.

- (k) Nothing in this <u>Section 5.1</u> shall prevent Sellers from modifying the bidding procedures as necessary or appropriate to maximize value for Sellers' estate in accordance with Sellers' fiduciary obligations.
- 5.2 <u>Cure Costs.</u> Subject to entry of the Sale Order and the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, Purchaser shall, on or prior to the Closing (or, in the case of any Contract that is to be assigned following the Closing pursuant to <u>Section 1.5</u>, on or prior to the date of such assignment), pay the Cure Costs and cure any and all other defaults and breaches under the Assigned Contracts so that such Contracts may be assumed by the applicable Seller and assigned to Purchaser in accordance with the provisions of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code, the CCAA, and this Agreement.
- 5.3 Approval. Sellers' obligations under this Agreement and in connection with the Transactions are subject to entry of and, to the extent entered, the terms of any Orders of the Bankruptcy Court (including entry of the Sale Order) and the Canadian Court (including entry of the Canadian Sale Recognition Order). Nothing in this Agreement shall require Sellers or their respective Affiliates to give testimony to or submit a motion to the Bankruptcy Court or to the Canadian Court that is untruthful or to violate any duty of candor or other fiduciary duty to the Bankruptcy Court, the Canadian Court, or their stakeholders.
- 5.4 <u>Canadian Sale Recognition Order</u>. The Canadian Sale Recognition Order shall, with respect to Acquired Assets of the Canadian Seller, among other things, (a) recognize and give full force and effect to the Sale Order in all provinces and territories in Canada, pursuant to section 49 of the CCAA, (b) approve the sale of the Acquired Assets of the Canadian Seller contemplated hereunder, (c) vest the Acquired Assets of the Canadian Seller in the Purchaser, free and clear of all Encumbrances other than the Permitted Encumbrances, (d) assign all of the applicable Assigned Contracts of the Canadian Seller, and (e) provide that upon payment of the Cure Costs in respect of the applicable Assigned Contracts of the Canadian Seller, all past defaults under the applicable Assigned Contracts shall be deemed to be cured and each such Assigned Contract shall be in good standing and effective, according to its terms.

ARTICLE VI COVENANTS AND AGREEMENTS

6.1 <u>Conduct of the Sellers</u>. From the date of this Agreement until the Closing Date or the earlier termination of this Agreement in accordance with <u>Article VIII</u>, Sellers shall not sell, transfer, lease, mortgage, pledge, grant any Encumbrance (other than Permitted Encumbrances and Encumbrances to be removed by operation of the Sale Order) on or otherwise encumber or dispose of any of the Acquired Assets, or otherwise commit or agree to take any of the foregoing actions. For the avoidance of doubt, nothing contained in this Agreement shall be construed to give to Purchaser, directly or indirectly, rights to control or direct the operations of Sellers prior to the Closing.

6.2 Access to Information.

(a) From the date hereof until the Closing, Sellers will provide Purchaser and its authorized Advisors with reasonable access and upon reasonable advance notice and during

regular business hours (so long as consistent with applicable Law and in accordance with the reasonable procedures established by Sellers) to the facilities, books and records (excluding any personnel files) of Sellers, in order for Purchaser and its authorized Advisors to access such information regarding the Acquired Assets and Assumed Liabilities (which shall include the Acquired Real Property, for certainty) as is reasonably necessary in order to consummate the Transactions; provided that (i) such access does not unreasonably interfere with the normal operations of Sellers or any of their Subsidiaries, (ii) such access will occur in such a manner as Sellers reasonably determines to be appropriate to protect the confidentiality of the Transactions and such books and records, (iii) all requests for access will be directed Seller Broker or such other Person(s) as Sellers may designate in writing from time to time, (iv) nothing herein will require Sellers or any of their Subsidiaries to provide access to, or to disclose any information to, Purchaser or any other Person if such access or disclosure (A) would reasonably cause competitive harm to Sellers or any of their Subsidiaries if the Transactions are not consummated, (B) would waive any legal privilege or (C) would be in violation of applicable Laws (including the HSR Act and Antitrust Laws) or the provisions of any Contract to which Sellers is bound or would violate any fiduciary duty and (v) nothing herein will permit Purchaser or its authorized Advisors to conduct any sampling or testing of environmental media or any other invasive investigation or assessment at any property or facility (including the Acquired Real Property) of Sellers, including of the type commonly known as a Phase II environmental site assessment.

- (b) The information provided pursuant to this <u>Section 6.2</u> will be used solely for the purpose of consummating the Transactions, and will be governed by all the terms and conditions of the Confidentiality Agreement, which Confidentiality Agreement shall survive the execution of this Agreement through the first to occur of the Closing and two years following the date hereof notwithstanding anything to the contrary therein. Purchaser will, and will cause its Advisors to, abide by the terms of the Confidentiality Agreement with respect to such access and any information furnished to Purchaser or any of its Advisors. Sellers make no representation or warranty as to the accuracy of any information, if any, provided pursuant to this <u>Section 6.2</u>, and none of Purchaser or its Advisors may rely on the accuracy of any such information.
- From and after the Closing for a period of three years following the Closing Date (or, if later, the closing of the Bankruptcy Cases), Purchaser will provide Sellers and their Advisors with reasonable access, during normal business hours, and upon reasonable advance notice, to the books and records, including work papers, schedules, memoranda, Tax Returns, Tax schedules, Tax rulings, and other documents (for the purpose of examining and copying) of the Sellers or otherwise solely and exclusively pertaining to the Sellers that are included in and relate to the Acquired Assets, the Excluded Assets (if applicable), the Assumed Liabilities or the Excluded Liabilities (if applicable) with respect to periods or occurrences prior to the Closing Date, and reasonable access, during normal business hours, and upon reasonable advance notice, to employees, officers, Advisors, accountants, offices and properties of Purchaser (including for the purpose of better understanding such books and records). Unless otherwise consented to in writing by Sellers, Purchaser will not, for a period of three years following the Closing Date, destroy, alter or otherwise dispose of any such books and records of the Sellers without first offering to surrender such books and records of the Sellers to Sellers or any portion thereof that Purchaser may intend to destroy, alter or dispose of. Purchaser shall provide Sellers with fourteen (14) days prior written notice before disposing of or otherwise destroying any of Sellers books and records and Sellers shall have fourteen (14) days after the date set forth on Purchasers

notice to remove, collect or otherwise cause to be preserved any such books and records of Sellers. From and after the Closing, Purchaser will, and will cause its employees to, provide Sellers with reasonable assistance, support and cooperation with Sellers' wind-down and related activities (*e.g.*, helping to locate such documents or information).

(d) Purchaser will not, and will not permit any member of the Purchaser Group to, contact any officer, manager, director, employee, customer, supplier, lessee, lessor, lender, licensee, licensor, distributor, noteholder or other material business relation of any Seller or any of its Affiliates prior to the Closing with respect to any Seller, any of its Subsidiaries, any of their respective businesses or the Transactions, in each case, without the prior written consent of Sellers for each such contact, other than in the ordinary course of Purchaser's business unrelated to the Transactions and without referring to the Transactions and without disclosing any information in breach of the Confidentiality Agreement, but subject in all cases to Section 10.4(c).

6.3 Regulatory Approvals.

- (i) make or cause to be made all filings and submissions required to be made by Seller under any applicable Laws for the consummation of the Transactions, if any, (ii) cooperate with Purchaser in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as Purchaser may reasonably request in connection with any filings required to be made by the Purchaser Group pursuant to Section 6.3(b), and (iii)(A) supply promptly any additional information and documentary material that may be requested in connection with the filings made pursuant to this Section 6.3(a) or Section 6.3(b) and (B) use reasonable best efforts to take all actions necessary to obtain all required clearances in connection with such filings.
- (b) Subject to Section 6.4, Purchaser will, and will cause its Affiliates and Advisors to, (i) make or cause to be made all filings and submissions required to be made by any member of the Purchaser Group under any applicable Laws for the consummation of the Transactions, if any, (ii) cooperate with any Seller in exchanging such information and providing such assistance as any Seller may reasonably request in connection with any filings made by any Seller pursuant to Section 6.3(a), and (iii) (A) supply promptly any additional information and documentary material that may be requested in connection with the filings made pursuant to this Section 6.3(b) or Section 6.3(a) and (B) use reasonable best efforts to take all actions necessary to obtain all required clearances.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, Purchaser shall, at Purchaser's sole cost and expense, prepare, submit and diligently prosecute applications, filings, submissions and other documents for the transfer, assignment or reissuance to Purchaser of any Permits required under Law (including Environmental Law), and Sellers shall reasonably cooperate with Purchaser obtain the relevant issuing agency's approval of the transfer, assignment, or revocation and reissuance of such Permits.
- (d) This <u>Section 6.3</u> shall not apply to efforts related to Antitrust Laws, which shall be governed by the obligations set forth in Section 6.4 below.

6.4 Antitrust Notification.

- To the extent required, each Seller and Purchaser (and their respective Affiliates, if applicable) will, (i) as promptly as practicable and no later than twenty-one (21) days following the date of this Agreement, file with the United States Federal Trade Commission (the "FTC") and the United States Department of Justice (the "DOJ"), a Notification and Report Form relating to this Agreement the Transactions pursuant to the HSR Act, and (ii) as promptly as practicable and no later than thirty (30) days following the date of this Agreement, file all notifications, filings, registrations, forms and submissions, including any draft notifications in jurisdictions requiring pre-notification, as are required by the Antitrust Laws set forth on Schedule 7.1(a). With respect to Competition Act Approval, as promptly as practicable and no later than twenty-one (21) days following the date of this Agreement, unless Purchaser and Seller mutually agree that Competition Act Approval is not required, (i) Purchaser shall file with the Commissioner of Competition a submission in support of a request for an ARC or a No Action Letter in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and (ii) unless Purchaser and Seller mutually agree that such filings should be made on a different date or should not be made, Purchaser and Seller shall each file or cause to be filed notifications pursuant to paragraph 114(1) of the Competition Act. With respect to CTA Approval, unless Purchaser and Seller mutually agree that CTA Approval is not required, Purchaser will give notice to the Minister of Transport pursuant to Section 53.1 of the CTA.
- Each Seller and Purchaser shall (and shall cause their respective Affiliates (b) to) (A) cooperate and coordinate (and shall cause its respective Affiliates to cooperate and coordinate) with the other in the making of such filings; (B) supply the other (or cause the other to be supplied) with any information that may be required in order to make such filings; (C) make (or cause to be made) an appropriate response to any additional information that may be required or requested by the FTC, the DOJ or the Governmental Bodies of any other applicable jurisdiction; and (D) take (and cause their Affiliates to take) all action necessary, proper or advisable to (1) cause the expiration or termination of the applicable waiting periods pursuant to the HSR Act and any other Antitrust Laws applicable to this Agreement or the Transactions; and (2) obtain Competition Act Approval and CTA Approval, if required, and obtain any required Consents pursuant to the HSR Act and any other Antitrust Laws applicable to this Agreement or the Transactions, in each case as promptly as reasonably practicable and in any event prior to the Outside Date. If any Party or Affiliate thereof receives any comments or a request for additional information or documentary material from any Governmental Body with respect to the Transactions pursuant to the HSR Act or any other applicable Antitrust Law, then such Party shall make (or cause to be made), as promptly as practicable and after consultation with the other Party, an appropriate response to such request; provided that neither Party may stay, toll or extend any applicable waiting period under the HSR Act, the Competition Act, or the CTA, pull and refile under the HSR Act, the Competition Act, or the CTA, or enter into any timing agreement or other understanding with any Governmental Body with respect to the HSR Act, the Competition Act, or the CTA, or any other Antitrust Law applicable to the Transactions without the prior written consent of the other Party, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, conditioned, or delayed. Purchaser will be solely responsible for payment of all filing fees payable in connection with such filings.

- Subject to the immediately following sentence, each Seller and Purchaser will use their reasonable best efforts to as promptly as practicable (and in any event prior to the Outside Date) obtain any clearances, Consents, approvals, waivers, actions, waiting period expirations or terminations, non-actions or other authorizations required under the HSR Act or any other Antitrust Law for the consummation of this Agreement and the Transactions. In furtherance and not in limitation of the other covenants in this Section 6.4, and notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, Purchaser will take, and will cause its Affiliates to take, any and all steps necessary to avoid or eliminate each and every impediment under any Antitrust Law that may be asserted by any Governmental Body or any other Person as may be required in order to obtain satisfaction of the closing conditions set forth in Section 7.1(a) prior to the Outside Date and allow the consummation of this Agreement and the Transactions as soon as practicable and, in any event, prior to the Outside Date, including offering, negotiating, committing to and effecting, by Consent decree, hold separate order or otherwise, (i) the sale, divestiture, transfer, license, disposition, or hold separate (through the establishment of a trust or otherwise), of any and all of the capital stock or other equity or voting interest, assets (whether tangible or intangible), rights, properties, products or businesses of Purchaser, its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, or the Seller and its Subsidiaries; (ii) the termination, modification, or assignment of existing relationships, joint ventures, Contracts, or obligations of Purchaser, its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, or the Seller and its Subsidiaries; (iii) the modification of any course of conduct regarding future operations of Purchaser, its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, or the Seller and its Subsidiaries; and (iv) any other restrictions on the activities of Purchaser, its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, or the Seller and its Subsidiaries, including the freedom of action of Purchaser, its Subsidiaries or Affiliates, or the Seller and its Subsidiaries with respect to, or their ability to retain, any of their respective operations, divisions, businesses, product lines, customers, assets or rights or interests, or their freedom of action with respect to the assets, properties, or businesses to be acquired pursuant to this Agreement. Purchaser shall oppose any request for, the entry of, and seek to have vacated or terminated, any Order, judgment, decree, injunction or ruling of any Governmental Body that could restrain, prevent or delay any required Consents applicable to the Transactions, including by defending through litigation, any Action asserted by any Person in any court or before any Governmental Body and by exhausting all avenues of appeal, including appealing properly any adverse decision or Order by any Governmental Body, it being understood that the costs and expenses of all such actions shall be borne by Purchaser. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing in this Agreement shall require the Seller or any of its Subsidiaries or Affiliates to take or agree to take any action that is unrelated to Transactions or is not conditioned on the Closing as may be required in order to obtain satisfaction of the closing conditions set forth in Section 7.1(a) prior to the Outside Date, in each case, so as to allow the consummation of this Agreement and the Transactions as soon as practicable and, in any event, prior to the Outside Date.
- (d) None of Sellers or Purchaser will participate in any meeting or discussion with any Governmental Body with respect of any filings, applications, investigation or other inquiry relating to the Transactions without giving the other Party reasonable prior notice of the meeting or discussion and, to the extent permitted by the relevant Governmental Body, the opportunity to attend and participate in such meeting or discussion, unless prohibited by such Governmental Body. Sellers will have the right to review and approve the content of any draft notifications, formal notifications, filing, submission or other written communication (and any analyses, memoranda, presentations, white papers, correspondence or other written materials submitted therewith) to be submitted to any Governmental Body in advance of any such

submission. Each Party acknowledges that, with respect to any non-public information provided by a Party to the other under this <u>Section 6.4</u>, each Party may (1) designate such material as restricted to "outside counsel only" and any such material shall not be shared with employees, officers or directors or their equivalents of the receiving Party without approval of the disclosing Party and (2) redact such materials as necessary to satisfy contractual confidentiality obligations, preserve attorney-client privilege or protect material relating to the valuation of the Acquired Assets.

(e) Purchaser will not, and will not permit any member of the Purchaser Group or their respective Affiliates to, directly or indirectly take any action or agree to take any action (including but limited to acquiring or agreeing to acquire any assets or businesses) that would be reasonably likely to materially delay or prevent the receipt of any required clearances, Consents, approvals, waivers, actions, waiting period expirations or terminations, non-actions or other authorizations under the HSR Act or other Antitrust Law or increase the risk of any Governmental Body entering an Order preventing, delaying or prohibiting the consummation of the Transactions or delay the consummation of the Transactions.

6.5 Reasonable Efforts; Cooperation.

- Subject to the other terms of this Agreement, each Party shall, and shall cause its Subsidiaries to, use its and their respective reasonable best efforts to perform its and their respective obligations hereunder and to take, or cause to be taken, and do, or cause to be done, all things necessary, proper or advisable to cause the Transactions to be effected as soon as practicable, but in any event on or prior to the Outside Date, in accordance with the terms hereof and to cooperate with each other Party, its Affiliates and its and their respective Advisors in connection with any step required to be taken as a part of its obligations hereunder. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else herein to the contrary, the "reasonable best efforts" of Sellers will not require Sellers or any of its Affiliates or other Seller Parties to expend any money to remedy any breach of any representation or warranty, to commence any Action, to waive or surrender any right, to modify any Contract or to waive or forego any right, remedy or condition hereunder. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that the foregoing cannot be construed to create any obligation on any of the aforementioned Advisors to take or refrain from taking any action, absent an express contractual requirement to do so, nor can any of the foregoing be construed to override existing confidentiality and other obligations owed by any Party or other Person to such Advisors.
- (b) The obligations of Sellers pursuant to this Agreement, including this Section 6.5, shall be subject to any Orders entered, or approvals or authorizations granted or required, by or under (i) the Bankruptcy Court or the Bankruptcy Code (including in connection with the Bankruptcy Cases) and (ii) the Canadian Court or the CCAA (including in connection with the Canadian Recognition Proceedings), Sellers' debtor-in-possession financing, and Sellers' obligations as debtors in possession to comply with any Order of the Bankruptcy Court (including the Bidding Procedures Order and the Sale Order), any Order of the Canadian Court (including the Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order and the Canadian Sale Recognition Order), and Sellers' duty to seek and obtain the highest or otherwise best price for the Acquired Assets as required by the Bankruptcy Code.

6.6 <u>Financing</u>.

- Purchaser shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain the Financing on the terms and conditions (including the flex provisions) described in the Debt Commitment Letter as promptly as practicable and shall not permit any amendment or modification to be made to, or any waiver of any provision under, the Debt Commitment Letter, if such amendment, modification or waiver (i) reduces (or could have the effect of reducing) the aggregate amount of the Financing (including by increasing the amount of fees to be paid or original issue discount, unless the portion of the Specified Uses to be funded using cash on hand is increased by a corresponding amount) or (ii) imposes new or additional conditions or otherwise expands, amends or modifies any of the conditions to the Financing, or otherwise expands, amends or modifies any other provision of the Debt Commitment Letter, in a manner that would reasonably be expected to (A) delay or prevent or make less likely the funding of the Financing (or satisfaction of the conditions to the Financing) on the Closing Date or (B) adversely impact the ability of Purchaser to enforce their rights against other parties to the Debt Commitment Letter or the definitive agreements with respect thereto. Purchaser shall promptly deliver to Yellow copies of any such amendment, modification or replacement. For purposes of this Section 6.6(a), references to "Financing" shall include the financing contemplated by the Debt Commitment Letter as permitted to be amended, modified or replaced by Section 6.6(d), and references to "Debt Commitment Letter" shall include such documents as permitted to be amended, modified or replaced by this Section 6.6(d).
- (b) Purchaser shall use its reasonable best efforts (i) to comply with and maintain in effect the Debt Commitment Letter, (ii) to negotiate and enter into definitive agreements with respect to the Debt Commitment Letter on the terms and conditions (including the flex provisions) contained in the Debt Commitment Letter (or on terms no less favorable to Purchaser than the terms and conditions (including flex provisions) contained in the Debt Commitment Letter), (iii) to satisfy on a timely basis all conditions to funding in the Debt Commitment Letter and such definitive agreements with respect thereto and consummate the Financing upon the satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 7.1 and Section 7.2, and (iv) to enforce its rights under the Debt Commitment Letter.
- Purchaser shall keep Yellow informed on a current basis and in reasonable detail of the status of its efforts to arrange the Financing and provide promptly to Yellow copies of the material definitive agreements for the Financing. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Purchaser shall give Yellow prompt notice (i) of any breach or default (or any event that, with or without notice, lapse of time or both, would reasonably be expected to give rise to any default or breach) by any party to the Debt Commitment Letter or definitive agreements related to the Financing of which Purchaser or any of its affiliates become aware, or (ii) of the receipt of written notice from any Lender with respect to any (A) actual or potential breach, default, termination or repudiation by any party to the Debt Commitment Letter or definitive agreements related to the Financing or any provisions of the Debt Commitment Letter or definitive agreements related to the Financing or (B) material dispute or disagreement between or among any parties to the Debt Commitment Letter or definitive agreements related to the Financing, in the case of each of the foregoing clauses (i) and (ii) to the extent that such breach, default, or disagreement would reasonably be expected to result in the Purchaser being unable to obtain all or any material portion of the Financing. As soon as reasonably practicable, but in any event within two Business Days of the date Sellers deliver to Purchaser a written request, Purchaser shall provide any information

reasonably requested by Sellers relating to any circumstance referred to in clauses (i) or (ii) of the immediately preceding sentence.

- (d) Upon the occurrence of any circumstance referred to in clauses (i) or (ii) of Section 6.6(c), or if any portion of the Financing otherwise becomes unavailable or Purchaser becomes aware of any event or circumstance that would reasonably be expected to make any portion of the Financing becoming unavailable, Purchaser shall use its reasonable best efforts to arrange and obtain in replacement thereof alternative financing from alternative sources in an amount sufficient to consummate the Transactions with terms and conditions not materially less favorable to Purchaser or its Affiliates (taking into account the flex provisions as set forth in the Debt Commitment Letter) than the terms and conditions set forth in the Debt Commitment Letter, as applicable, as promptly as reasonably practicable following the occurrence of such event. Purchaser shall deliver to Sellers true and complete copies of any commitment letter or other Contract pursuant to which any such alternative source shall have committed to provide any portion of the Financing and such commitment letter or other Contract shall be a "Debt Commitment Letter" for all purposes hereunder. Purchaser acknowledges and agrees that the obtaining of the Financing, or any alternative financing, is not a condition to Closing.
- From and after the SH Approval Date and prior to the Closing, Sellers and their subsidiaries shall use their respective commercially reasonable best efforts to provide or cause to be provided, and to cause their respective Advisors to provide or cause to be provided, to Purchaser, in each case, at Purchaser's sole expense, all customary cooperation and all customary financial information reasonably requested by Purchaser in connection with the Financing (in each case, provided that such requested cooperation does not unreasonably interfere with the ongoing operations of Sellers). All non-public information regarding Sellers provided to Purchaser, its affiliates, its potential lenders and investors or its Advisors pursuant to this Section 6.6(e) shall be kept confidential by them in accordance with the Confidentiality Agreement or confidentiality provisions comparable to those set forth in the Confidentiality Agreement. None of Sellers shall be required to disclose any information that is subject to attorney-client or similar privilege. None of Sellers shall be required to take any action pursuant to this Section 6.6(e) that would subject it to actual or potential liability for which it would not be indemnified hereunder or to bear any cost or expense or to pay any commitment or other fee or provide or agree to provide any indemnity in connection with the Financing or any of the foregoing prior to the Closing. Purchaser shall indemnify and hold harmless the Seller Parties from and against any and all liabilities, losses, damages, claims, costs, expenses, interest, awards, judgments and penalties suffered or incurred by them in connection with this Section 6.6(e) and any information utilized in connection therewith. Purchaser shall, promptly upon request by Yellow, reimburse Sellers for all reasonable out-of-pocket costs incurred by them in connection with this Section 6.6(e).
- 6.7 <u>De-Branding</u>. As soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event more than sixty (60) days after the Closing, Purchaser or Designated Purchaser, as applicable, shall take all actions necessary to remove or obscure any of Sellers' identifiable trademarks, tradenames, trade dress, branding, signage, or other usage of any Seller's trademarks, business names and logos located on or about the Acquired Real Property, including all uses of the name "Yellow" and Yellow's trademarks.

- Further Assurances. From time to time, as and when requested by any Party and at such requesting Party's expense, any other Party will execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, all such documents and instruments and will take, or cause to be taken, all such further or other actions as such requesting Party may reasonably deem necessary or desirable to evidence and effectuate the Transactions. In furtherance of the foregoing, in order to facilitate the timely registration of any Acquired Real Property in accordance with this Agreement and local land registry office requirements, the Parties shall agree upon the fair market value of each Acquired Real Property and each Party hereto will execute and deliver, or cause to be executed and delivered, at the requesting Party's expense, such reasonable and typical affidavits, conveyances and/or filings as the local land registry office may require and to which the requested Party has no reasonable objection. However, while each of the Parties will co-operate in connection with the foregoing, notwithstanding the foregoing co-operation, said co-operation and the resulting affidavits, conveyances and/or filings shall not in itself, in any manner: (x) increase or decrease the scope or any other aspect of any Party's representations or warranties and/or other obligations contained in this Agreement; and (y) result in a requested Party incurring any additional third party costs or expenses (other than its own legal fees which it shall continue to be solely responsible for bearing).
- 6.9 Insurance Matters. Purchaser acknowledges that, subject to the next sentence, upon Closing, all nontransferable insurance coverage provided in relation to any Seller and the Acquired Assets that is maintained by such Seller or its Affiliates (whether such policies are maintained with third party insurers or with Seller or its Affiliates) shall cease to provide any coverage to Purchaser and the Acquired Assets and no further coverage shall be available to Purchaser or the Acquired Assets under any such policies. From and after the Closing, Purchaser shall have the right to make claims and the right to any proceeds with respect to any matter solely to the extent related to the Acquired Assets or Assumed Liabilities under any insurance policies for occurrence-based claims inuring to the benefit of Sellers or any of their Affiliates for periods prior to the Closing, and Sellers shall use reasonable efforts to seek recovery or allow Purchaser to seek recovery under such insurance policies, and Seller shall cooperate with Purchaser's reasonable requests if it seeks recovery, with respect to such matters and shall remit (or, at Purchaser's request, direct any such insurer to pay directly to Purchaser) any insurance proceeds actually obtained therefrom (net of Sellers' reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses of seeking such recovery, to the extent not otherwise paid or reimbursed by Purchaser) to Purchaser or its designee.
- 6.10 <u>Guarantees</u>. Purchaser acknowledges that in the course of conduct of their business, Sellers and their Affiliates may have entered into various arrangements (a) in which guarantees, letters of credit, sureties, bonds or similar arrangements were issued by Sellers or their Affiliates and (b) in which Sellers or their Affiliates are the primary obligors on other Contracts, in any such case to support or facilitate such business. The arrangements entered into by Sellers or their Affiliates referred to in the foregoing <u>clauses (a)</u> and <u>(b)</u>, solely to the extent relating to any Acquired Assets or Assumed Liabilities set forth in <u>Schedule 6.10</u>, are referred to as the "<u>Seller Support Obligations</u>". It is understood that the Seller Support Obligations are not intended to continue after the Closing. Purchaser agrees that it shall use its reasonable best efforts to obtain replacements for the Seller Support Obligations (which shall include the full and unconditional release of Sellers and their Affiliates) that will be in effect at the Closing or, in the case of Seller Support Obligations described in the foregoing <u>clause (b)</u>, will use its commercially reasonable efforts to arrange for itself or one of its Subsidiaries to be substituted as the primary obligor thereon

as of the Closing through an assumption, accession, acknowledgement or similar agreement (which shall include the full and unconditional release of Sellers and their Affiliates) with the beneficiary of the applicable Seller Support Obligation. Whether or not Purchaser is able to satisfy the terms of the immediately preceding sentence, Purchaser shall indemnify Sellers and their Affiliates and each of their respective officers, directors, employees, agents and representatives from and against any and all Liabilities incurred by any of them relating to the Seller Support Obligations. Purchaser agrees that, with respect to any Seller Support Obligation, its reasonable best efforts pursuant to this Section 6.10 shall include, if requested, the execution and delivery by Purchaser, or by an Affiliate of Purchaser acceptable to the beneficiary of such Seller Support Obligation, of a replacement guarantee that is substantially in the form of such Seller Support Obligation. All costs and expenses incurred in connection with providing the release or substitution of the Seller Support Obligations shall be borne by Purchaser.

6.11 Receipt of Misdirected Assets; Liabilities.

- (a) From and after the Closing, if any Seller or any of its respective Affiliates receives any right, property or asset that is an Acquired Asset, the applicable Seller shall promptly transfer or cause such of its Affiliates to transfer such right, property or asset (and shall promptly endorse and deliver any such asset that is received in the form of cash, checks or other documents) to Purchaser, and such asset will be deemed the property of Purchaser held in trust by such Seller for Purchaser until so transferred. From and after the Closing, if Purchaser or any of its Affiliates receives any right, property or asset that is an Excluded Asset, Purchaser shall promptly transfer or cause such of its Affiliates to transfer such asset (and shall promptly endorse and deliver any such right, property or asset that is received in the form of cash, checks, or other documents) to the applicable Seller, and such asset will be deemed the property of such Seller held in trust by Purchaser for such Seller until so transferred.
- (b) From and after the Closing, if any Seller or any of its Affiliates is subject to a Liability that should belong to Purchaser or its Affiliates pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, such Seller shall promptly transfer or cause such of its Affiliates to transfer such Liability to Purchaser, and Purchaser shall assume and accept such Liability. From and after the Closing, if Purchaser or any of its Affiliates is subject to a Liability that should belong to a Seller or its Affiliates pursuant to the terms of this Agreement, Purchaser shall promptly transfer or cause such of its Affiliates to transfer such Liability to the applicable Seller or its Affiliates, and such Seller or its Affiliates shall assume and accept such Liability.
- 6.12 <u>Acknowledgment by Purchaser</u>. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained herein or elsewhere to the contrary:
- (a) Purchaser acknowledges and agrees, on its own behalf and on behalf of the Purchaser Group, that it has conducted to its full satisfaction an independent investigation and verification of the business (including its financial condition, results of operations, assets, Liabilities, properties, Contracts, zoning, environmental, health or safety conditions and compliance, employee matters, regulatory compliance, business risks and prospects) of Sellers, and the Acquired Assets and the Assumed Liabilities, and, in making its determination to proceed with the Transactions, Purchaser and the Purchaser Group have relied solely, are relying, and will rely, solely, on the Express Representations and the results of the Purchaser Group's own

independent investigation and verification and have not relied on, are not relying on, and will not rely on, any information, statements, disclosures, documents, projections, forecasts or other material made available to Purchaser or any of its Affiliates or Advisors in the Dataroom, any Information Presentation, or any other information, statements, disclosures or materials, in each case, whether written or oral, made or provided by or on behalf of any Seller or any other Seller Party, or any failure of any of the foregoing to disclose or contain any information, except for the Express Representations. Purchaser acknowledges and agrees, on its own behalf and on behalf of the Purchaser Group, that (i) the Express Representations are the sole and exclusive representations, warranties and statements of any kind made to Purchaser or any member of the Purchaser Group and on which Purchaser or any member of the Purchaser Group may rely in connection with the Transactions and (ii) all other representations, warranties and statements of any kind or nature expressed or implied, statutory, whether in written, electronic or oral form, including (A) the completeness or accuracy of, or any omission to state or to disclose, any information (other than solely to the extent expressly set forth in the Express Representations) including in the Dataroom, Information Presentation, meetings, calls or correspondence with management of any Seller, any of the Seller Parties or any other Person on behalf of any Seller or any of the Seller Parties or any of their respective Affiliates or Advisors and (B) any other statement relating to the historical, current or future business, financial condition, results of operations, assets, Liabilities, properties, Contracts, environmental, health or safety conditions and compliance, employee matters, regulatory compliance, business risks and prospects of the Sellers, or the quality, quantity or condition of any of the Acquired Assets, are, in each case, specifically disclaimed by each Seller, on its behalf and on behalf of the Seller Parties. Purchaser, on its own behalf and on behalf of the Purchaser Group: (1) disclaims reliance on the items in clause (ii) in the immediately preceding sentence; and (2) acknowledges and agrees that it has relied on, is relying on and will rely on only the items in clause (i) in the immediately preceding sentence.

- (b) Purchaser acknowledges and agrees, on its own behalf and on behalf of the members of Purchaser Group, that it will not assert, institute, or maintain, and will cause each member of the Purchaser Group not to assert, institute or maintain, any Action that makes any claim contrary to the agreements and covenants set forth in this Section 6.12. Purchaser acknowledges and agrees, on its own behalf and on behalf of the members of Purchaser Group, that the covenants and agreements contained in this Section 6.12 (i) require performance after the Closing to the maximum extent permitted by applicable Law and (ii) are an integral part of the Transactions and that, without these agreements set forth in this Section 6.12, Sellers would not enter into this Agreement.
- 6.13 Removal of Trucks, Trailers, Other Rolling Stock, and Other Assets. On or before the Closing Date, Sellers and Purchaser shall reasonably agree on Acquired Real Property locations to which the trucks, trailers and other rolling stock of Sellers (collectively, the "Rolling Stock") shall be consolidated to in order to permit a timely and organized disposition of such Rolling Stock. As a post-Closing covenant, and not as a Closing condition, all Rolling Stock shall have been removed from the Acquired Real Property within thirty (30) days after the Closing Date or such other period as the Parties may agree; provided that, if at the end of such period, there remains any Acquired Real Property that Sellers have not fully vacated in accordance with this Section 6.13, Sellers shall pay Purchaser a license fee per month thereafter (until so vacated) in the amount of a fair market rental rate per month equal to 0.7% of the Purchase Price of those properties occupied by Sellers (as determined by the Allocation pursuant to Section 9.2 of this

Agreement) plus all pro-rated real estate taxes with respect to such occupied properties, for up to two additional months. If Sellers have not vacated such properties in accordance with this Section 6.13 by the end of the second additional month, the fair market rental rate per month for each additional month shall be 0.8% of the Purchase Price of those properties occupied by Sellers (as determined by the Allocation pursuant to Section 9.2 of this Agreement) plus all pro-rated real estate taxes with respect to such occupied properties, for up to two additional months. If Sellers have not vacated such properties by the end of the fourth additional month, the fair market rental rate per month thereafter shall be 1.0% of the Purchase Price of those properties occupied by Sellers (as determined by the Allocation pursuant to Section 9.2 of this Agreement) plus all prorated real estate taxes with respect to such occupied properties. No additional extensions shall be considered unless both Parties agree to such extension in writing. Sellers shall be responsible for Purchaser's reasonable legal expenses and other costs incurred by Purchaser in order to cause the disposition and/or removal of any remaining Rolling Stock from any Acquired Real Property. During the foregoing time periods, Purchaser shall permit Sellers with reasonable access and upon reasonable advance notice and during regular business hours to the Acquired Real Property to (or to permit any third party to) remove the Rolling Stock and any other Excluded Assets located thereon. Should Sellers authorize any third party be sent to the Acquired Real Property to remove the Rolling Stock or any other Excluded Assets, prior to any third party entering the Acquired Real Property for any purpose, such party shall deliver to Purchaser evidence of the following insurance coverage: (i) workers' compensation insurance in accordance with applicable law, (ii) commercial general liability insurance with limits of at least Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) for bodily or personal injury or death, and (iii) property damage insurance in the amount of at least Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00). Sellers or any third party shall deliver to Purchaser evidence of all insurance coverages required to be maintained. Each insurance policy required to be maintained shall be written by a reputable insurance company having a rating of at least "A-VII" by Best's Rating Guide (or a comparable rating by a successor rating service) and name Purchaser as an additional insured thereunder. Purchaser shall have the right, in its discretion, to accompany any third party during any entry of the Acquired Real Property or any portion thereof.

- 6.14 Access. Sellers shall use reasonable best efforts to collect all access keys, cards or codes, lock combinations, security codes or other entry system codes or passwords pertaining to physical access to each parcel of the Acquired Real Property and improvements thereon and to deliver the foregoing to Purchaser at the Closing, and to the extent that any of the foregoing are not located or delivered as of the Closing, Sellers shall continue to use reasonable best efforts to locate the foregoing and cooperate in all respects with Purchaser in obtaining the same or substitutes therefor.
- 6.15 <u>Tax Elections</u>. At the request of Purchaser, Purchaser (or any applicable Designated Purchaser) and applicable Seller shall, to the extent applicable, jointly make an election under subsection 20(24) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada) and the corresponding provisions of any applicable Canadian provincial income tax statute, in respect of amounts for future obligations and shall timely file such election(s) with the appropriate Governmental Body. To the extent applicable for Canadian Tax purposes, such Seller and such Purchaser acknowledge that a portion of the Acquired Assets was transferred to such Purchaser as payment by such Seller to such Purchaser for the assumption by such Purchaser of any such future obligations of such Seller. Sellers and Purchaser (or any applicable Designated Purchaser) shall make and timely file such other elections

under the *Income Tax Act* (Canada), and any other applicable Canadian provincial Tax legislation with respect to such purchase and sale as are reasonably requested by Purchaser.

ARTICLE VII CONDITIONS TO CLOSING

- 7.1 <u>Conditions Precedent to the Obligations of Purchaser and Sellers</u>. The respective obligations of each Party to consummate the Closing are subject to the satisfaction (or to the extent permitted by Law, written waiver by Sellers and Purchaser) on or prior to the Closing Date, of each of the following conditions:
- (a) the expiration or termination of any required waiting period under the HSR Act or any other Antitrust Law set forth in <u>Schedule 7.1</u> applicable to the Transactions, Competition Act Approval and CTA Approval, if required, and the receipt of any required approval related to the Transactions under any other Antitrust Law set forth in <u>Schedule 7.1</u>;
- (b) no Governmental Body of competent jurisdiction shall have issued, enacted, entered, promulgated or enforced any Order (including any temporary restraining Order or preliminary or permanent injunction) or Law restraining, enjoining or otherwise prohibiting the Closing that is continuing in effect;
- (c) the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Sale Order, which shall have become final and non-appealable and shall not have been stayed, reversed, or modified in a manner not acceptable to the Parties; and
- (d) the Canadian Court shall have entered the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, which shall have become final and non-appealable and shall not have been stayed, reversed, or modified in a manner not acceptable to the Parties.
- 7.2 <u>Conditions Precedent to the Obligations of Purchaser</u>. The obligations of Purchaser to consummate the Closing are subject to the satisfaction (or to the extent permitted by Law, written waiver by Purchaser in its sole discretion), on or prior to the Closing Date, of each of the following conditions:
- (a) (i) the representations and warranties made by Sellers in Article III (in each case, other than the Fundamental Representations and other than the representations and warranties set forth in Section 3.4) shall be true and correct in all respects as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date, except (A) that representations and warranties that are made as of a specified date need be true and correct in all respects only as of such date and (B) to the extent the failure of such representations and warranties to be true and correct as of such dates has not had a Material Adverse Effect and (ii) the representations and warranties set forth in Section 3.1, Section 3.2 and Section 3.7 (collectively, the "Fundamental Representations") shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date, except that such Fundamental Representations that are made as of a specified date need be true and correct in all material respects only as of such date;
- (b) the representations and warranties set forth in <u>Section 3.4</u> shall be true and correct in all respects as of the Closing Date with respect to each parcel of the Acquired Real

Property, <u>provided</u> that in the event the foregoing condition is not satisfied as of the Closing Date with respect to any individual parcel of Acquired Real Property, Purchaser's sole recourse shall be, at Purchaser's option, to exclude such individual parcel of Acquired Real Property from the Acquired Assets and proceed with the Closing; <u>provided further</u> that (Y) prior to excluding any such parcel, Purchaser shall notify Sellers of the failure of the foregoing condition to be satisfied, together with Purchaser's basis therefor and supporting evidence thereof, and provide Sellers with reasonable opportunity to cure such failure and (Z) in the event that any individual parcel or parcels of Acquired Real Property are excluded from the Acquired Assets pursuant to the immediately preceding proviso, the Purchase Price shall be reduced by an amount equal to:

- (i) if any individual parcel or parcels of Acquired Real Property are subject to one or more Qualified Bids (as defined in the Bidding Procedures Order and as may be improved upon at the Auction), the greater of (A) the value of the highest Qualified Bid in the Auction pertaining to such parcel or parcels and (B) the highest value allocated to such parcel or parcels in connection with a Qualified Bid in the Auction for a package of Acquired Real Property that includes such parcel or parcels;
- (ii) if (i) is not applicable, but the Sellers otherwise have a binding offer or Contract for such parcel or parcels, the value in such binding offer or Contract;
- (iii) if neither (i) nor (ii) is applicable, and solely for the purposes of this proviso and the proviso to <u>Section 8.1(e)</u>, that portion of the Purchase Price equal to the product of the percentage set forth for such parcel or parcels on <u>Schedule 7.2(b)(iii)</u> *multiplied* by the total Purchase Price (the "<u>Pro Rated Amount</u>"); or
- (iv) as may otherwise be mutually agreed upon in writing between the Parties;
- (c) Sellers shall not have breached in a manner that is material with respect to the Transactions, taken as a whole, the covenants required to be performed or complied with by Sellers under this Agreement on or prior to Closing; and
- (d) Purchaser shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of an authorized officer of Sellers confirming that the conditions set forth Section 2.4 have been satisfied.
- (e) As of the Closing Date, no right of first refusal relating to any individual parcel or parcels of Acquired Real Property shall have been exercised, and the deadline to exercise any such right of first refusal shall have expired. In the event that the foregoing condition is not satisfied as of the Closing Date, Purchaser may elect, in its sole and absolute discretion, to exclude such individual parcel or parcels of Acquired Real Property from the Acquired Assets and proceed with the Closing, with the Purchase Price to be reduced by an amount determined pursuant to the methodology set forth in Section 7.2(b) hereof.
- 7.3 <u>Conditions Precedent to the Obligations of Sellers</u>. The obligations of Sellers to consummate the Closing are subject to the satisfaction (or to the extent permitted by Law, written waiver by Sellers in their sole discretion), on or prior to the Closing Date, of each of the following conditions:

- (a) the representations and warranties made by Purchaser in <u>Article IV</u> shall be true and correct in all material respects as of the Closing Date as though made on and as of the Closing Date, except that representations and warranties that are made as of a specified date need be true and correct in all material respects only as of such date;
- (b) Purchaser shall not have breached in a manner that is material with respect to the Transactions, taken as a whole, the covenants required to be performed or complied with by it under this Agreement on or prior to the Closing Date; and
- (c) Sellers shall have received on and as of the Closing Date a certificate of an authorized officer of Purchaser confirming that the conditions set forth in <u>Section 2.5</u> have been satisfied.
- 7.4 <u>Waiver of Conditions</u>. Upon the occurrence of the Closing, any condition set forth in this <u>Article VII</u> that was not satisfied as of the Closing will be deemed to have been waived for all purposes by the Party having the benefit of such condition as of and after the Closing. None of Purchaser or Sellers may rely on the failure of any condition set forth in this <u>Article VII</u>, as applicable, to be satisfied if such failure was caused by such Party's failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement, including its obligation to use its reasonable best efforts to consummate the Transactions as required under this Agreement.
- 7.5 <u>Information Officer's Certificate</u>. When the conditions to Closing set forth in Sections 7.1, 7.2, and 7.3 have been satisfied or waived by the Sellers and the Purchaser, as applicable, the Sellers and the Purchaser will each deliver to the Information Officer the certificates referred to in Section 7.2(d) and 7.3(c) applicable (the "Conditions Certificate"). Upon receipt of each of the Conditions Certificates, the Information Officer shall: (a) issue forthwith the Information Officer's Certificate concurrently to the Sellers and the Purchasers, at which time the Closing in respect of the Acquired Assets of the Canadian Seller will be deemed to have occurred, and the Acquired Assets of the Canadian Seller shall vest in and to the Purchaser; and (b) file as soon as practicable a copy of the Information Officer's Certificate with the Canadian Court (and shall provide a true copy of such filed certificate to the Sellers and the Purchaser). The Parties hereto acknowledge and agree that the Information Officer shall be entitled to file the Information Officer's Certificate with the Canadian Court without independent investigation upon receiving the Conditions Certificates, and the Information Officer will be relying exclusively on the basis of the Conditions Certificates and without any obligation whatsoever to verify the satisfaction or waiver of the applicable conditions and shall have no liability to Sellers or the Purchasers or any other Person as a result of filing the Information Officer's Certificate upon receiving such Conditions Certificates.

ARTICLE VIII TERMINATION

- 8.1 <u>Termination of Agreement</u>. This Agreement may be terminated at any time prior to the Closing only in accordance with this <u>Section 8.1</u>, and in no other matter:
 - (a) by the mutual written consent of Sellers and Purchaser;

- (b) by written notice of either Purchaser or Sellers to the other, if there is in effect any Law or Order enacted or issued by a Governmental Body of competent jurisdiction that restrains, enjoins, declares unlawful or otherwise prohibits the consummation of the Closing or declaring unlawful the Transactions, and such Law or Order has become final, binding and non-appealable; <u>provided</u> that no Party may terminate this Agreement under this <u>Section 8.1(b)</u> if the issuance of such Order was sought or requested by such Party or caused by such Party's failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement;
- (c) by written notice of either Purchaser or Sellers, if the Closing shall not have occurred on or before February 6, 2024; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that such date may be extended one time for an additional thirty (30) calendar days upon the mutual agreement of Purchaser and Yellow, and, if so extended, Sellers shall pay to Purchaser an extension fee in the amount of \$2,000,000, which may be applied as a credit towards the Purchase Price if Purchaser is the Successful Bidder (the "<u>Outside Date</u>") (or such later date as provided in <u>Section 10.12</u>); <u>provided</u> that a Party shall not be permitted to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 8.1(c)</u> if the failure of the Closing to have occurred by the Outside Date was caused by such Party's failure to perform any of its obligations under this Agreement;
- (d) by written notice from Sellers to Purchaser, upon a breach of any covenant or agreement on the part of Purchaser, or if any representation or warranty of Purchaser will have become untrue, in each case, such that the conditions set forth in Section 7.3(a) or 7.3(b) would not be satisfied, including a breach of Purchaser's obligation to consummate the Closing; provided that (i) if such breach is curable by Purchaser (other than a breach or failure by Purchaser to close when required pursuant to Section 2.3) then Sellers may not terminate this Agreement under this Section 8.1(d) for so long as Purchaser continues to exercise reasonable best efforts to cure such breach unless such breach has not been cured by the date which that the earlier of (A) two Business Days prior to the Outside Date and (B) 15 days after Sellers notify Purchaser of such breach and (ii) Sellers' right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.1(d) will not be available to Sellers at any time that Sellers are in material breach of, any covenant, representation or warranty hereunder;
- (e) by written notice from Purchaser to Sellers, upon a breach of any covenant or agreement on the part of Sellers, or if any representation or warranty of the Sellers will have become untrue, in each case, such that the conditions set forth in <u>Section 7.2(a)</u> or <u>7.2(c)</u> would not be satisfied; <u>provided</u> that:
 - (i) if such breach is curable by Sellers (other than a breach or failure by Sellers to close when required pursuant to Section 2.3) then Purchaser may not terminate this Agreement under this Section 8.1(e) for so long as Sellers continue to exercise reasonable best efforts to cure such breach unless such breach has not been cured by the date which is the earlier of (A) two Business Days prior to the Outside Date and (B) 15 days after Purchaser notifies Sellers of such breach;
 - (ii) with respect to any representation or warranty set forth in <u>Section 3.4</u>, Purchaser shall not be entitled to terminate this Agreement, but rather shall be entitled solely to exclude from the Closing any specific individual parcel of Acquired Real Property with respect to which such representations or warranties are not true at the time

of the Closing; provided further that in the event that any individual parcel or parcels of Acquired Real Property are excluded from the Acquired Assets pursuant to this clause (ii), the Purchase Price shall be reduced by an amount equal to: (A) if any individual parcel or parcels of Acquired Real Property are subject to one or more Qualified Bids (as defined in the Bidding Procedures Order and as may be improved upon at the Auction), the greater of (I) the value of the highest Qualified Bid in the Auction pertaining to such parcel or parcels and (II) the highest value allocated to such parcel or parcels in connection with a Qualified Bid in the Auction for a package of Acquired Real Property that includes such parcel or parcels; (B) if (A) is not applicable but the Sellers otherwise have a binding offer or Contract for such parcel or parcels, the value in such binding offer or Contract; (C) if neither (A) nor (B) is applicable, the Pro Rated Amount, or (D) as may otherwise be mutually agreed upon in writing between the Parties; and

- (iii) the right to terminate this Agreement pursuant to this <u>Section 8.1(e)</u> will not be available to Purchaser at any time that Purchaser is in material breach of, any covenant, representation or warranty hereunder;
- (f) by written notice from Sellers to Purchaser, if all of the conditions set forth in <u>Sections 7.1</u> and <u>7.2</u> have been satisfied (other than conditions that by their nature are to be satisfied at the Closing, but which conditions are capable of being satisfied) or waived and Purchaser fails to complete the Closing at the time required by <u>Section 2.3</u>;
- (g) by written notice from Sellers to Purchaser, if any Seller or the board of directors (or similar governing body) of any Seller determines that proceeding with the Transactions or failing to terminate this Agreement would be inconsistent with its or such Person's or body's fiduciary duties;
- (h) by written notice of either Purchaser or Sellers, if (i) any Seller enters into one or more Alternative Transactions with one or more Persons other than Purchaser or the Successful Bidder or the Backup Bidder at the Auction or (ii) the Bankruptcy Court approves an Alternative Transaction other than with the Successful Bidder or the Backup Bidder; or
- (i) by written notice from either Purchaser or Sellers, if Purchaser is not the Successful Bidder or the Backup Bidder at the Auction;
- (j) by written notice from Sellers to Purchaser if the Debt Commitment Letter is not duly executed and delivered by Purchaser and the Lenders in accordance with <u>Section 4.4(d)</u> on (or prior to) the SH Approval Date (if any); and
- (k) by written notice from Purchaser to Sellers, if for any reason the SH Approval Date has not occurred on or prior to September 22, 2023. For the avoidance of doubt, the Parties agree that in the event of termination of this Agreement pursuant to this Section 8.1(k), then the Deposit shall be returned to Purchaser in accordance with Section 2.2(c) of this Agreement absent further order of court and this Agreement shall not constitute a bid in the Auction.

8.2 Effect of Termination.

- (a) In the event of termination of this Agreement in accordance with Article VIII, this Agreement shall forthwith become null and void and no Party or any of its partners, officers, directors, managers or equityholders will have any Liability under this Agreement; provided that Section 2.2, Section 6.2(b), Section 6.6(e), Section 6.12, this Section 8.2 and Article X shall survive any such termination; provided further that no termination will relieve Purchaser from any Liability for damages, losses, costs or expenses (which the Parties acknowledge and agree shall not be limited to reimbursement of expenses or out-of-pocket costs, and would include the benefits of the Transactions lost by Sellers (taking into consideration all relevant matters, including other combination opportunities and the time value of money), which shall be deemed in such event to be damages of Sellers) resulting from any Willful Breach of this Agreement prior to the date of such termination (which, for the avoidance of doubt, will be deemed to include any failure by Purchaser to consummate the Closing if and when it is obligated to do so hereunder). Subject to Section 10.12, nothing in this Section 8.2 will be deemed to impair the right of any Party to be entitled to specific performance or other equitable remedies to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement.
- (b) If this Agreement is terminated other than (i) by the Sellers pursuant to Section 8.1(c) or Section 8.1(j) or (ii) pursuant to Sections 8.1(a), 8.1(b), 8.1(d), or 8.1(k), then the Sellers will pay to Purchaser by wire transfer of immediately available funds within three (3) Business Days following such termination of this Agreement an amount equal to the reasonable and documented out-of-pocket costs and expenses (including fees and expenses of counsel) incurred by Purchaser in connection with the negotiation, diligence, execution, performance and enforcement of this Agreement, which amount will shall not exceed \$1,600,000 ("Expense Reimbursement").
- In consideration for Purchaser having expended considerable time and (c) expense in connection with this Agreement and the negotiation thereof, if this Agreement is terminated pursuant to Section 8.1(e), 8.1(g), 8.1(h), or 8.1(i), Yellow shall pay to Purchaser a break-up fee in an amount equal to \$7,500,000 (the "Breakup Fee") plus, to the extent not previously paid, the Expense Reimbursement; provided that the Breakup Fee shall be payable concurrently with the consummation of, and only out of the cash proceeds of, an Alternative Transaction, to an account designated by Purchaser in writing to Yellow and the Expense Reimbursement, if any, shall be payable only once. Each of the Parties acknowledges and agrees that the agreements contained in this Section 8.2 are an integral part of this Agreement and that the Expense Reimbursement and the Breakup Fee are not a penalty, but rather represent liquidated damages in a reasonable amount that will reasonably compensate Purchaser in the circumstances in which Expense Reimbursement or Breakup Fee, as applicable, is payable for the efforts and resources expended and opportunities foregone by Purchaser while negotiating and pursuing this Agreement and in reasonable reliance on this Agreement and on the reasonable expectation of the consummation of the Transactions, which amount would otherwise be impossible to calculate with precision.
- (d) Subject in all cases to <u>Section 10.12</u>, prior to the Closing, in the event of any breach by any Seller of this Agreement, the sole and exclusive remedy of Purchaser shall be to terminate this Agreement in accordance with <u>Section 8.1</u> and, if applicable, to receive the and

Expense Reimbursement or the Breakup Fee, as applicable, in accordance with <u>Section 8.2</u>. Pursuant to the Bidding Procedures Order and subject to approval by the Bankruptcy Court, the claim of Purchaser in respect of the Expense Reimbursement or the Breakup Fee is and constitutes an allowed administrative expense claim against Sellers under sections 503 and 507(b) of the Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Case.

(e) For the avoidance of doubt, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, the provisions of Section 8.2(b), Section 8.2(c), and Section 8.2(d) shall terminate automatically and be of no further force and effect upon any termination pursuant to Section 8.1(j) or Section 8.1(k).

ARTICLE IX TAXES

- Transfer Taxes. Any U.S. federal, Canadian federal, state, provincial, local, 9.1 municipal, and non-U.S. sales, consumption sales, goods and services, harmonized sales, use, excise, value added, registration, real property, deed, land transfer, retail sales, mutations, purchase, transfer, franchise, deed, fixed asset, stamp, documentary stamp, duties on the transfer of immovables or other Taxes and recording charges (including all related interest, penalties, and additions to any of the foregoing) payable by reason of the purchase or sale of the Acquired Assets or the assumption of the Assumed Liabilities under this Agreement or the Transactions (the "Transfer Taxes") shall be borne and timely paid by Purchaser, and Purchaser shall timely file all Tax Returns related to any Transfer Taxes with the appropriate Taxing Authority. Purchaser or Designated Purchaser shall pay any Transfer Taxes to the Sellers or directly to the relevant Governmental Body as and when required under applicable Law. Notwithstanding the foregoing, and in accordance with subsections 221(2) and 228(4) of the Excise Tax Act (Canada) and sections 423 and 438 of An Act respecting the Québec sales tax (Quebec), Sellers shall not collect the GST/HST and, if applicable, QST with respect to the sale of Acquired Real Property in Canada if the Purchaser or Designated Purchaser of such Acquired Real Property is duly registered under the Excise Tax Act (Canada) and, if applicable, An Act respecting the Québec sales tax (Quebec) on the Closing Date and, in that event, such Purchaser or Designated Purchaser (as applicable) shall self-assess, file GST/HST and QST returns and remit such GST/HST and QST to the appropriate Taxing Authority when and to the extent required by such legislation. Purchaser shall indemnify Sellers and the Seller Parties and hold them harmless from any liability under the Excise Tax Act (Canada) and An Act respecting the Québec sales tax (Quebec) arising because of the breach of the obligations of the Purchaser or any Designated Purchaser in respect of the sale, assignment or transfer of and Acquired Real Property in Canada, set out in this Section 9.1 or arising under such legislation.
- 9.2 <u>Allocation of Purchase Price</u>. For U.S. federal and applicable state and local and foreign income Tax purposes, including Canadian federal and provincial Tax purposes, Purchaser, Sellers, and their respective Affiliates shall allocate the Purchase Price (and any Assumed Liabilities or other amounts treated as part of the purchase price for U.S. federal income Tax purposes) among the Acquired Assets in accordance with the fair market value of the Acquired Assets (the "Allocation Methodology"). As soon as commercially practicable, but no later than thirty (30) days following the determination of the final Purchase Price, Purchaser shall provide a proposed allocation to Sellers setting forth the allocation of the Purchase Price (and other amounts

treated as part of the purchase price for U.S. federal income Tax purposes) among the Acquired Assets in accordance with the Allocation Methodology (the "Allocation") subject to Sellers' review and approval (such approval not to be unreasonably delayed, conditioned or withheld). Purchaser shall either: (i) incorporate any changes reasonably requested by Sellers with respect to such Allocation; provided that Sellers' requested Allocation is acceptable to Purchaser; or (ii) within fifteen (15) days after Purchaser's receipt of Sellers' requested changes to the Allocation, provide written notice to Sellers that Purchaser objects to Sellers requested Allocation changes (the "Allocation Objection Notice"). If Purchaser timely delivers an Allocation Objection Notice to Sellers or alternatively, if Sellers deliver a written objection within thirty (30) days after receipt of the draft Allocation proposed by Purchaser, then Purchaser and Sellers shall negotiate in good faith to resolve any such objection, and, if Sellers and Purchaser cannot resolve such dispute within thirty (30) days of Purchaser's receipt of Sellers' objection, then a recognized industrial real estate brokerage firm specializing in trucking real estate mutually acceptable to Purchaser and Sellers shall resolve such dispute, with the costs of such resolution to be evenly split by Purchaser, on the one hand, and Sellers, on the other hand, and the resolution of such dispute shall be final and binding on the Parties. The Parties and their respective Affiliates shall file all Tax Returns in accordance with such Allocation (as finally determined under this Section 9.2) and not take any Tax related action inconsistent with the Allocation, in each case, unless otherwise required by a "determination" within the meaning of section 1313(a) of the Tax Code and other applicable Law.

9.3 <u>Cooperation</u>. Purchaser and Sellers shall reasonably cooperate, as and to the extent reasonably requested by the other Party, in connection with the filing of Tax Returns and any Action, audit, litigation, or other proceeding with respect to Taxes.

9.4 <u>Preparation of Tax Returns and Payment of Taxes.</u>

- (a) Except as otherwise provided by <u>Section 9.1</u>, Sellers shall prepare and timely file (i) all Tax Returns with respect to the Acquired Assets for any Tax period ending on or before the Closing Date and (ii) all income Tax Returns of Sellers.
- (b) Purchaser shall prepare and timely file all Tax Returns with respect to the Acquired Assets for any Tax period ending after the Closing Date. With respect to any Straddle Period, Purchaser shall prepare such Tax Returns consistent with past practice, and shall provide Sellers or their successors in rights, as applicable, with a draft of such Tax Returns at least 30 days prior to the filing of any such Tax Return. Purchaser shall incorporate any changes reasonably requested by Sellers with respect to such Tax Returns. Purchaser shall be responsible for paying any Taxes reflected on any Tax Return that Purchaser is obligated to prepare and file under this Section 9.4(b).
- (c) Purchaser shall not file any Tax Return, file an amendment to any previously-filed Tax Return, or otherwise take any Tax position, in each case, that has the effect of increasing any Tax that is payable or otherwise borne by Sellers.

ARTICLE X MISCELLANEOUS

- Non-Survival of Representations and Warranties and Certain Covenants; Certain Waivers. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything else contained herein or elsewhere to the contrary, each of the Sellers' representations and warranties and the covenants and agreements (to the extent such covenant or agreement contemplates or requires performance by such Party prior to the Closing) of the Parties set forth in this Agreement or in any other document contemplated hereby, or in any certificate delivered hereunder or thereunder, will terminate effective immediately as of the Closing such that no claim for breach of any such representation, warranty, covenant or agreement, detrimental reliance or other right or remedy (whether in contract, in tort or at law or in equity) may be brought with respect thereto after the Closing. Each covenant and agreement that explicitly contemplates performance after the Closing, will, in each case and to such extent, expressly survive the Closing in accordance with its terms, and if no term is specified, then for five years following the Closing Date, and nothing in this Section 10.1 will be deemed to limit any rights or remedies of any Person for breach of any such surviving covenant or agreement. Purchaser and Sellers acknowledge and agree, on their own behalf, with respect to Purchaser, and on behalf of the Purchaser Group that the agreements contained in (among others) Section 6.10, Section 6.12, and this Section 10.1 require performance after the Closing to the maximum extent permitted by applicable Law and will survive the Closing for five years. Purchaser on behalf of itself and the other members of the Purchaser Group hereby waives all rights and remedies with respect to any environmental, health or safety matters, including those arising under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, or any other Environmental Laws, relating to this Agreement or the Transactions.
- 10.2 <u>Expenses</u>. Whether or not the Closing takes place, except as otherwise provided herein, all fees, costs and expenses (including fees, costs and expenses of Advisors) incurred in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement and the other agreements contemplated hereby, the performance of this Agreement and the other agreements contemplated hereby and the consummation of the Transactions will be paid by the Party incurring such fees, costs and expenses; it being acknowledged and agreed that (a) all fees and expenses in connection with any filing or submission required under the HSR Act, the Competition Act, and the Antitrust Laws or other regulations set forth in <u>Schedule 7.1</u> will be allocated pursuant to <u>Section 6.3</u>, (b) all Transfer Taxes will be allocated pursuant to <u>Section 9.1</u> and (c) all Cure Costs will be allocated pursuant to Section 5.2.
- 10.3 Notices. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all notices, demands and other communications to be given or delivered under or by reason of the provisions of this Agreement will be in writing and will be deemed to have been given (a) when personally delivered, (b) when transmitted by electronic mail (having obtained electronic delivery confirmation thereof) if delivered by 5:00 P.M. local time of the recipient on a Business Day and otherwise on the following Business Day, (c) the day following the day on which the same has been delivered prepaid to a reputable national overnight air courier service or (d) the third Business Day following the day on which the same is sent by certified or registered mail, postage prepaid, in each case, to the respective Party at the number, electronic mail address or street address, as applicable, set forth below, or at such other number, electronic mail address or street address as such Party may specify by written notice to the other Party.

Notices to Purchaser:

Estes Express Lines 3901 West Broad Street Richmond, VA 23230

Attention: Angela J. Maidment

Vice President, Corporate Real Estate and Legal Affairs

Email: angela.maidment@estes-express.com

with a copy to (which shall not constitute notice):

Whiteford, Taylor & Preston LLP 11 Stanwix Street, Suite 1400 Pittsburgh, PA 15222

Attention: Michael J. Roeschenthaler, Esq. Email: mroeschenthaler@whitefordlaw.com

Notices to Sellers:

Yellow Corporation 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400 Overland Park, Kansas 66211

Attention: Chief Financial Officer

General Counsel

Email: Dan.Olivier@myYellow.com

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with copies to (which shall not constitute notice):

Kirkland & Ellis LLP 601 Lexington Avenue New York, NY 10022

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Attention: Robert J. Chadwick

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10.4 Binding Effect; Assignment.

- (a) This Agreement shall be binding upon Purchaser and, subject to the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order and the Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order (in each case, with respect to the matters covered thereby) and the entry and terms of the Sale Order and the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, Sellers, and shall inure to the benefit of and be so binding on the Parties and their respective successors and permitted assigns, including any trustee or estate representative appointed in the Bankruptcy Cases or any successor Chapter 7 cases or any trustee, receiver, or monitor appointed in any Canadian bankruptcy, proposal, receivership or CCAA proceedings in respect of any Seller, including within the Canadian Recognition Proceedings; provided that, subject to Section 10.4(b), neither this Agreement nor any of the rights or obligations hereunder may be assigned or delegated without the prior written consent of Purchaser and Yellow, and any attempted assignment or delegation without such prior written consent shall be null and void; provided further that Purchaser (subject to Purchaser remaining liable for its obligations hereunder in the event such obligations are not performed in accordance with their terms) may assign any of its rights or obligations hereunder to any of its Affiliates without the consent of any Person.
- (b) At any time following entry of the Sale Order and prior to the Closing, Purchaser shall be entitled to designate, by written notice to Sellers, one or more Persons or Affiliates to (i) purchase the Acquired Assets and pay the corresponding Purchase Price amount or (ii) assume the Assumed Liabilities (any such Person or Affiliates that shall be designated in accordance with this clause, a "Designated Purchaser"). In addition, and for the avoidance of doubt, a Designated Purchaser shall be entitled to perform any other covenants or agreements of Purchaser under this Agreement. Further notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, Purchaser in its sole discretion may, by written notice delivered to Sellers no later than five (5) business days prior to the Closing Date, designate a Designated Purchaser to take title to any Acquired Real Property. Subject to this paragraph, this Agreement and the provisions hereof shall be binding upon each of such parties, their successors and permitted assigns and Purchaser shall remain primarily liable until the transfer to any such Designated Purchaser and the satisfaction by such Designated Purchaser of any related obligations or other Liabilities hereunder.
- (c) Purchaser acknowledges and agrees to comply with the anti-collusion requirements of the Bidding Procedures Order and the Bankruptcy Code. In furtherance of the foregoing, Purchaser will not, and will cause its Advisors not to, at any time prior to entry of the Sale Order, contact or discuss with any Person a possible transaction, Contract, or other arrangement with respect to any Person being a Designated Purchaser or such Person's potential interest therein.

- 10.5 <u>Amendment and Waiver</u>. Except as set forth in <u>Section 11.4</u>, any provision of this Agreement or the Schedules or exhibits hereto may be (a) amended only in a writing signed by Purchaser and Sellers or (b) waived only in a writing executed by the Party against which enforcement of such waiver is sought. No waiver of any provision hereunder or any breach or default thereof will extend to or affect in any way any other provision or prior or subsequent breach or default.
- 10.6 <u>Third Party Beneficiaries</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, nothing expressed or referred to in this Agreement will be construed to give any Person other than (i) for purposes of <u>Section 10.7</u>, the Non-Recourse Parties, (ii) for purposes of <u>Section 6.6(e)</u> and <u>Section 6.12</u>, the Seller Parties, and (iii) the Parties hereto and such permitted assigns, any legal or equitable right, remedy, or claim under or with respect to this Agreement or any provision of this Agreement.
- 10.7 <u>Non-Recourse</u>. This Agreement may only be enforced against, and any Action based upon, arising out of or related to this Agreement may only be brought against, the Persons that are expressly named as parties to this Agreement. Except to the extent named as a party to this Agreement, and then only to the extent of the specific obligations of such parties set forth in this Agreement, no past, present or future shareholder, member, partner, manager, director, officer, employee, Affiliate, agent or Advisor of any Party (each, a "Non-Recourse Party") will have any Liability (whether in contract, tort, equity or otherwise) for any of the representations, warranties, covenants, agreements or other obligations or Liabilities of any of the parties to this Agreement or for any Agreement Dispute (as defined herein), and in no event shall any Party have any shared or vicarious liability, or otherwise be the subject of legal or equitable claims, for the actions, omissions or fraud (including through equitable claims (such as unjust enrichment) not requiring proof of wrongdoing committed by the subject of such claims) of any other Person.
- 10.8 <u>Severability</u>. Whenever possible, each provision of this Agreement will be interpreted in such manner as to be effective and valid under applicable Law, but if any provision of this Agreement is held to be prohibited by or invalid under applicable Law in any jurisdiction, such provision will be ineffective only to the extent of such prohibition or invalidity in such jurisdiction, without invalidating the remainder of such provision or the remaining provisions of this Agreement or in any other jurisdiction.
- 10.9 <u>Construction</u>. The language used in this Agreement will be deemed to be the language chosen by the Parties to express their mutual intent, and no rule of strict construction will be applied against any Person. The headings of the sections and paragraphs of this Agreement have been inserted for convenience of reference only and will in no way restrict or otherwise modify any of the terms or provisions hereof.
- 10.10 <u>Schedules</u>. The Schedules have been arranged for purposes of convenience in separately numbered sections corresponding to the sections of this Agreement; <u>provided</u> that each section of the Schedules will be deemed to incorporate by reference all information disclosed in any other section of the Schedules, and any disclosure in the Schedules will be deemed a disclosure against any representation or warranty set forth in this Agreement. Capitalized terms used in the Schedules and not otherwise defined therein have the meanings given to them in this Agreement. The specification of any dollar amount or the inclusion of any item in the representations and

warranties contained in this Agreement, the Schedules or the attached exhibits is not intended to imply that the amounts, or higher or lower amounts, or the items so included, or other items, are or are not required to be disclosed (including whether such amounts or items are required to be disclosed as material or threatened) or are within or outside of the Ordinary Course, and no Party will use the fact of the setting of the amounts or the fact of the inclusion of any item in this Agreement, the Schedules or exhibits in any dispute or controversy between the Parties as to whether any obligation, item or matter not set forth or included in this Agreement, the Schedules or exhibits is or is not required to be disclosed (including whether the amount or items are required to be disclosed as material or threatened) or are within or outside of the Ordinary Course. In addition, matters reflected in the Schedules are not necessarily limited to matters required by this Agreement to be reflected in the Schedules. Such additional matters are set forth for informational purposes only and do not necessarily include other matters of a similar nature. No information set forth in the Schedules will be deemed to broaden in any way the scope of the Parties' representations and warranties. Any description of any agreement, document, instrument, plan, arrangement or other item set forth on any Schedule is qualified in its entirety by the terms of such agreement, document, instrument, plan, arrangement, or item which terms will be deemed disclosed for all purposes of this Agreement. The information contained in this Agreement, in the Schedules and exhibits hereto is disclosed solely for purposes of this Agreement, and no information contained herein or therein will be deemed to be an admission by any Party to any third party of any matter whatsoever, including any violation of Law or breach of Contract.

- Agreement and any other agreements expressly referred to herein or therein, contains the entire agreement of the Parties respecting the sale and purchase of the Acquired Assets and the Assumed Liabilities and the Transactions and supersedes all prior agreements among the Parties respecting the sale and purchase of the Acquired Assets and the Assumed Liabilities and the Transactions. In the event an ambiguity or question of intent or interpretation arises with respect to this Agreement, the terms and provisions of the execution version of this Agreement will control and prior drafts of this Agreement and the documents referenced herein will not be considered or analyzed for any purpose (including in support of parol evidence proffered by any Person in connection with this Agreement), will be deemed not to provide any evidence as to the meaning of the provisions hereof or the intent of the Parties with respect hereto and will be deemed joint work product of the Parties.
- 10.12 Specific Performance. The Parties agree that irreparable damage, for which monetary relief, even if available, would not be an adequate remedy, would occur in the event that any provision of this Agreement is not performed in accordance with its specific terms or is otherwise breached, including if any of the Parties fails to take any action required of it hereunder to consummate the Transactions. It is accordingly agreed that (a) the Parties will be entitled to an injunction or injunctions, specific performance or other equitable relief to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions hereof in the courts described in Section 10.13 without proof of damages or otherwise, this being in addition to any other remedy to which they are entitled under this Agreement, and (b) the right of specific performance and other equitable relief is an integral part of the Transactions and without that right, neither Sellers nor Purchaser would have entered into this Agreement. The Parties acknowledge and agree that any Party pursuing an injunction or injunctions or other Order to prevent breaches of this Agreement and to enforce specifically the terms and provisions of this Agreement in accordance with this Section 10.12 will not be required to provide any bond or other security in connection with any

such Order. The remedies available to Sellers pursuant to this Section 10.12 will be in addition to any other remedy to which they were entitled at law or in equity, and the election to pursue an injunction or specific performance will not restrict, impair or otherwise limit any Seller from seeking to collect or collecting damages. If, prior to the Outside Date, any Party brings any action, in each case in accordance with Section 10.13, to enforce specifically the performance of the terms and provisions hereof by any other Party, the Outside Date will automatically be extended (i) for the period during which such action is pending, plus ten Business Days or (ii) by such other time period established by the court presiding over such action, as the case may be. In no event will this Section 10.12 be used, alone or together with any other provision of this Agreement, to require any Seller to remedy any breach of any representation or warranty made by any Seller herein.

10.13 <u>Jurisdiction and Exclusive Venue</u>. Each of the Parties irrevocably agrees that any Action of any kind whatsoever, including a counterclaim, cross-claim, or defense, regardless of the legal theory under which any Liability or obligation may be sought to be imposed, whether sounding in contract or in tort or under statute, or whether at law or in equity, or otherwise under any legal or equitable theory, that may be based upon, arising out of, or related to this Agreement or the negotiation, execution, or performance of this Agreement or the Transactions and any questions concerning the construction, interpretation, validity and enforceability of this Agreement (each, an "Agreement Dispute") brought by any other Party or its successors or assigns will be brought and determined only in (a) the Bankruptcy Court and any federal court to which an appeal from the Bankruptcy Court may be validly taken or (b) if the Bankruptcy Court is unwilling or unable to hear such Action, in the Court of Chancery of the State of Delaware (or if such court lacks jurisdiction, any other state or federal court sitting in the State of Delaware) (the "Chosen Courts"), and each of the Parties hereby irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction of the Chosen Courts for itself and with respect to its property, generally and unconditionally, with regard to any Agreement Dispute. Each of the Parties agrees not to commence any Agreement Dispute except in the Chosen Courts, other than Actions in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce any Order, decree or award rendered by any Chosen Courts, and no Party will file a motion to dismiss any Agreement Dispute filed in a Chosen Court on any jurisdictional or venue-related grounds, including the doctrine of forum non-conveniens. The Parties irrevocably agree that venue would be proper in any of the Chosen Court, and hereby irrevocably waive any objection that any such court is an improper or inconvenient forum for the resolution of any Agreement Dispute. Each of the Parties further irrevocably and unconditionally consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in Section 10.3. Nothing in this Agreement will affect the right of any Party to serve process in any other manner permitted by Law.

10.14 Governing Law; Waiver of Jury Trial.

- (a) Except to the extent the mandatory provisions of the Bankruptcy Code apply, this Agreement and any Agreement Dispute will be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal Laws of the State of Delaware applicable to agreements executed and performed entirely within such State without regards to conflicts of law principles of the State of Delaware or any other jurisdiction that would cause the Laws of any jurisdiction other than the State of Delaware to apply.
- (b) EACH PARTY ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT ANY AGREEMENT DISPUTE IS LIKELY TO INVOLVE COMPLICATED AND DIFFICULT

ISSUES AND THEREFORE HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY AGREEMENT DISPUTE. EACH OF THE PARTIES AGREES AND CONSENTS THAT ANY SUCH AGREEMENT DISPUTE WILL BE DECIDED BY COURT TRIAL WITHOUT A JURY AND THAT THE PARTIES MAY FILE AN ORIGINAL COUNTERPART OF A COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT WITH ANY COURT AS WRITTEN EVIDENCE OF THE CONSENT OF THE PARTIES TO THE IRREVOCABLE WAIVER OF THEIR RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY. EACH PARTY (I) CERTIFIES THAT NO ADVISOR OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF ANY AGREEMENT DISPUTE, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (II) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

- 10.15 No Right of Set-Off. Purchaser, on its own behalf and on behalf the Purchaser Group and its and their respective successors and permitted assigns, hereby waives any rights of set-off, netting, offset, recoupment or similar rights that Purchaser, any member of the Purchaser Group or any of its or their respective successors and permitted assigns has or may have with respect to the payment of the Purchase Price or any other payments to be made by Purchaser pursuant to this Agreement or any other document or instrument delivered by Purchaser in connection herewith.
- 10.16 Counterparts and PDF. This Agreement and any other agreements referred to herein or therein, and any amendments hereto or thereto, may be executed in multiple counterparts, any one of which need not contain the signature of more than one party hereto or thereto, but all such counterparts taken together will constitute one and the same instrument. Any counterpart, to the extent signed and delivered by means of a .PDF or other electronic transmission, will be treated in all manner and respects as an original Contract and will be considered to have the same binding legal effects as if it were the original signed version thereof delivered in person. Minor variations in the form of the signature page to this Agreement or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby, including footers from earlier versions of this Agreement or any such other document, will be disregarded in determining the effectiveness of such signature. At the request of any party or pursuant to any such Contract, each other party hereto or thereto will re-execute original forms thereof and deliver them to all other parties. No party hereto or to any such Contract will raise the use of a .PDF or other electronic transmission to deliver a signature or the fact that any signature or Contract was transmitted or communicated through the use of PDF or other electronic transmission as a defense to the formation of a Contract and each such party forever waives any such defense.
- 10.17 <u>Publicity</u>. Neither Sellers nor Purchaser shall issue any press release or public announcement concerning this Agreement or the Transactions without obtaining the prior written approval of the other Party, which approval will not be unreasonably conditioned, withheld or delayed, unless, in the reasonable judgment of Purchaser or Sellers, as applicable, disclosure is otherwise required of such Party by applicable Law, such disclosure is consistent with (and discloses no substantive terms of the Agreement other than those disclosed in prior permitted releases) or disclosure is required by the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court with respect to filings to be made with the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court in connection with this

Agreement or by the applicable rules of any stock exchange on which Purchaser or Sellers (or their respective Affiliates) lists securities; <u>provided</u> that the Party intending to make such release shall use its reasonable efforts consistent with such applicable Law, Bankruptcy Court requirement, the Canadian Court requirement, or rule to consult with the other Party with respect to the text thereof.

- 10.18 <u>Bulk Sales Laws</u>. The Parties intend that pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code and pursuant to the CCAA, the transfer of the Acquired Assets shall be free and clear of any Encumbrances in the Acquired Assets including any liens or claims arising out of the bulk transfer Laws except Permitted Encumbrances, and the Parties shall take such steps as may be necessary or appropriate to so provide in the Sale Order and the Canadian Sale Recognition Order. In furtherance of the foregoing, each Party hereby waives compliance by the Parties with the "bulk sales," "bulk transfers" or similar Laws and all other similar Laws in all applicable jurisdictions in respect of the Transactions.
- 10.19 <u>Fiduciary Obligations</u>. Nothing in this Agreement, or any document related to the Transactions, will require any Seller or any of their respective managers, officers or members, in each case, in their capacity as such, to take any action, or to refrain from taking any action, to the extent inconsistent with their fiduciary obligations or applicable Law. For the avoidance of doubt, Sellers retain the right to pursue any transaction or restructuring strategy that, in Sellers' business judgment, will maximize the value of their estates.
- 10.20 <u>Sellers' Representative</u>. Each Party agrees that Yellow has the power and authority to unilaterally act on behalf of all or any of the Sellers for the purposes specified under this Agreement. Such power will include the power to make all decisions, actions, Consents and determinations on behalf of the Sellers, including to make any waiver of any Closing condition or agree to any amendment to this Agreement. No Seller shall have any right to object, dissent, protest or otherwise contest the same. Purchaser shall be entitled to rely on any action or omission taken by Yellow on behalf of the Sellers.

10.21 Condemnation and Casualty.

- (a) In the event of any taking or expropriation of, or if notice is given of the intention to take, by the exercise of the power of eminent domain or expropriation, all or substantially all of any Acquired Real Property prior to the Closing Date, Purchaser shall remain obligated to purchase such Acquired Real Property with no reduction in the Purchase Price; provided that Purchaser shall have the right to participate in any Action relating thereto and the negotiation of any related award and shall have the right to challenge the award and pursue any other legal remedies as the putative acquirer of such Acquired Real Property. At the Closing, Purchaser shall be assigned all interest of Sellers in and to any condemnation or expropriation awards payable to Sellers, on account of such event, less sums that Sellers incur before the Closing Date in any condemnation proceeding.
- (b) If any Acquired Real Property suffers damage as a result of any casualty prior to the Closing Date, Purchaser shall remain obligated to purchase such Acquired Real Property with no reduction in the Purchase Price. At the Closing, Purchaser shall be assigned all interest of Sellers in and to any insurance proceeds actually received by Sellers on account of such casualty (including any proceeds of business interruption insurance for the period after the date of

the Closing Date), less sums that Sellers incur before the Closing Date for the cost and expense of the repair of any of the damage that Sellers may elect, in their sole discretion, to undertake or in pursuing the collection of any such insurance proceeds.

10.22 <u>Prevailing Party.</u> If any litigation or other court action, arbitration or similar adjudicatory proceeding is sought, taken, instituted or brought by Sellers or Purchaser to enforce its rights under this Agreement, all fees, costs and expenses, including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees and court costs, of the prevailing party in such action, suit or proceeding shall be borne by the party against whose interest the judgment or decision is rendered. This Section shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the Closing. Sellers agree that any amounts awarded to Purchaser pursuant to this section shall be payable as administrative expenses pursuant to section 503(b)(1)(A) of the Bankruptcy Code.

ARTICLE XI ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETIVE MATTERS

11.1 Certain Definitions.

- (a) "<u>Action</u>" means any action, complaint, suit, litigation, arbitration, third-party mediation, audit, or proceeding (including any civil, criminal, administrative, investigative or appellate proceeding), whether sounding in contract or tort, or whether at law or in equity, or otherwise under any legal or equitable theory, commenced, brought, conducted or heard by or before any Governmental Body.
- (b) "<u>Advisors</u>" means, with respect to any Person as of any relevant time, any directors, officers, employees, investment bankers, financial advisors, accountants, agents, attorneys, consultants, or other representatives of such Person.
- (c) "<u>Affiliate</u>" means, with respect to any Person, any other Person that, directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, controls, or is controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person, and the term "control" (including the terms "controlled by" and "under common control with") means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management, affairs and policies of such Person, whether through ownership of voting securities, by Contract or otherwise.
- (d) "Alternative Transaction" means any transaction (or series of transactions), whether direct or indirect, whereby any Person or group of Persons (other than Purchaser and its Affiliates) acquires a material portion of the Acquired Assets and Liabilities of Sellers on a consolidated basis, in each case whether by merger, sale of assets or equity, recapitalization, plan of reorganization or otherwise. For the avoidance of doubt, the acquisition of one or more individual parcels of Acquired Real Property (by any Person other than by Purchaser and its Affiliates) shall constitute an Alternative Transaction. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a liquidation or wind-down of Sellers' estates shall not be an Alternative Transaction.
- (e) "<u>Antitrust Law</u>" means the Sherman Antitrust Act, the Clayton Antitrust Act, the HSR Act, the Federal Trade Commission Act, the Competition Act, the Canada Transportation Act, and all other Laws, in any jurisdiction, whether domestic or foreign, in each case that are designed or intended to (i) prohibit, restrict or regulate actions having the purpose or

effect of monopolization or restraint of trade or lessening of competition, or the creation or strengthening of a dominant position through merger or acquisition, or (ii) restrict, govern, control or regulate foreign investment or participation, including CFIUS, foreign direction investment (FDI), and similar Laws.

- (f) "ARC" means an advance ruling certificate issued by the Commissioner of Competition pursuant to subsection 102(1) of the Competition Act.
- (g) "<u>Auction</u>" shall have the meaning ascribed to such term in the Bidding Procedures Order.
- (h) "Bidding Procedures Order" means the Bankruptcy Court's Order (I)(A) Approving the Bidding Procedures For the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets, (B) Scheduling an Auction and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Scheduling a Sale Hearing and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (VI) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. __] in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit B**, together with such changes as are reasonably approved by each Party.
- (i) "<u>Business Day</u>" means any day other than a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which banks in New York City, New York, Toronto, Ontario, or Montreal, Quebec are authorized or required by Law to be closed.
- (j) "<u>Canadian Bidding Procedures Recognition Order</u>" means an Order of the Canadian Court pursuant to the CCAA recognizing and giving effect in Canada to the Bidding Procedures Order.
- (k) "<u>Canadian Sale Recognition Order</u>" means an Order of the Canadian Court pursuant to the CCAA, among other things, recognizing and giving effect in Canada to the Sale Order.
- (l) "<u>Canadian Seller</u>" means the YRC Freight Canada Company, a company organized under the laws of the province of Nova Scotia.
- (m) "<u>Commissioner of Competition</u>" means the Commissioner of Competition appointed pursuant to Subsection 7(1) of the Competition Act or his designee.
 - (n) "Competition Act" means the Competition Act (Canada).
- (o) "<u>Competition Act Approval</u>" means, in respect of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, the occurrence of one or more of the following: (i) the issuance of an ARC that has not been rescinded, or (ii) both of (A) the receipt of a No Action Letter, and (B) the expiry, waiver or termination of any applicable waiting periods under section 123 of the Competition Act.
- (p) "<u>Confidentiality Agreement</u>" means that certain Confidentiality Agreement, dated July 27, 2023, entered into between Purchaser and Yellow.

- (q) "<u>Consent</u>" means any approval, consent, ratification, permission, waiver or authorization, or an Order of the Bankruptcy Court or of the Canadian Court that deems or renders unnecessary the same.
- (r) "<u>Contract</u>" means any written contract, indenture, note, bond, lease, sublease, mortgage, agreement, guarantee, or other agreement that is legally binding upon a Person or its property, in each case, other than a purchase order, service order, or sales order.
- (s) "<u>COVID-19</u>" means SARS-CoV-2 or COVID-19, and any evolutions thereof or related or associated epidemics, pandemic or disease outbreaks.
- (t) "<u>COVID-19 Measures</u>" means any measures taken to comply with any quarantine, "shelter in place," "stay at home," workforce reduction, social distancing, shut down, closure, sequester or any other Law, Order, directive, guidelines or recommendations by any Governmental Body in connection with or in response to COVID-19, including, but not limited to, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES).
 - (u) "CTA" means the Canada Transport Act (Canada).
- (v) "<u>CTA Approval</u>" means the notification shall have been provided to the Minister of Transport pursuant to Section 53.1(1) of the CTA and: (a) the Minister of Transport has given notice to Purchaser pursuant to Section 53.1(4) of the CTA of his opinion that the notified transactions do not raise issues with respect to the public interest as it relates to national transportation; or (b) the Governor in Council has approved the notified transactions pursuant to Section 53.2(7) of the CTA.
- (w) "<u>Debt Financing</u>" means any debt financing incurred, including the public offering or private placement of debt securities, borrowing under revolving, long-term or bridge loans or other credit facilities, in each case by Purchaser or any of its subsidiaries in connection with the purchase of the Acquired Real Property.
- (x) "Documents" means all of Sellers' written files, documents, instruments, papers, books, reports, records, tapes, microfilms, photographs, letters, budgets, forecasts, plans, operating records, safety and environmental reports, data, studies, and documents, Tax Returns, ledgers, journals, title policies, customer lists, regulatory filings, operating data and plans, research material, technical documentation (design specifications, engineering information, test results, logic manuals, processes, flow charts, etc.), user documentation (installation guides, user manuals, training materials, release notes, working papers, etc.), marketing documentation (sales brochures, flyers, pamphlets, web pages, etc.), and other similar materials, in each case whether or not in electronic form.
- (y) "Employment Liability" shall mean any claim or Liability asserted against any Seller or its property under any Law (or common law) arising from or relating to the former, current or future employment of a Person by a Seller, whether pursuant to a contract, labor agreement, at-will arrangement or otherwise, as well as any claim asserting healthcare, pension, or other employment related benefits, whether asserted by an employee or former employee, a retiree or future retiree, any of the aforementioned Person's agent, assigns, custodians, heirs, or

representatives, a collective bargaining unit or union, any pension and/or retirement fund, or any other agent thereof.

- (z) "Encumbrance" means any lien (as defined in section 101(37) of the Bankruptcy Code), encumbrance, claim (as defined in section 101(5) of the Bankruptcy Code), Liability, charge, mortgage, deed of trust, option, pledge, security interest or similar interests, title defects, hypothecations, easements, rights of way, encroachments, Orders, conditional sale or other title retention agreements, special right pursuant to any Canadian provincial or federal lien acts, and other similar impositions, imperfections or defects of title or restrictions on transfer or use.
- (aa) "<u>Environmental Laws</u>" means all Laws concerning pollution, worker health and safety (solely to the extent relating to exposure of any natural Person to Hazardous Materials), or protection of the environment as enacted and in effect as of the date hereof.
- (bb) "<u>Equity Interests</u>" means, with respect to a Person, any membership interests, partnership interests, profits interests, capital stock or other equity securities (including profit participation features or equity appreciation rights, phantom stock rights or other similar rights) or ownership interests of such Person, or any securities (including debt securities or other indebtedness) exercisable or exchangeable for or convertible into, or other rights to acquire, membership interests, partnership interests, capital stock or other equity securities or ownership interests of such Person (or otherwise constituting an investment in such Person).
- (cc) "<u>Escrow Agreement</u>" means that certain Escrow Agreement, dated as of the date hereof, by and among Purchaser, Yellow and Acquiom Clearinghouse LLC, as escrow agent.
- (dd) "<u>Financing Sources</u>" means any underwriter, initial purchaser, initial lender, syndicate or other group engaged for any and all purposes of the Debt Financing, including the parties providing or arranging financing pursuant to any commitment letters, engagement letters, underwriting agreements, securities purchase agreements, sales agreements, indentures, credit or joint venture participations or other agreements entered pursuant thereto or relating thereto, together with their Affiliates, officers, directors, employees, agents, advisors, and representatives and their respective successors and assigns.
- (ee) "<u>GAAP</u>" means United States generally accepted accounting principles as in effect from time to time.
- (ff) "Governmental Authorization" means any Permit, license, certificate, approval, consent, permission, clearance, designation, qualification or authorization issued, granted, given or otherwise made available by or under the authority of any Governmental Body or pursuant to any Law.
- (gg) "<u>Governmental Body</u>" means any government, quasi-governmental entity, or other governmental or regulatory body, agency or political subdivision thereof of any nature, whether foreign, federal, provincial, territorial, state or local, or any agency, branch, department, official, entity, instrumentality or authority thereof, or any court of applicable jurisdiction.
- (hh) "<u>GST/HST</u>" means goods and services tax and harmonized sales tax imposed under Part IX under the Excise Tax Act (Canada).

- (ii) "<u>Hazardous Material</u>" means any material or substance that is defined as "hazardous", "toxic", a "contaminant", a "pollutant" or words of similar meaning under Environmental Laws or otherwise regulated under Environmental Laws due to its dangerous or deleterious properties or characteristics, including petroleum products or byproducts, friable asbestos or polychlorinated biphenyls.
- (jj) "<u>HSR Act</u>" means the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- (kk) "<u>Information Officer</u>" means Alvarez & Marsal Canada Inc. in its capacity as court-appointed Information Officer in the Canadian Recognition Proceedings.
- (ll) "<u>Information Officer's Certificate</u>" means the certificate of the Information Officer substantially in the form attached to the Canadian Sale Recognition Order.
- (mm) "<u>IRS</u>" means the Internal Revenue Service and any Governmental Body succeeding to the functions thereof.
- (nn) "Knowledge of Seller", "Knowledge of Sellers", or words of like import means the actual knowledge of each of Darren Hawkins (CEO), Derrel Harris (President), Dan Olivier (CFO), and Ruben Byerley (Manager Environmental Services) after reasonable inquiry of their applicable reports, without personal liability on the part of any of them.
- (00) "<u>Law</u>" means any federal, national, state, provincial, territorial, county, municipal, provincial, local, foreign or multinational, statute, constitution, common law, ordinance, code, decree, Order, rule, regulation, or requirement issued, enacted, adopted, promulgated, implemented or otherwise put into effect by or under the authority of any Governmental Body of competent jurisdiction.
- (pp) "<u>Liability</u>" means, as to any Person, any debt, adverse claim, liability, duty, responsibility, obligation, commitment, assessment, cost, expense, loss, expenditure, charge, fee, penalty, fine, contribution, or premium of any kind or nature whatsoever, whether known or unknown, asserted or unasserted, absolute or contingent, direct or indirect, accrued or unaccrued, liquidated or unliquidated, or due or to become due, and regardless of when sustained, incurred or asserted or when the relevant events occurred or circumstances existed.
- (qq) "<u>Material Adverse Effect</u>" means any matter, event, change, development, occurrence, circumstance or effect (each, an "<u>Effect</u>") that has a material adverse effect on the Acquired Assets and Assumed Liabilities, taken as whole; <u>provided</u> that none of the following (or consequences thereof), either alone or in combination, shall constitute, or be taken into account in determining whether or not there has been, a Material Adverse Effect: (i) any Effect in, arising from or relating to general business or economic conditions affecting the industry in which Sellers and their Subsidiaries operate or their respective business is conducted, including Effects arising from or relating to competition or ordinary course matters and other Effects within such industry, new entrants into such industry, new products from other participants in such industry, changes in product pricing due to such competition, changes in market share or financial results due to such competition, and other related changes resulting from such competition; (ii) Effects in, arising from or relating to national or international political or social conditions, including tariffs, riots,

protests, the engagement by the United States or other countries in hostilities or the escalation thereof, whether or not pursuant to the declaration of a national emergency or war, or the occurrence or the escalation of any military, cyber or terrorist (whether or not state-sponsored) attack upon the United States or any other country, or any of its territories, possessions, or diplomatic or consular offices or upon any military installation, asset, equipment or personnel of the United States or of any other country; (iii) Effects in, arising from or relating to any fire, flood, hurricane, earthquake, tornado, windstorm, other calamity or act of God, global or national health concern, epidemic, pandemic (whether or not declared as such by any Governmental Body), viral outbreak (including COVID-19 or the worsening thereof) or any quarantine or trade restrictions related thereto or any other force majeure; (iv) Effects in, arising from or relating to the decline or rise in price of any currency or any equipment or supplies necessary to or used in the provision of services by Sellers or their Subsidiaries (including any resulting inability to meet customer demands or fulfill purchase orders and any resulting breaches of Contracts); (v) Effects in, arising from, or relating to financial, banking, or securities markets (including (A) any disruption of any of the foregoing markets, (B) any change in currency exchange rates, (C) any decline or rise in the price of any security, commodity, Contract, or index, and (D) any increased cost, or decreased availability, of capital or pricing or terms related to any financing for the Transactions); (vi) Effects in, arising from or relating to changes in, GAAP or the interpretation thereof; (vii) Effects in, arising from or relating to changes in, Laws or other binding directives or determinations issued or made by or agreements with or consents of any Governmental Body (including, any such items related to Section 6.4) and any increase (or decrease) in the terms or enforcement of (or negotiations or disputes with respect to) any of the foregoing; (viii) Effects in, arising from or relating to (A) the taking of any action permitted or contemplated by this Agreement or at the request of Purchaser or its Affiliates, (B) the failure to take any action if such action is prohibited by this Agreement, (C) the compliance by an Party with the terms of this Agreement, including any action taken or refrained from being taken pursuant to or in accordance with this Agreement, or (D) the negotiation, announcement, or pendency of this Agreement or the Transactions, the identity, nature, or ownership of Purchaser or Purchaser's plans with respect to the Acquired Assets and Assumed Liabilities, including the impact thereof on the relationships, contractual or otherwise, of the business of Sellers or their Subsidiaries with employees, customers, lessors, suppliers, vendors, or other commercial partners or litigation arising from or relating to this Agreement or the Transactions; (ix) Effects in, arising from, or relating to any existing event, occurrence or circumstance that is publicly known or disclosed or with respect to which Purchaser has knowledge as of the date hereof, including any matter set forth in the Schedules; (x) Effects in, arising from or relating to any action required to be taken under any existing Contract to which Sellers or their Subsidiaries (or any of their assets or properties) is bound; (xi) Effects that arise from any seasonal fluctuations in the business of the Sellers or their Subsidiaries; (xii) any failure, in and of itself, to achieve any budgets, projections, forecasts, estimates, plans, predictions, performance metrics or operating statistics or the inputs into such items (whether or not shared with Purchaser or its Affiliates or Advisors) and any other failure to win or maintain customers or business; (xiii) the Effect of any action taken by Purchaser or its Affiliates with respect to the Transactions or the financing thereof or any breach by Purchaser of this Agreement; (xiv) the matters set forth on the Schedules and any changes or developments in, or Effects or results arising from or relating to, matters set forth on the Schedules; or (xv) (A) the commencement or pendency of the Bankruptcy Cases or the Canadian Recognition Proceedings; (B) any objections in the Bankruptcy Court or the Canadian Court, as applicable, to (1) this Agreement or any of the

Transactions, (2) the Sale Order, the Canadian Sale Recognition Order, or the reorganization or liquidation of Sellers or (3) the assumption or rejection of any Assigned Contract; or (C) any Order of the Bankruptcy Court, any Order of the Canadian Court, or any actions or omissions of Sellers in compliance therewith; provided that any adverse Effects resulting or arising from the matters described in clauses (i) through (vii) may be taken into account in determining whether there has been a Material Adverse Effect to the extent, and only to the extent, that they have a materially disproportionate adverse effect on the Sellers in the aggregate relative to similarly situated participants in the industries and geographic areas in which the Sellers operate (in which case only such incremental materially disproportionate adverse effect may be taken into account in determining whether there has been a Material Adverse Effect).

- (rr) "<u>No Action Letter</u>" means written confirmation from the Commissioner of Competition that he does not, at that time, intend to make an application under <u>Section 9.2</u> of the Competition Act.
- (ss) "Order" means any order, injunction, judgment, decree, ruling, writ, assessment or arbitration award of a Governmental Body of competent jurisdiction, including any order entered by the Bankruptcy Court in the Bankruptcy Cases (including the Sale Order) and any order entered by the Canadian Court in the Canadian Recognition Proceedings (including the Canadian Sale Recognition Order).
- (tt) "Ordinary Course" means the ordinary and usual course of operations of the business conducted by Sellers or their Subsidiaries, taking into account the contemplation, commencement and pendency of the Bankruptcy Cases and the Canadian Recognition Proceedings and past practice in light of the current pandemic, epidemic or disease outbreak (including COVID-19); provided that any action taken, or omitted to be taken, that relates to, or arises out of, any pandemic, epidemic or disease outbreak (including COVID-19) shall be deemed to be in the ordinary course of business.
- (uu) "Organizational Documents" means, with respect to any Person other than a natural person, the documents by which such Person was organized (such as a certificate of incorporation, certificate of formation, certificate of limited partnership or articles of organization, and including any certificates of designation for preferred stock or other forms of preferred equity) or which relate to the internal governance of such Person (such as bylaws, a partnership agreement or an operating, limited liability or members agreement).
- (vv) "Owned Real Property" means all land, together with all buildings, structures, improvements and fixtures located thereon, and all easements and other rights and interests appurtenant thereto, currently owned by a Seller.
- (ww) "Permits" means all licenses, permits, registrations, certifications, agreements, authorizations, Orders, certificates, qualifications, waivers, approvals, permissions, authorizations, and exemptions pending with or issued by Governmental Bodies, in each case, that is material to Seller and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.
- (xx) "Permitted Encumbrances" means (i) Encumbrances for utilities and Taxes not yet due and payable, being contested in good faith, or the nonpayment of which is permitted

or required by the Bankruptcy Code, (ii) easements, servitudes, rights of way, conditions, restrictive covenants, encroachments and similar non-monetary encumbrances or non-monetary impediments against any of the Acquired Assets which do not, individually or in the aggregate, adversely affect the operation in the ordinary course of the Acquired Assets, (iii) applicable zoning Laws, building codes, land use restrictions or Laws, Environmental Laws and other similar restrictions imposed by Law or by any Governmental Body having jurisdiction over such Acquired Real Property which are not violated by the current use or occupancy of such Acquired Real Property, as applicable, (iv) customary liens, rights and remedies of lessors, lessees, sublessors, sublessees, licensors or licensees arising under Assigned Contracts, (v) non-monetary Encumbrances in respect of all matters set forth on title insurance policies, opinions or surveys made available to Purchaser Group as of the date of this Agreement; (vi) only with respect to such Acquired Real Property located in Canada, any Encumbrances that are disclosed by registered or recorded title to each Acquired Real Property, as of the date of this Agreement and that will not be removed or released by operation of the Sale Order; (vii) any Encumbrances set forth on Schedule 11.1(xx), and (viii) solely prior to Closing, any Encumbrances that will be removed or released by operation of the Sale Order.

- (yy) "Permitted Exception" means each of the following: (i) as contemplated by this Agreement (including the Schedules) or the Bidding Procedures Order (including the Auction), (ii) as set forth on Schedule 6.1, (iii) to the extent related to the Bankruptcy Cases or the Canadian Recognition Proceedings, (iv) as required by applicable Law, Order or a Governmental Body (v) for limitations imposed by the Debtors' debtor-in-possession financing or use of cash collateral, (vi) as Sellers determine, in their reasonable judgment, may be necessary or desirable in light of COVID-19 (including to comply with or as a response to any COVID-19 Measures) or (vii) as consented to in writing by Purchaser (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld, delayed or conditioned, and failure to respond within five (5) Business Days of a request for consent shall be deemed to be consent).
- (zz) "<u>Person</u>" means an individual, corporation, partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, trust, unincorporated organization, organization, estate, third party, Governmental Body or other entity or group.
- (aaa) "<u>Purchaser Group</u>" means, with respect to Purchaser, Purchaser, any Designated Purchaser, any Affiliate of Purchaser or a Designated Purchaser, and each of their respective former, current or future Affiliates, officers, directors, employees, partners, members, managers, agents, Advisors, successors or permitted assigns.
- (bbb) "QST" means the Quebec sales tax imposed under An Act respecting the Québec sales tax (Quebec).
- (ccc) "<u>Sale Order</u>" means an Order of the Bankruptcy Court approving the Transactions, in form and substance reasonably acceptable to each of the Parties.
- (ddd) "<u>Securities Act</u>" means the Securities Act of 1933 and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

- (eee) "<u>Seller Parties</u>" means each Seller and its former, current, or future Affiliates, officers, directors, employees, partners, members, equityholders, controlling or controlled Persons, managers, agents, Advisors, successors or permitted assigns.
- (fff) "<u>Straddle Period</u>" means any taxable period that includes but does not end on the Closing Date.
- (ggg) "Subsidiary" or "Subsidiaries" means, with respect to any Person, any corporation, limited liability company or other entity of which a majority of the total voting power of shares of stock or other Equity Interests entitled (without regard to the occurrence of any contingency) to vote in the election of directors, managers or trustees or other governing body or Person thereof is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more of the other Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof or any partnership, association or other business entity of which a majority of the partnership or other similar ownership interest is at the time owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by such Person or one or more Subsidiaries of such Person or a combination thereof.
- (hhh) "Tax" or "Taxes" means all U.S. federal, Canadian federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, or non-U.S. taxes including any net income, gross receipts, capital stock, franchise, profits, ad valorem, value added, levies, duties, fees, imposts, import, export, withholding, non-resident, social security, governmental pension, employment insurance, unemployment, disability, workers compensation, real property, personal property, business, development, occupancy, stamp, excise, occupation, consumption sales, use, goods and services, harmonized sales, transfer, land transfer, duties on the transfer of immovables, conveyance, service, registration, premium, windfall or excess profits, customs, duties, licensing, surplus, alternative minimum, estimated, or other similar tax, including any interest, penalty, fines or addition thereto.
- (iii) "<u>Tax Code</u>" means the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- (jjj) "<u>Tax Return</u>" means any return, report or similar filing (including the attached schedules) filed or required to be filed with respect to Taxes, including any information return, claim for refund, or amended return.
- (kkk) "<u>Taxing Authority</u>" means any U.S. federal, Canadian federal, state, provincial, local, municipal, or foreign government, any subdivision, agency, commission or authority thereof or any quasi-governmental body exercising Tax regulatory authority.
- (Ill) "<u>Transaction Agreements</u>" means this Agreement and any other agreements, instruments or documents entered into pursuant to this Agreement.
- (mmm)"<u>Transactions</u>" means the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Transaction Agreements.
- (nnn) "Willful Breach" shall mean a deliberate act or a deliberate failure to act regardless of whether breaching was the conscious object of the act or failure to act.

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- 11.3 <u>Rules of Interpretation</u>. Unless otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, the following will apply to this Agreement, the Schedules and any other certificate, instrument, agreement or other document contemplated hereby or delivered hereunder.
- (a) The terms "hereof," "herein" and "hereunder" and terms of similar import are references to this Agreement as a whole and not to any particular provision of this Agreement. Section, clause, Schedule and exhibit references contained in this Agreement are references to sections, clauses, Schedules and exhibits in or to this Agreement, unless otherwise specified. All

Exhibits and Schedules annexed hereto or referred to herein are hereby incorporated in and made a part of this Agreement as if set forth in full herein. Any capitalized terms used in any Schedule or Exhibit but not otherwise defined therein shall be defined as set forth in this Agreement.

- (b) Whenever the words "include," "includes" or "including" are used in this Agreement, they will be deemed to be followed by the words "without limitation." Where the context permits, the use of the term "or" will be equivalent to the use of the term "and/or."
- (c) The words "to the extent" shall mean "the degree by which" and not simply "if."
- (d) When calculating the period of time before which, within which or following which any act is to be done or step taken pursuant to this Agreement, the date that is the reference date in calculating such period will be excluded. If the last day of such period is a day other than a Business Day, the period in question will end on the next succeeding Business Day.
- (e) Words denoting any gender will include all genders, including the neutral gender. Where a word is defined herein, references to the singular will include references to the plural and vice versa.
- (f) The word "will" will be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". The words "shall," "will," or "agree(s)" are mandatory, and "may" is permissive.
- (g) All references to "\$" and dollars will be deemed to refer to United States currency unless otherwise specifically provided.
- (h) All references to a day or days will be deemed to refer to a calendar day or calendar days, as applicable, unless otherwise specifically provided.
- (i) Any document or item will be deemed "delivered," "provided" or "made available" by Sellers, within the meaning of this Agreement if such document or item is (i) included in the Dataroom, (ii) actually delivered or provided to Purchaser or any of Purchaser's Advisors or (iii) made available upon request, including at Sellers' offices.
- (j) Any reference to any agreement or Contract will be a reference to such agreement or Contract, as amended, modified, supplemented or waived.
- (k) Any reference to any particular Bankruptcy Code or Tax Code section or any Law will be interpreted to include any amendment to, revision of or successor to that section or Law regardless of how it is numbered or classified; provided that, for the purposes of the representations and warranties set forth herein, with respect to any violation of or non-compliance with, or alleged violation of or non-compliance, with any Bankruptcy Code or Tax Code section or Law, the reference to such Bankruptcy Code or Tax Code section or Law means such Bankruptcy Code or Tax Code section or Law as in effect at the time of such violation or non-compliance or alleged violation or non-compliance.

- (l) A reference to any Party to this Agreement or any other agreement or document shall include such Party's successors and assigns, but only if such successors and assigns are not prohibited by this Agreement.
- (m) A reference to a Person in a particular capacity excludes such Person in any other capacity or individually.
- Certain Financing Provisions. Notwithstanding anything in this Agreement to the contrary, the Sellers, on behalf of themselves and the other Seller Parties, hereby: (a) agree that any suit, action or proceeding, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, directly involving the Financing Sources, arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the Financing or any of the agreements (including any applicable commitment letter) entered into in connection with the Financing or any of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby or the performance of any services thereunder shall be subject to the exclusive jurisdiction of any federal or state court in the County of New York, New York, so long as such forum is and remains available, and any appellate court thereof and each party hereto irrevocably submits itself and its property with respect to any such suit, action or proceeding to the exclusive jurisdiction of such court; (b) agree that any such suit, action or proceeding shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York (without giving effect to any conflicts of law principles that would result in the application of the laws of another state), except as expressly otherwise provided in any applicable commitment letter or other applicable definitive document relating to the Financing; (c) agree not to bring or support or permit any of its controlled Affiliates to bring or support any suit, action or proceeding of any kind or description, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise, against any Financing Source in any way arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the Financing, any commitment letter relating thereto or any of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby or the performance of any services thereunder in any forum other than any federal or state court in the County of New York, New York; (d) irrevocably waive, to the fullest extent that it may effectively do so, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such suit, action or proceeding in any such court; (e) knowingly, intentionally and voluntarily waive to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law trial by jury in any suit, action or proceeding brought against the Financing Sources in any way arising out of or relating to this Agreement, the Financing, any commitment letter relating thereto or any of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby or the performance of any services thereunder; (f) agree that none of the Financing Sources will have any liability to any of the Seller Parties relating to or arising out of this Agreement, the Financing, any commitment letter relating thereto or any of the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby or the performance of any services thereunder, whether in law or in equity, whether in contract or in tort or otherwise; and (g) agree that (and each other party hereto agrees that) the Financing Sources are express third party beneficiaries of, and may enforce, any of the provisions of this Section 11.4, and such provisions and the definitions of "Financing Sources", "Debt Financing" and "Financing" shall not be amended in any way adverse to the "Financing Sources" without the prior written consent of the Financing Sources.

[Signature pages follow.]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties have caused this Agreement to be executed by their respective duly authorized officers as of the date first above written.

PURCHASER:

ESTES EXPRESS LINES,

a Virginia corporation

By:

Name: ANGELA J. MAIDM GUT
Title: VICE MUSIDAY CORDUNTE REAL ESTATE
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By: Pariel L. Olivier	
Name: Daniel L. Olivier	
Title: Chief Financial Officer	
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Title: Chief Financial Officer

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EXHIBIT A

FORM OF ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

See attached.

ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT AND ASSUMPTION AGREEMENT (this "<u>Agreement</u>") dated as of [•], by and between USF Reddaway Inc., an Oregon corporation (the "<u>Assignor</u>"), and Estes Express Lines, a Virginia corporation ("<u>Assignee</u>"). Each capitalized term used, but not otherwise defined herein, shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in the APA.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Assignor and Assignee are parties to that certain Asset Purchase Agreement dated as of September 12, 2023, by and among Assignor, Assignee and certain other parties named therein (the "APA"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the APA, the Assignor has agreed to assign, and Assignee has agreed to assume, all of the Assignor's right, title and interest in and to, and certain obligations under, the Assigned Contract as set forth on Exhibit A attached hereto, all on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the APA.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties agree as follows:

- 1. The Assignor hereby irrevocably, fully, and unconditionally grants, transfers, sets over, conveys and assigns to Assignee all property all right, title and interest of the Assignor as tenant of the Assigned Contracts.
- 2. Assignee hereby accepts the foregoing assignment of the Assigned Contracts from and after the date hereof, and assumes the obligations thereunder first arising from and after the date hereof.
- 3. The Assignor agrees to indemnify, protect, hold harmless and, if requested by Assignee in Assignee's sole discretion, defend (with counsel of Assignee's choosing) Assignee, its successors and assigns, from any and all losses, costs, or liabilities to the extent arising out of or in connection with the Assigned Contracts existing or occurring before the Closing.
- 4. Assignee agrees to indemnify, protect, hold harmless and, if requested by the Assignor in Assignor's sole discretion, defend (with counsel of Assignor's choosing) the Assignor, its successors and assigns, from any and all losses, costs, or liabilities to the extent arising out of or in connection with the Assigned Contracts first existing or occurring on and after the Closing.
- 5. This Agreement and the obligations of the parties hereunder shall survive the closing of the transactions referred to in the APA and shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto, their respective legal representatives, successors and assigns.
- 6. This Agreement (a) may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and both of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument, (b) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State in which the

properties under the respective Acquired Properties is each located, and (c) may not be modified or amended except by written agreement signed by both parties.

- 7. If any action or proceeding is commenced by either party to enforce its rights under this Agreement, the substantially prevailing party in such action or proceeding shall be awarded all reasonable costs and expenses incurred in such action or proceeding, including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs (including the cost of in-house counsel and appeals), in addition to any other relief awarded by the court.
- 8. Nothing in this Agreement alters or amends any covenants, representations, warranties or indemnities set forth in the APA, all of which shall be independent of the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignor and Assignee have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first written above.

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By:		
Name:		
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Assignor and Assignee have caused this Agreement to be executed by their duly authorized representatives as of the date first written above.

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By: Name: Title:		

EXHIBIT A

1. Bomarc Land Lease dated October 1, 2001, by and between Snohomish County and USF Reddaway Inc. (as successor in interest).

EXHIBIT B

FORM OF BIDDING PROCEDURES ORDER

See attached.

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

) Re: Docket No. 22
Debtors.) (Jointly Administered)
YELLOW CORPORATION, et al.,1) Case No. 23-11069 (CTG)
In re:) Chapter 11

ORDER (I)(A) APPROVING BIDDING PROCEDURES FOR THE SALE OR SALES OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS; (B) SCHEDULING AUCTIONS AND APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF; (C) APPROVING ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT PROCEDURES, (D) SCHEDULING SALE HEARINGS AND APPROVING THE FORM AND MANNER OF NOTICE THEREOF; (II)(A) APPROVING THE SALE OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS FREE AND CLEAR OF LIENS, CLAIMS, INTERESTS AND ENCUMBRANCES AND (B) APPROVING THE ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES; AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion (the "<u>Motion</u>")² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>") for entry of an order (this "<u>Order</u>"), (a) authorizing and approving the Bidding Procedures attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u>, (b) approving Bid Protections, (c) establishing certain related dates and deadlines, (d) approving the form and manner of notice of the Auctions attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 2</u> (the "<u>Auction Notice</u>"), (e) approving the Assumption and

[.]

A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation. The location of Debtors' principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is: 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400, Overland Park, Kansas 66211.

Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion, the Bidding Procedures, or the Interim Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Obtain Postpetition Financing, (B) Use Cash Collateral, and (C) Grant Liens and Superpriority Administrative Expense Claims, (II) Granting Adequate Protection to Certain Prepetition Secured Parties, (III) Modifying the Automatic Stay, (IV) Scheduling a Final Hearing, and (V) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 302] (the "Interim DIP Order," together with the Final Order (as defined therein), the "DIP Orders") or the Interim UST Cash Collateral and Adequate Protection Order (I) Authorizing the Debtors to (A) Use UST Cash Collateral and All Other Prepetition UST Collateral, (II) Granting Adequate Protection, (III) Modifying the Automatic Stay, (IV Scheduling a Final Hearing, and (V) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. 303] (the "Interim UST Cash Collateral Order," together with the Final UST Cash Collateral Order (as defined therein), the "UST Cash Collateral Orders"), as applicable.

Assignment Procedures, including the notices of potential assumption and proposed cure amounts attached hereto as Exhibit 3 (the "Cure Notice"), (f) approving the form and manner of notice of the Winning Bidder(s) attached hereto as Exhibit 4 (the "Notice of Winning Bidder"), and (g) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and upon the Declaration of Cody Leung Kaldenberg in Support of the Debtors' Motion for Entry of an Order (I)(A) Approving Bidding Procedures for the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets; (B) Scheduling Auctions and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Approving Assumption and Assignment Procedures, (D) Scheduling Sale Hearings and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (II)(A) Approving the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief (the "Kaldenberg Declaration"); and the district court having jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1334, which was referred to this Court under 28 U.S.C. § 157 pursuant to the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate and no other or further notice need or shall be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at

a hearing before this Court on September [15], 2023 (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is **HEREBY FOUND AND DETERMINED THAT**:³

- 1. <u>Jurisdiction and Venue</u>. The Court has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This matter is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue is proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.B.
- 2. <u>Statutory and Legal Predicates</u>. The statutory and legal predicates for the relief requested in the Motion are sections 105(a), 363, 365, 503, and 507 of the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, 6006, 9007, 9008, and 9014 and Local Rules 2002-1, 6004-1, and 9006-1.C.
- 3. <u>Sale Process</u>. The Debtors and their advisors engaged pre-petition and post-petition, and continue to engage with, a number of potential interested parties to solicit and develop the highest and otherwise best offers for the Assets.
- 4. <u>Bidding Procedures</u>. The Debtors have articulated good and sufficient business reasons for the Court to approve the bidding procedures attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 1</u> (the "<u>Bidding Procedures</u>"). The Bidding Procedures are fair, reasonable and appropriate and are designed to maximize the value of the proceeds of one or more sales (each, a "<u>Sale Transaction</u>") of all or substantially all of the Debtors' assets (the "<u>Assets</u>"). The Bidding Procedures were negotiated in good faith and at arm's-length and are reasonably designed to promote a competitive

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The findings and conclusions set forth herein constitute the Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

and robust bidding process to generate the greatest level of interest in the Assets. The Bidding Procedures comply with the requirements of Local Rule 6004-1(c).

- 5. <u>Stalking Horse Bidder</u>. To the extent the Debtors select any Stalking Horse Bidder (as defined below) with respect to the Assets (as applicable), any Bid Protections (as defined in the Bidding Procedures) to the extent payable under any Stalking Horse Agreement (as defined below) shall be deemed an actual and necessary cost of preserving the Debtors' estates within the meaning of sections 503(b) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code and treated as an allowed administrative expense claim against the Debtors' estates pursuant to sections 503(b) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, in each case solely as approved in an order approving any Stalking Horse Supplement (as defined below).
- 6. Auction Notice. The Auction Notice, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit 2, is reasonably calculated to provide interested parties with timely and proper notice of the Auction(s) (if any) and Sale(s) with respect to the Assets, including, without limitation: (a) the date, time, and place of the Auction(s) (if any); (b) the Bidding Procedures; (c) reasonably specific identification of the Assets to be sold pursuant to the Bidding Procedures; and (d) a description of any Sale(s) pursuant to the Bidding Procedures as being free and clear of liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests (except as set forth in the applicable definitive Sale documentation), with all such liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests attaching with the same validity and priority to the applicable Sale proceeds, and no other or further notice of any Auction(s) (if any) and Sale(s) shall be required.
- 7. <u>Assumption and Assignment Provisions</u>. The Debtors have articulated good and sufficient business reasons for the Court to approve the assumption and assignment procedures set forth herein (the "Assumption and Assignment Procedures"), which are fair, reasonable, and

appropriate. The Assumption and Assignment Procedures comply with the provisions of section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rule 6006.

- 8. Notice of Winning Bidder. The Notice of Winning Bidder, substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit 3**, is reasonably calculated to provide interested parties with timely and proper notice of any proposed Sale(s) with respect to the Assets, including, without limitation: (a) the Winning Bidder(s) for the Assets (as applicable), (b) the Back-Up Bidder(s), if applicable, (c) the key terms of the proposed Sale(s), and (d) the date, time, and place of the Sale Hearing(s) (as applicable).
- 9. <u>Cure Notice</u>. The Cure Notice, the form of which is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 4</u>, is appropriate and reasonably calculated to provide all interested parties with timely and proper notice of the Assumption and Assignment Procedures, as well as any and all objection deadlines related thereto, and no other or further notice shall be required for the Motion and the procedures described therein (including the Assumption and Assignment Procedures), except as expressly required herein.
- Assignment and Assumption Procedures, and the Hearing was (i) appropriate and reasonably calculated to provide all interested parties with timely and proper notice, (ii) in compliance with all applicable requirements of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and the Local Rules and (iii) adequate and sufficient under the circumstances of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases, such that no other or further notice need or shall be required or provided except as set forth in the Bidding Procedures and the Assumption and Assignment Procedures. A reasonable opportunity to object and be heard regarding the relief granted herein has been afforded to all parties in interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

- 11. The Motion is GRANTED as set forth herein.
- 12. All objections to the relief granted in this order (the "Order") that have not been withdrawn, waived or settled, and all reservations of rights included therein, are hereby overruled and denied on the merits with prejudice.

A. The Bidding Procedures

- 13. The Bidding Procedures attached hereto as **Exhibit 1** are hereby approved, are incorporated herein by reference, and shall govern the Bids and proceedings related to any Sale(s) of the Assets and the Auction(s) (if any) in all respects. The procedures and requirements set forth in the Bidding Procedures, including those associated with submitting a "Qualified Bid," are fair, reasonable and appropriate, and are designed to maximize recoveries for the benefit of the Debtors' estates, creditors, and other parties in interests. The Debtors are authorized to take any and all actions necessary or appropriate to implement the Bidding Procedures.
- 14. The failure to specifically include or reference any particular provision of the Bidding Procedures in the Motion or this Order shall not diminish or otherwise impair the effectiveness of such procedures, it being the Court's intent that the Bidding Procedures are approved in their entirety, as if fully set forth in this Order.
- 15. Subject to this Order, the Bidding Procedures, the DIP Orders, and the UST Cash Collateral Orders,⁴ the Debtors, in the exercise of their reasonable business judgment and in a manner consistent with their fiduciary duties and applicable law, shall have the right to, in each case with respect to any Assets being sold pursuant to the Bidding Procedures and in consultation with the Consultation Parties (as set forth in the Bidding Procedures), (a) determine which

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Nothing contained in the Bidding Procedures or in this Bidding Procedures Order shall amend, waive, modify or extend the Milestones (as defined in the UST Cash Collateral Orders) and such Milestones shall remain in full force and effect.

Qualified Bid is the highest or otherwise best offer for the applicable Asset(s), (b) reject any Bid that the Debtors determine is (i) inadequate or insufficient, (ii) not in conformity with the requirements of the Bankruptcy Code or the Bidding Procedures, or (iii) contrary to the best interests of the Debtors' estates and their creditors, and (c) impose such other terms and conditions upon Qualified Bidders as the Debtors determine to be in the best interests of the Debtors' estates in these chapter 11 cases.

16. Subject to this Order, the Bidding Procedures, the DIP Orders, and the UST Cash Collateral Orders, the Debtors shall have the right, in their reasonable business judgment and in consultation with the Consultation Parties (as provided under the Bidding Procedures) and in a manner consistent with their fiduciary duties and applicable law, to modify the Bidding Procedures, including to, among other things, (a) extend or waive deadlines or other terms and conditions set forth therein, (b) adopt new rules and procedures for conducting the bidding and any Auction process, (c) if applicable, provide reasonable accommodations to a Stalking Horse Bidder, or (d) otherwise modify the Bidding Procedures to further promote competitive bidding for and maximizing the value of the Assets; provided that such extensions, waivers, new rules and procedures, accommodations and modifications (except as are consented to or otherwise approved or permitted in accordance with the Bidding Procedures) (i) do not conflict with and are not inconsistent with this Order, the Bidding Procedures, the DIP Orders, the UST Cash Collateral Orders, the Bankruptcy Code or any order of the Court, (ii) do not impair or modify, in any material respect, the rights and obligations of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder under the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA or otherwise violate the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA or affect the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder in a manner that would reasonably be expected to have a material and adverse effect on the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder that is disproportionate to the Real

Estate Stalking Horse Bidder as compared to the effect on other Qualified Bidders for the Owned Properties subject of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA generally, and (iii) are as promptly as practicable communicated to each Qualified Bidder or at the applicable Auction (if any).

17. If the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, determine not to conduct an Auction for Assets (as applicable), then the Debtors shall file a notice with the Court of such determination within one (1) business day of making such determination.

B. The Stalking Horse Bid and Bid Protections.

The Debtors shall be authorized, but not obligated, in an exercise of their reasonable 18. business judgment and with the consent of the Consultation Parties, (a) to select one or more Qualified Bidders to act as stalking horse bidders in connection with any Sale Transaction (each, a "Stalking Horse Bidder," and any such bid (as applicable), each a "Stalking Horse Bid") and enter into a purchase agreement with respect to any such Sale Transaction with such Stalking Horse Bidder (each such agreement, a "Stalking Horse Agreement"); and (b) in connection with any Stalking Horse Agreement with a Stalking Horse Bidder, to agree to the Bid Protections; provided that the aggregate of the Breakup Fee and the total Expense Reimbursements shall in no event exceed three percent (3%) of the applicable cash Purchase Price; provided further that all expenses to be reimbursed to the Stalking Horse Bidder from the Debtors' estates must be documented, with such documentation provided to the Debtors, the Consultation Parties (including each of their respective counsel and advisors (as set forth in the Bidding Procedures), and the U.S. Trustee, who will have a 10-day review period upon receipt of such expense documentation. If there is an objection to any portion of the expenses by such parties during that time, such disputed portion of the expenses shall not be paid until the objection is resolved consensually or

by the Court, with the remaining undisputed portion of the expenses paid as otherwise set forth herein.

- 19. Except for a Stalking Horse Bidder to the extent of the Bid Protections provided to any such Stalking Horse Bidder (including the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder and Bid Protections provided thereto), no person or entity participating in the Debtors' sale process under the Bidding Procedures shall be entitled to any expense reimbursement, break-up fees, "topping" fees, termination fees, or other fees, payments, or reimbursements whatsoever in connection with any Bid, preparation thereof, or participation at the Auction(s) (if any) or generally under the Bidding Procedures; and, by submitting a Bid, such person or entity shall be deemed to have forever waived its right to request or to file with the Court any request for allowance or payment of any such expense reimbursement or fee(s), whether by virtue of section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise.
- 20. Any deposit provided by a Stalking Horse Bidder or other Qualified Bidder (as required under the Bidding Procedures and/or any Stalking Horse Agreement) shall be held in escrow by the Debtors or their agent and shall not become property of the Debtors' bankruptcy estates unless and until released from escrow to the Debtors pursuant to the terms of the Bidding Procedures, the applicable escrow agreement, or an order of the Court.
- 21. The Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, may select a Stalking Horse Bidder (or Stalking Horse Bidders, as applicable) as the stalking horse purchaser (a "Stalking Horse") for substantially all of the Debtors' assets or any grouping or subset of the Assets. In such instance(s), the Debtors shall file a supplement to the Motion (the "Stalking Horse Supplement") seeking approval of the same, providing no less than three (3) business days' notice of the deadline to object to the approval of the Stalking Horse Bid (including any proposed Bid

Protections) to (i) the U.S. Trustee, (ii) and the Consultation Parties and (iii) those parties who have filed the appropriate notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002 requesting notice of all pleadings filed in the Chapter 11 Cases (the "Stalking Horse Notice Parties") with no other or further notice regarding the Stalking Horse, the Stalking Horse Bid, or the Bid Protections being required; provided that any Stalking Horse Supplement will (a) set forth the identity of the Stalking Horse (and if the Stalking Horse Bidder is a newly formed entity, then the Stalking Horse's parent company or sponsor), (b) set forth the amount of the Stalking Horse Bid, and, if the Stalking Horse is a credit bidder, what portion of its bid is a credit bid and what portion (if any) is cash; (c) state whether the Stalking Horse has any connection to the Debtors other than those that arise from the Stalking Horse bid, (d) specify any proposed Bid Protections, (e) attach the purchase agreement finalized with the Stalking Horse or otherwise summarize the material terms thereof; and (f) set forth the deadline to object to the Stalking Horse designation and any related Bid Protections. For the avoidance of doubt, this Order does not make any findings or grant approval of any Bid Protections, including the granting of any break-up fees; any such Bid Protections, including any break-up fees, sought in connection with any Stalking Horse Bid shall be included in and subject to the approval by the Court of the Stalking Horse Supplement and otherwise acceptable to the Consultation Parties. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding the foregoing, Court approval of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder and the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA (each as defined in the Bidding Procedures) will be sought pursuant to a separate motion and order.

22. Objections to the designation of a Stalking Horse Bidder or any of the terms of a Stalking Horse bid (including any proposed Bid Protections for such Stalking Horse Bidder) (a "Stalking Horse Objection") shall (a) be in writing, (b) comply with the Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules, and Local Bankruptcy Rules, (c) state, with specificity, the legal and factual

bases thereof and (d) be filed with the Court and served on the Notice Parties (as defined below) within three (3) business days after the service of the Stalking Horse Supplement.

23. If a timely Stalking Horse Objection is filed, the Debtors will schedule a hearing regarding such Stalking Horse Objection as soon as reasonably practicable seeking approval of such Stalking Horse Bid and in accordance with this Order and the Bidding Procedures. If no timely Stalking Horse Objection is filed and served with respect to the Stalking Horse Bid, upon the expiration of the objection deadline, the Debtors will submit a proposed order to the Court approving the Stalking Horse Bid (including the Stalking Horse Agreement and the Bid Protections), which the Court may enter without a hearing and any further or other notice except as required herein or under the Bidding Procedures, including with respect to any Bid Protections set forth in the Stalking Horse Supplement. For the avoidance of doubt, no determination is made in this Order with regard to authorizing any Bid Protections. For the avoidance of doubt and notwithstanding the foregoing, Court approval of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder and the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA will be sought pursuant to a separate motion and order.

C. Important Dates and Deadlines.

24. The following dates and deadlines are hereby approved:

ROLLING STOCK TIMELINE

Date and Time	Event or Deadline
October 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (E.T.)	Bid Deadline for Rolling Stock
October 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. (E.T.)	Auction(s) (if required) for Rolling Stock Begin
October 23, 2023	Notice of Winning Bidder(s) for Rolling Stock
October 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (E.T.)	Sale Objection Deadline for Winning Bid(s) for Rolling Stock
October 27, 2023 at [•] [a/p].m.] (E.T.) (subject to Court availability)	Sale Hearing as to Winning Bid(s) (or Back-Up Bid(s), as applicable) for Rolling Stock

Date and Time	Event or Deadline
As soon as practicable following Sale Hearing (and in no event later than November 3, 2023)	Sale Consummation for UST Rolling Stock
As soon as practicable following Sale Hearing ⁵	Sale Consummation for B-2 Rolling Stock

REAL ESTATE (AND ALL OTHER ASSETS) TIMELINE

Date and Time	Event or Deadline
November 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (ET)	Bid Deadline for Non-Rolling Stock Assets (incl. Real Property Assets, Intellectual Property, and Other Assets)
November 27, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. (ET)	Auction(s) (if required) for Non-Rolling Stock Assets Begin
December 1, 2023	Notice of Winning Bidder(s) (and Back-Up Bidder(s), as applicable) for Non-Rolling Stock Assets
December 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (ET)	Sale Objection Deadline for Winning Bid(s) (or Back- Up Bid(s), as applicable) for Non-Rolling Stock Assets
December 12, 2023 at [•] [a/p].m.] (E.T.) (subject to Court availability)	Sale Hearing as to Winning Bid(s) (or Back-Up Bid(s), as applicable) for Non-Rolling Stock Assets
As soon as practicable following Sale Hearing	Sale Consummation for Non-Rolling Stock Assets

25. The deadline by which Bids must be <u>actually received</u> by the Debtors and their advisors (as set forth in the Bidding Procedures) is: (a) with respect to the Rolling Stock, **October**13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on (the "Rolling Stock Bid Deadline"); and (b) with respect to the Real Property Assets, Intellectual Property, and Other Assets (each as

Consistent with the DIP Orders and the UST Cash Collateral Orders, the deadline for consummation of Sales of Assets constituting Prepetition B-2 Priority Collateral (January 3, 2024) may be extended to February 2, 2024 with the consent of the Prepetition ABL Agent, the Prepetition B-2 Agent, and the Prepetition UST Secured Parties (in each case not to be unreasonably withheld) and with the consent of the Junior DIP Lender in its sole discretion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Debtors intend to consummate such Sale(s) as soon as practicable following the applicable Sale Hearing.

defined in the Bidding Procedures), **November 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)** (the "Non-Rolling Stock Bid Deadline," and together with the Rolling Stock Deadline, each as applicable, the "Bid Deadline").

- 26. Each Acceptable Bidder participating at an Auction, if any, shall be required to confirm that it has not engaged in any collusion with respect to any bidding (including preparing or submitting its Bid(s)) or any Sale Transaction, as set forth in the Bidding Procedures; and the Auction, if any, shall be transcribed or otherwise recorded.
- 27. The Debtors shall file with the Court notice of the identity of the Winning Bidder(s) (as applicable), the amount of the Winning Bid(s) (as applicable) and, if the Winning Bidder (as applicable) is a credit bidder, what portion of its bid is a credit bid and what portion (if any) is cash, by: (a) with respect to the Rolling Stock, **October 23, 2023**; and (b) with respect to the Non-Rolling Stock Assets, **December 1, 2023**. If the Winning Bidder is a special purpose entity, the notice shall also identify the entity or entities that are its primary equity holders, or otherwise control, the special purpose entity.
- 28. If an Auction is needed and held (a) for the Rolling Stock, such Auction shall commence on **October 18, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.** (**prevailing Eastern Time**) and (b) for the Non-Rolling Stock Assets, such Auction shall commence on **November 27, 2023 at 2:30 p.m.** (**prevailing Eastern Time**), in each case unless otherwise rescheduled by the Debtors (with prior notice to the applicable Qualified Bidders) in consultation with the Consultation Parties. Any Auction held will be conducted via remote video or in-person at the Debtors' election after consultation with the Consultation Parties. The Debtors shall provide Qualified Bidders with notice of the date, time, and place of the applicable Auction (if any) no later than two (2) business days before such Auction; *provided* that such notice will be provided to Qualified Bidders no later

than five (5) business days before such Auction in the event the Auction (a) will take place inperson outside of New York City, New York, or (b) will not be conducted via remote video (or with a remote video option). As set forth more fully in the Bidding Procedures, only Qualified Bidders shall be entitled to bid for the applicable Assets at the applicable Auction (if any).

29. Objections to the proposed order(s) approving any Winning Bid(s) (or Back-Up Bid(s), as applicable) (each, a "Sale Order," and such objections, "Sale Objections") must be made on or before: (a) in the case of the Rolling Stock, October 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the, "Rolling Stock Sale Objection Deadline"); and (b) in the case of the Non-Rolling Stock Assets, December 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) (the "Non-Rolling Stock Sale Objection Deadline," and together with the Rolling Stock Sale Objection Deadline, each as applicable, the "Sale Objection Deadline"). All Sale Objections must: (a) be in writing; (b) conform to the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules and the Bankruptcy Local Rules; (c) state with particularity the legal and factual basis for the Sale Objection and the specific grounds therefor; and (d) be filed with the Court and served so as to be actually received no later than the applicable Sale Objection Deadline by the following parties (the "Notice Parties"):

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Sale Objections regarding Canadian Assets shall also be served upon the Debtors' Canadian counsel, Goodmans LLP, Bay Adelaide Centre – West Tower, 333 Bay Street, Suite 3400, Toronto, ON M5H 2S7 (Attn: Robert Chadwick (rchadwick@goodmans.ca) and Caroline Descours (cdescours@goodmans.ca).

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- 30. If any party fails to timely file with the Court and serve a Sale Objection by the applicable Sale Objection Deadline or otherwise abide by the procedures set forth in the Bidding Procedures regarding an objection to any Sale Transaction(s), such party shall be barred from asserting, at the applicable Sale Hearing (as defined below) or otherwise, any objection to the relief requested in the Motion or to the consummation and performance of the applicable Sale Transaction(s), including the transfer of the applicable Asset(s) to the applicable Winning Bidder(s) free and clear of all liens, claims, interests, and encumbrances pursuant to section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code, and shall be deemed to "consent" to such Sale Transaction(s) for purposes of section 363(f) of the Bankruptcy Code.
- 31. The Court will hold a hearing to consider approval of the Sale Transaction(s) contemplated by each Winning Bid (or Back-Up Bid(s)). With respect to any Winning Bid(s) (or Back-Up Bid(s)) (a) for the Rolling Stock, the hearing will be held on **October 27, 2023 at [_]:[_]**

[a./p.]m. (prevailing Eastern Time) and (b) for the Non-Rolling Stock Assets, the hearing will be held on **December 12, 2023 at [_]:[_] [a./p.]m.** (prevailing Eastern Time) (each, as applicable, the "Sale Hearing"). The applicable Sale Hearing may be adjourned by announcement in open Court or on the Court's calendar without any further notice required.

E. Credit Bidding

- 32. Subject to the terms and conditions of the DIP Orders and the UST Cash Collateral Orders, any bidder holding a perfected security interest in any of the Assets (excluding the Junior DIP Secured Parties) may seek to credit bid all or a portion of such bidder's claims for its respective collateral in accordance with section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code (each such bid, a "Credit Bid"); provided that such Credit Bid shall comply with the terms of the Bidding Procedures.
- The Junior DIP Agent and the Junior DIP Lender have expressly waived any right to credit bid the Junior DIP Obligations (including the Additional Junior DIP Loans (if any are drawn)). In each case to the extent permitted by the Prepetition Intercreditor Agreement, but subject in all respects to the challenge period as set forth in the DIP Orders, (i) the Prepetition ABL Agent (on behalf, and at the direction, of the requisite Prepetition ABL Lenders pursuant to the Prepetition ABL Credit Agreement) shall have the right to credit bid, subject to section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, (x) up to the full amount of the Prepetition ABL Obligations and (y) the ABL Adequate Protection Obligations in the sale or other disposition of any assets of the Debtors, including, without limitation, sales occurring pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, in each case, pursuant to a plan of reorganization or liquidation or by a chapter 7 trustee in a chapter 7 proceeding of ABL Priority Collateral, (ii) the B-2 Agent (on behalf, and at the direction, of the B-2 Lenders pursuant to the Postpetition B-2 Credit Agreement) shall have the unqualified and unconditional right to credit bid, subject to section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, (x) up to the full amount of the B-2

Obligations and (y) the B-2 Adequate Protection Obligations in the sale or other disposition of any assets of the Debtors, including, without limitation, sales occurring pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, in each case, pursuant to a plan of reorganization or liquidation or by a chapter 7 trustee in a chapter 7 proceeding of Prepetition B-2 Priority Collateral, and (iii) the Prepetition UST Agent, or any assignee or designee of the Prepetition UST Agent, at the direction of the Prepetition UST Lenders pursuant to the Prepetition UST Credit Agreements and on behalf of the Prepetition UST Lenders, shall have the unqualified and unconditional right to credit bid, subject to section 363(k) of the Bankruptcy Code, (x) up to the full amount of the Prepetition UST Secured Obligations and (y) the UST Adequate Protection Obligations, in the sale or other disposition of any assets of the Debtors, including, without limitation, sales occurring pursuant to section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, in each case, pursuant to a plan of reorganization or liquidation or by a chapter 7 trustee in a chapter 7 proceeding, and each Prepetition ABL Secured Party, B-2 Secured Party, and Prepetition UST Secured Party complying with the foregoing shall automatically be deemed a "qualified bidder" (and Acceptable Bidder (as defined in the Bidding Procedures)) with respect to any disposition of assets by the Debtors under or pursuant to (a) section 363 of the Bankruptcy Code, (b) a plan of reorganization or plan of liquidation under section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code, or (c) a sale or disposition by a chapter 7 trustee for any of the Debtors under section 725 of the Bankruptcy Code; provided, that, no party shall be permitted to credit bid for Prepetition ABL Priority Collateral until such time that the Prepetition ABL Parties have been indefeasibly paid in full in cash (or cash collateralized (as applicable). The Prepetition ABL Agent at the direction of the requisite Prepetition ABL Lenders pursuant to the Prepetition ABL Credit Agreement and on behalf of the Prepetition ABL Lenders, the B-2 Agent at the direction of the B-2 Lenders and on behalf of the B-2 Lenders, and the Prepetition UST Agent at the direction of the Prepetition UST Lenders and on behalf of the

Prepetition UST Lenders shall have the absolute right to assign, sell, or otherwise dispose of its right to credit bid to any acquisition entity or joint venture formed in connection with such bid.

G. Notice of Sale Transaction

- 34. The Auction Notice, substantially in the form attached to this Order as **Exhibit 2**, is approved with respect to any Auction which may be held under the Bidding Procedures. Within three (3) business days of the entry of this Order, the Debtors shall cause the Auction Notice, the Motion, this Order, and all of this Order's exhibits and schedules to be served upon parties in interest and posted on the Debtors' restructuring webpage at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation (or such other applicable URL) (the "Case Webpage").
- 35. Within three (3) business days after entry of this Order or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter, the Debtors shall place a publication version of the Auction Notice for one day in *The New York Times* (national edition) and *The Globe and Mail*, and post it onto the Case Webpage. Such notice shall be deemed sufficient and proper notice of the Bidding Procedures, the Sale(s) and the Auction(s) (if any) with respect to known interested parties and no other or further notice shall be required.
- 36. Within two (2) business days after the conclusion of the applicable Auction (if any), or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter and in accordance with the Bidding Procedures, the Debtors will file on the docket the Notice of Winning Bidder substantially in the form attached to this Order as **Exhibit 4**.

H. Assumption and Assignment Procedures.

37. The Assumption/Assignment Procedures below are hereby approved in all respects and shall be the procedures by which the Debtors will notify any counterparties (the "Contract Counterparties") to executory contracts and unexpired leases with the Debtors (the "Contracts")

of proposed cure amounts in the event the Debtors determine to assume and assign such Contracts in connection with any Sale Transaction. Nothing in this Order shall be deemed to limit the Debtors' ability to negotiate partial assumption and/or assumption and assignment of Contracts with Contract Counterparties on a consensual basis.

- a. <u>Cure Notice</u>. No later than fourteen (14) days prior to the Cure Objection Deadline, the Debtors shall file with the Court and serve via first class mail, electronic mail, or overnight delivery, the Cure Notices, attached hereto as <u>Exhibit 3</u>, on the Contract Counterparties, and post the Cure Notice to the case website https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation.
- b. Content of Cure Notice. The Cure Notice shall notify the applicable Contract Counterparties that the Contracts may be subject to assumption and assignment in connection with the Sale, and contain the following information: (i) a list of the applicable Contracts that may be assumed or assumed and assigned in connection with the Sale (the "Assigned Contracts," and each individually, an "Assigned Contract"); (ii) the applicable Contract Counterparties; (iii) the Debtors' good faith estimates of the proposed amount necessary to cure all monetary defaults, if any, under each Assigned Contract (the "Cure Costs"); and (iv) the deadline by which any Contract Counterparty to an Assigned Contract must file an objection to the proposed assumption, assignment, cure, and/or adequate assurance and the procedures relating thereto (the "Cure Objection"); provided that service of a Cure Notice does not constitute an admission that such Assigned Contract is an executory contract or unexpired lease or that such Assigned Contract will be assumed at any point by the Debtors or assumed and assigned pursuant to any Winning Bid.
- c. <u>Cure Objections</u>. Cure Objections, if any, to a Cure Notice must: (i) be in writing; (ii) comply with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, and any order governing the administration of these chapter 11 cases; (iii) state with specificity the nature of the objection and, if the Cure Objection pertains to the proposed Cure Costs, state the cure amount alleged to be owed to the objecting Contract Counterparty, together with any applicable and appropriate documentation in support thereof; *provided* that the Debtors may modify the Cure Objection Deadline by filing a notice of such modification on the Court's docket.
- d. <u>Effects of Filing a Cure Objection</u>. A properly filed Cure Objection will reserve such objecting party's rights against the Debtors only with respect to the assumption and assignment of the Assigned Contract at issue, and/or objection to the accompanying Cure Costs, as set forth in the Cure Objection, but will not constitute an objection to the remaining relief requested in the Sale Order.
- e. <u>Dispute Resolution</u>. Any Cure Objection to the assumption or assumption and assignment of an Assigned Contract or Cure Costs that remains unresolved after the Sale Hearing shall be heard at such later date as may be agreed upon by the

parties or fixed by the Court. To the extent that any Cure Objection cannot be resolved by the parties, such Contract shall be assumed and assigned only upon satisfactory resolution of the Cure Objection, to be determined in the Winning Bidder's reasonable discretion. To the extent a Cure Objection remains unresolved, the Contract may be conditionally assumed and assigned, subject to the consent of the Winning Bidder, pending a resolution of the Cure Objection after notice and a hearing. If a Cure Objection is not satisfactorily resolved, the Winning Bidder may determine that such Contract should not be assumed and assigned, in which case the Winning Bidder will not be responsible for any Cure Costs in respect of such contract. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Cure Objection relates solely to the Cure Costs (any such objection, a "Cure Dispute"), the applicable Assigned Contract may be assumed by the Debtors and assigned to the Winning Bidder provided that the cure amount the Contract Counterparty asserts is required to be paid under section 365(b)(1)(A) and (B) of the Bankruptcy Code (or such lower amount as agreed to by the Contract Counterparty) is deposited in a segregated account by the Debtors pending the Court's adjudication of the Cure Dispute or the parties' consensual resolution of the Cure Dispute.

- f. <u>Supplemental Cure Notice</u>. If the Debtors discover Contracts inadvertently omitted from the Cure Notice or the Winning Bidder identifies other Contracts that it desires to assume or assume and assign in connection with the Sale, the Debtors may, after consultation with the Winning Bidder, at any time before the closing of the Sale supplement the Cure Notice with previously omitted Contracts or modify a previously filed Cure Notice, including by modifying the previously stated Cure Costs associated with any Contracts (the "<u>Supplemental Cure Notice</u>").
- g. Objection to the Supplemental Cure Notice. Any Contract Counterparty listed on the Supplemental Cure Notice may file an objection (a "Supplemental Cure Objection") only if such objection is to the proposed assumption or assumption and assignment of the applicable Contracts or the proposed Cure Costs, if any, modified by the Supplemental Cure Notice. All Supplemental Cure Objections must: (i) state, with specificity, the legal and factual basis for the objection as well as what Cure Costs are required, if any; (ii) include appropriate documentation in support thereof; and (iii) be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on the date that is twenty-one (21) days following the date of service of such Supplemental Cure Notice, which date will be set forth in the Supplemental Cure Notice.
- h. <u>Dispute Resolution of Supplemental Cure Objection</u>. If a Contract Counterparty files a Supplemental Cure Objection in a manner that is consistent with the requirements set forth above, and the parties are unable to consensually resolve the dispute, the Debtors shall seek an expedited hearing before the Court to determine the Cure Costs, if any, and approve the assumption of the relevant Contracts. If there is no such objection, then the Debtors shall obtain an order of this Court fixing the Cure Costs and approving the assumption of any Contract listed on a Supplemental Cure Notice. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Supplemental Cure Objection relates solely to a Cure Dispute, the applicable Assigned Contract may

be assumed by the Debtors and assigned to the Winning Bidder provided that the cure amount the Contract Counterparty asserts is required to be paid under section 365(b)(1)(A) and (B) of the Bankruptcy Code (or such lower amount as agreed to by the Contract Counterparty) is deposited in a segregated account by the Debtors pending the Court's adjudication of the Cure Dispute or the parties' consensual resolution of the Cure Dispute.

I. Miscellaneous.

- 38. All persons and entities that participate in the applicable Auction (if any) or bidding for any Asset(s) during the sale process under the Bidding Procedures shall be deemed to have knowingly and voluntarily (i) consented to the core jurisdiction of the Court to enter any order related to the Bidding Procedures, the applicable Auction(s) (if any) or any other relief requested in the Motion or granted in this Order, (ii) waived any right to a jury trial in connection with any disputes relating to the Bidding Procedures, the Auction or any other relief requested in the Motion or granted in this Order, and (iii) consented to the entry of a final order or judgment in connection with any disputes relating to the Bidding Procedures, the Auction or any other relief requested in the Motion or granted in this Order, if it is determined that the Court would lack Article III jurisdiction to enter such a final order or judgment absent the consent of the relevant parties.
- 39. The Debtors are authorized to take all steps and pay all amounts necessary or appropriate to implement the relief granted in this Order.
- 40. This Order shall be binding on the Debtors and its successors and assigns, including any chapter 7 or chapter 11 trustee or other fiducially appointed for the estates of the Debtors.
- 41. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).
- 42. To the extent any provisions of this Order are inconsistent with the Motion, the terms of this Order shall control. To the extent any provisions of this Order are inconsistent with the Bidding Procedures, the terms of this Order shall control.

- 43. Nothing contained in the Motion or this Order, and no action taken pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with this Order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount, validity or priority of, or basis for any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim, other priority claim or otherwise of a type specified or defined in the Motion or this Order; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors' estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action or other rights of the Debtors or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.
- 44. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.
- 45. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 46. The Debtors are authorized to make non-substantive changes to the Bidding Procedures, the Assumption and Assignment Procedures, and any related documents without further order of the Court, including, without limitation, changes to correct typographical and grammatical errors.

- 47. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.
- 48. This Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over any and all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and/or enforcement of this Order.

EXHIBIT 1

Bidding Procedures

EXHIBIT 2

Auction Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

)
In re:) Chapter 11
YELLOW CORPORATION, et al.,1) Case No. 23-11069 ()
Debtors.) (Joint Administration Requested)

NOTICE OF AUCTIONS FOR THE SALE OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

On September [•], 2023, the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") entered the Order (I)(A) Approving the Bidding Procedures For the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets, (B) Scheduling Auctions and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Scheduling Sale Hearings and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. [•]] (the "Order"), authorizing the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") to market and conduct an auction or auctions (if any) (each, an "Auction," and collectively the "Auctions") to sell the Assets free and clear of liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests (except as may be set forth in the applicable definitive Sale documentation), with all such liens, claims, encumbrances, and other interests attaching with the same validity and priority to the applicable Sale proceeds. The Auction(s) (if any) will be governed by the bidding procedures approved pursuant to the Order and attached to the Order as Exhibit 1 thereto (the "Bidding Procedures").

Copies of the Order, the Bidding Procedures, and other documents related thereto, are available upon visiting the Debtors' restructuring website at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation.

Any person or entity who wishes to participate in the Auction(s) must comply with the participation requirements, bid requirements, and other requirements set forth in the Bidding Procedures. The Bid Deadline for the Rolling Stock (as defined in the Bidding Procedures) is October 13, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) and for the Non-Rolling Stock Assets (e.g., Real Property Assets, Intellectual Property, and Other Assets (each as defined in the Bidding Procedures) is November 9, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

The Debtors intend to conduct one or more Auctions (if required) at which Auction(s) (if any) they will consider Qualified Bids (as defined in the Bidding Procedures) submitted to the Debtors and their advisors, by and pursuant to the Bidding Procedures and as set forth in the Order. With respect to the Assets

A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation. The location of Debtors' principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is: 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400, Overland Park, Kansas 66211.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Order or the Bidding Procedures, as applicable.

constituting Rolling Stock (as defined in the Bidding Procedures), the Debtors intend to commence the Auction (if required) on October 18, 2023, at 10 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), either in-person or by videoconference or such other form of remote communication established by the Debtors (to be communicated to Qualified Bidders in advance); and, with respect to the Assets constituting Non-Rolling Stock Assets (e.g., Real Property Assets, Intellectual Property, and Other Assets (each as defined in the Bidding Procedures)), the Debtors intend to commence the Auction (if required) on November 27, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) either in-person or by videoconference or such other form of remote communication established by the Debtors (to be communicated to Qualified Bidders in advance).

The Sale Hearing to consider approval of the Sale(s) of Assets constituting Rolling Stock to the Winning Bidder(s) at the applicable Auction will be held before the Honorable Craig T. Goldblatt, at the Court, at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 824 North Market Street, 3rd Floor, Courtroom #7, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, on October 27, 2023, at [●] [a/p].m. (prevailing Eastern Time). The Sale Objection Deadline to object to the Winning Bid(s) (and Back Up Bid(s), as applicable) with respect to the Rolling Stock is October 25, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

The Sale Hearing to consider approval of the Sale(s) of the Assets constituting Non-Rolling Stock Assets (e.g., Real Property Assets, Intellectual Property, and Other Assets) to the Winning Bidder(s) at the applicable Auction will be held before the Honorable Craig T. Goldblatt, at the Court, at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 824 North Market Street, 3rd Floor, Courtroom #7, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, on **December 12, 2023, at [●] [a/p].m. (prevailing Eastern Time)**. The Sale Objection Deadline to object to the Winning Bid(s) (and Back Up Bid(s), as applicable) with respect to the Non-Rolling Stock Assets is **December 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time)**.³

The Debtors reserve the right to modify the Bidding Procedures in consultation with the Consultation Parties in accordance with the Bidding Procedures and the Order.

All requests directed to the Debtors in connection with the foregoing, or for further information regarding the Bidding Procedures and participation therein, or for further information regarding the Assets, must be directed to: yellow@ducerapartners.com. All Potential Bidders (as defined in the Bidding Procedures) are instructed to review the Bidding Procedures in consultation with counsel.

Upon any Sale of Assets located in Canada or otherwise held by Debtors domiciled in Canada (collectively, the "<u>Canadian Assets</u>"), the Foreign Representative will seek recognition of the applicable Sale Order(s) of the Canadian Assets in the Canadian Court, which recognition shall be a condition to closing such Sale(s), as soon as practicable after the Court's entry of the applicable Sale Order(s) (subject to the availability of the Canadian Court). Further information and documentation (including pleadings) regarding the Canadian Assets can be accessed at https://www.alvarezandmarsal.com/YRCFreightCanada.

EXHIBIT 3

Notice of Winning Bidder

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

)
In re:) Chapter 11
YELLOW CORPORATION, et al.,1) Case No. 23-11069 ()
Debtors.) (Joint Administration Requested)
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NOTICE OF WINNING BIDDER AND BACK-UP BIDDER FOR CERTAIN OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

On September [•], 2023, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") entered the Order (I)(A) Approving the Bidding Procedures For the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets, (B) Scheduling Auctions and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Scheduling Sale Hearings and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. [•]] (the "Order"),² by which the Court approved procedures setting forth the process by which the Debtors are authorized to conduct a marketing and auction process for the sale or sales (each, a "Sale") of substantially all of the Debtors' assets (the "Assets") through one or more sale transactions (each, a "Sale Transaction").

On October 18, 2023 at 10 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), pursuant to the Order, the Debtors commenced the Auction with respect to certain Assets (constituting Rolling Stock (as defined in the Bidding Procedures)) either in-person or by videoconference or such other form of remote communication established by the Debtors.

At the conclusion of the Auction, the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, selected the following Winning Bidder and Back-Up Bidder with respect to the Assets subject to the applicable Auction.

Asset(s)	Winning Bidder	Back-Up Bidder	Proposed Bid Protections	Key Terms of Proposed Sale

A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation. The location of Debtors' principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is: 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400, Overland Park, Kansas 66211.

² Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Order or the Motion, or the Bidding Procedures, as applicable.

The Sale Hearing to consider approval of the Sale of the above-listed Assets to the Winning Bidder(s) at the Auction referenced above will be held before the Honorable Craig T. Goldblatt, at the Court, at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 824 North Market Street, 3rd Floor, Courtroom #7, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, on October 27, 2023, at [●] [a/p].m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

At the Sale Hearing, the Debtors will seek the Court's approval of the Winning Bid(s) and Back-Up Bid(s) (if any) for the applicable Assets. Unless the Court orders otherwise, the Sale Hearing shall be an evidentiary hearing on matters relating to the Sale(s) for the applicable Assets, and there will be no further bidding at the Sale Hearing. If a Winning Bidder cannot or refuses to consummate the applicable Sale Transaction following entry of the applicable Sale Order because of the breach or failure on the part of the Winning Bidder, the Back-Up Bidder (if any) shall be deemed the new Winning Bidder and the Debtors shall be authorized, but not required, to close the applicable Sale Transaction(s) with such Back-Up Bidder(s) on the terms and provisions of such applicable Back-Up Bid(s) without further order of the Court or notice necessary to any party.

This notice is subject to the terms and conditions of the Motion and the Order, with such Order controlling in the event of any conflict, and the Debtors encourage parties in interest to review such documents, including the Bidding Procedures, in their entirety. Parties interested in receiving additional or other information regarding the proposed Sale(s), proposed Sale Transaction(s), or other disposition of the applicable Assets may make a written request to Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("Epiq") (the notice and claims agent retained in these chapter 11 cases) or by calling (866)-641-1076.

Copies of the Motion, the Order, the Bidding Procedures, this notice, and any other related documents are available: (a) upon request to Epiq by calling (866)-641-1076; (b) by visiting the Debtors' restructuring website at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation; or (c) for a fee via PACER by visiting https://pacer.uscourts.gov.

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re:) Chapter 11
YELLOW CORPORATION, et al.,3) Case No. 23-11069 ()
Debtors.) (Joint Administration Requested)

NOTICE OF WINNING BIDDER AND BACK-UP BIDDER FOR CERTAIN OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS

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On November 27, 2023 at 2:30 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), pursuant to the Order, the Debtors commenced the Auction with respect to certain Assets (constituting Non-Rolling Stock Assets (as defined in the Bidding Procedures)) either in-person or by videoconference or such other form of remote communication established by the Debtors.

At the conclusion of the Auction, the Debtors, in consultation with the Consultation Parties, selected the following Winning Bidder and Back-Up Bidder with respect to the Assets subject to the applicable Auction.

Asset(s)	Winning Bidder	Back-Up Bidder	Proposed Bid Protections	Key Terms of Proposed Sale

A complete list of each of the Debtors in these chapter 11 cases may be obtained on the website of the Debtors' proposed claims and noticing agent at https://dm.epiq11.com/YellowCorporation. The location of Debtors' principal place of business and the Debtors' service address in these chapter 11 cases is: 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400, Overland Park, Kansas 66211.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Order or the Motion, or the Bidding Procedures, as applicable.

The Sale Hearing to consider approval of the Sale of the above-listed Assets to the Winning Bidder(s) at the Auction referenced above will be held before the Honorable Craig T. Goldblatt, at the Court, at the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware, 824 North Market Street, 3rd Floor, Courtroom #7, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, on <u>December 12, 2023, at [●] [a/p].m. (prevailing Eastern Time)</u>.

At the Sale Hearing, the Debtors will seek the Court's approval of the Winning Bid(s) and Back-Up Bid(s) (if any) for the applicable Assets. Unless the Court orders otherwise, the Sale Hearing shall be an evidentiary hearing on matters relating to the Sale(s) for the applicable Assets, and there will be no further bidding at the Sale Hearing. If a Winning Bidder cannot or refuses to consummate the applicable Sale Transaction following entry of the applicable Sale Order because of the breach or failure on the part of the Winning Bidder, the Back-Up Bidder (if any) shall be deemed the new Winning Bidder and the Debtors shall be authorized, but not required, to close the applicable Sale Transaction(s) with such Back-Up Bidder(s) on the terms and provisions of such applicable Back-Up Bid(s) without further order of the Court or notice necessary to any party.

This notice is subject to the terms and conditions of the Motion and the Order, with such Order controlling in the event of any conflict, and the Debtors encourage parties in interest to review such documents, including the Bidding Procedures, in their entirety. Parties interested in receiving additional or other information regarding the proposed Sale(s), proposed Sale Transaction(s), or other disposition of the applicable Assets may make a written request to Epiq Corporate Restructuring, LLC ("Epiq") (the notice and claims agent retained in these chapter 11 cases) or by calling (866)-641-1076.

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EXHIBIT 4

Cure Notice

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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In re:) Chapter 11
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YELLOW CORPORATION, et al.,1) Case No. 23-11069 ()
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Debtors.) (Joint Administration Requested)
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NOTICE OF POTEN	ITIAL ASSUMPTION OR

NOTICE OF POTENTIAL ASSUMPTION OR ASSUMPTION AND ASSIGNMENT OF CERTAIN CONTRACTS OR LEASES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE OF THE FOLLOWING:

On September [•], 2023, United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware (the "Court") entered the Order (I)(A) Approving the Bidding Procedures For the Sale or Sales of the Debtors' Assets, (B) Scheduling Auctions and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (C) Scheduling Sale Hearings and Approving the Form and Manner of Notice Thereof; (II)(A) Approving the Sale of the Debtors' Assets Free and Clear of Liens, Claims, Interests and Encumbrances and (B) Approving the Assumption and Assignment of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases; and (III) Granting Related Relief [Docket No. [•]] (the "Order"),² by which the Court approved procedures for the assumption or assumption and assignment of executory contracts and unexpired leases and granted related relief, as set forth in the Order.

Pursuant to the Order and by this notice (this "<u>Cure Notice</u>"), the Debtors hereby notify you that they have determined, in the exercise of their reasonable business judgment, that each executory contract or unexpired lease set forth on <u>Schedule 1</u> attached hereto (the "<u>Potential Assumption List</u>") may be assumed (and, if applicable, assigned) effective as of the date (the "<u>Assumption Date</u>") set forth in <u>Schedule 1</u> or such other date as the Debtors and the counterparty or counterparties to such executory contracts or unexpired leases may agree.

The Debtors believe that the party to which each applicable executory contract or unexpired lease may be assigned has the financial wherewithal to meet all future obligations under such contract or lease and the Debtors will, at the request of the applicable counterparty, use commercially reasonable efforts to provide evidence thereof to such applicable counterparty (and their counsel, if known) thereby demonstrating that the assignee of the contract or lease has the ability to comply with the requirements of adequate assurance of future performance.

Parties objecting to the proposed assumption and assignment (including a Winning Bidder's proposed form of adequate assurance of future performance) must file and serve a written objection (each, a "<u>Cure Objection</u>") so that such objection is filed with the Court and **actually received by the following**

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parties no later than [•], 2023, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) with respect to the Auction for the Bids (the "Cure Objection Deadline"): (a) the Debtors, Yellow Corporation, 11500 Outlook Street, Suite 400, Overland Park, Kansas 66211, Attn.: General Counsel; (b) proposed counsel to the Debtors (i) Kirkland & Ellis LLP, 300 North LaSalle, Chicago, Illinois, 60654, Attn.: Whitney Fogelberg (whitney.fogelberg@kirkland.com) (ii) Kirkland & Ellis LLP, 601 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York 10022, Attn.: Allyson B. Smith (allyson.smith@kirkland.com) and Aaron Metviner (aaron.metviner@kirkland.com); and (iii) Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP, 919 North Market Street, 17th Floor, PO Box 8705, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, Attn: Laura Davis Jones (ljones@pszjlaw.com), Timothy P. Cairns (tcairns@pszjlaw.com), Peter J. Keane (pkeane@pszjlaw.com), and Edward Corma (ecorma@pszjlaw.com); (c) the Office of the United States Trustee for the District of Delaware, 844 King Suite 2207, Lockbox 35, Wilmington, Delaware 19801, Attn.: (jane.m.leamy@usdoj.gov) and Richard Schepacarter (richard.schepacarter); (d) counsel to the Creditors' Committee, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, One Bryant Park, Bank of America Tower, New York, NY 10036-6745 US, Attn: Philip C. Dublin (pdublin@akingump.com), Meredith A. Lahaie (mlahaie@akingump.com). Stephen B. Kuhn (skuhn@akingump.com). and Kevin Zuzolo (kzuzolo@akingump.com); (e) counsel to the Junior DIP Lender, Quinn Emmanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, 865 S. Figueroa St., 10th Floor, Los Angeles, $\mathsf{C}\mathsf{A}$ 90017, Attn: Eric Winston (ericwinston@guinnemanuel.com); 51 Madison Avenue, 22nd Floor, New York, NY 10010, Attn: Susheel Kirplani (susheelkirpalani@quinnemanuel.com); Ropes & Gray LLP, 191 North Wacker Drive, 32nd Floor, Chicago, IL 60606, Attn: Lucas S. Smith (Luke.Smith@ropesgray.com); 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036, Attn: Natasha S. Hwangpo (Natasha.Hwangpo@ropesgray.com); (f) counsel to the Junior DIP Agent, Holland & Knight LLP, 50 N. Riverside Plaza, Suite 2700, Chicago IL 60606, Attn. Joshua M. Spencer (Joshua.Spencer@hklaw.com) and Phillip W. Nelson (Phillip.Nelson@hklaw.com); (g) counsel to the B-2 Lenders, White & Case LLP, 1221 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York 10020 Attn: Scott Greissman (sgreissman@whitecase.com), Elizabeth Feld (efeld@whitecase.com), and Andrew Zatz (azatz@whitecase.com); (h) counsel to the Prepetition ABL Agent, Choate, Hall & Stewart LLP, Two International Place, Boston, MA 02110, Attn: Kevin Simard (ksimard@choate.com) and Hampton Foushee (hfoushee@choate.com); (i) counsel to the B-2 Agent, Holland & Knight LLP, 50 N. Riverside Plaza, Suite 2700, Chicago IL 60606, Attn. Joshua M. Spencer (Joshua.Spencer@hklaw.com) and Phillip W. Nelson (Phillip.Nelson@hklaw.com); (i) counsel to the Prepetition UST Tranche A Agent, Hogan Lovells US LLP, 390 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10017, Attn: Ronald J. Silverman and Christopher R. Bryant; (k) counsel to the Prepetition UST Tranche B Agent, Hogan Lovells US LLP, 390 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10017, Attn: Ronald J. (ronald.silverman@hoganlovells.com) Silverman and Christopher (chris.bryant@hoganlovells.com); and (1) counsel to the United States Department of the Treasury, Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP, 70 West Madison Street, Suite 4200, Chicago, Illinois 60602, Attn: Michael Messersmith (michael.messersmith@arnoldporter.com), 250 West 55th Street, New York, New York 10019, Attn: Benjamin Mintz (benjamin.mintz@arnoldporter.com), and 601 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20001, Attn: Rosa Evergreen (rosa.evergreen@arnoldporter.com).

Absent a Cure Objection being timely filed, the assumption of each executory contract or unexpired lease may become effective on the Assumption Date set forth in **Schedule 1**, or such other date as the Debtors and the counterparty or counterparties to such executory contract or unexpired lease may agree.

If an objection is timely filed and not withdrawn or resolved, such objection will be heard at the Sale Hearing or such other date and time as agreed to by the Debtors and the objecting party or ordered by the Court. If such objection is overruled or withdrawn, the applicable executory contract or unexpired lease shall be assumed as of the Assumption Date set forth in **Schedule 1** or such other date as the Debtors and the counterparty or counterparties to such executory contract unexpired lease may agree.

Schedule I

Potential Assumption List

Exhibit B

Proposed Order

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

) Re: Docket No
Debtors.) (Jointly Administered)
YELLOW CORPORATION, et al.,1) Case No. 23-11069 (CTG)
In re:) Chapter 11

ORDER (I) APPROVING THE DEBTORS' SELECTION OF A STALKING HORSE BIDDER, (II) APPROVING BID PROTECTIONS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, (III) AND GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion (the "Motion")² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an order (this "Order"), (a) approving Estes Express Lines as the stalking horse bidder (the "Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder") for the sale of the Acquired Assets (as defined in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA) and (b) approving the Estes Bid Protections in connection therewith, and (c) granting related relief all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and upon the Stalking Horse Declaration; and the district court having jurisdiction under 28 U.S.C. § 1334, which was referred to this Court under 28 U.S.C. § 157 pursuant to the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the District of Delaware, dated February 29, 2012; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2); and this Court having found that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper

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pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor,

FOUND, CONCLUDED AND DETERMINED THAT:3

- A. This Court has jurisdiction to consider the Motion under 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334. This is a core proceeding under 28 U.S.C. § 157(b). Venue of these cases and this Motion in this District is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409. The legal predicates for the relief requested in the Motion are Bankruptcy Code sections 105, 363, 365, 503, and 507. Such relief is also warranted pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002, 6004, 6006(a), and 9014.
- B. The relief granted herein is in the best interests of the Debtors, their estates and other parties in interest.
- C. The Debtors have articulated good and sufficient business reasons for the Court to (i) approve the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder as the highest and otherwise best offer currently available for the Acquired Assets (as defined in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA) and (ii)

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The findings and conclusions set forth herein constitute this Court's findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 7052, made applicable to this proceeding pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 9014. To the extent any of the following findings of fact constitute conclusions of law, they are adopted as such. To the extent any of the following conclusions of law constitute findings of fact, they are adopted as such.

approve the payment of the Breakup Fee and Expense Reimbursement (each as defined in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, collectively, the "Estes Bid Protections") to the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder in accordance with the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA.

D. The Debtors have demonstrated that the Estes Bid Protections are actual and necessary costs and expenses of preserving the Debtors' estates, within the meaning of section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, and commensurate to the real and substantial benefits conferred upon the Debtors' estates by the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder by inducing the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder's Bid for the Acquired Assets, which has established a bid standard or minimum for other bidders for the Acquired Assets, thereby ensuring that during the Auction, if any, the Debtors receive the highest or best Bid possible for the Acquired Assets. The Debtors have also demonstrated that the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder required the Estes Bid Protections set forth in the Motion and the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA as a condition to agreeing to be the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder for the Acquired Assets, such Estes Bid Protections are reasonable and appropriate in light of the size and nature of the proposed sale and comparable transactions, the commitments and accommodations of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder that have been made for the benefit of the Debtors' estates, and the efforts that have been and will be expended by the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder. The Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder has thus provided a material benefit to the Debtors, their estates and creditors by increasing the likelihood that the best possible purchase price for the Acquired Assets will be realized. Accordingly, the Estes Bid Protections are fair, reasonable and appropriate, and necessary to facilitate a competitive, value-maximizing sale for the benefit of the Debtors' estates.

- E. Due, sufficient, and adequate notice of the hearing on the Motion and the relief requested in the Motion and the relief granted herein has been given in light of the circumstances and the nature of the relief requested, and no other or further notice thereof is or shall be required.
- F. The Estes Bid Protections (i) shall be deemed an actual and necessary cost of preserving the Debtors' estates within the meaning of section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code; (ii) are of substantial benefit to the Debtors' estates; (iii) are reasonable and appropriate, including in light of the size and nature of the proposed Transaction under the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA and the efforts expended by the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder in negotiating and ultimately offering the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA; and (iv) enable the Debtors to promote a sale or sales of the Acquired Assets with the greatest benefit, and proceeds for the Acquired Assets, to the estate.
- G. The Estes Bid Protections were negotiated by the Debtors and the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder in good faith and at arms-length.
- H. The Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder is not an "insider" or "affiliate" of any of the Debtors, as those terms are defined in section 101 of the Bankruptcy Code, and no common identity of directors, officers or controlling stockholders exists among the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder and the Debtors. The Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder and its counsel and advisors have acted in "good faith" within the meaning of section 363(m) of the Bankruptcy Code in connection with the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder's negotiations of the Estes Bid Protections and the Bidding Procedures and entry into the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED THAT:

1. The Motion is GRANTED, as set forth herein.

- 2. Any objections filed in response to the Motion and the relief granted herein, to the extent not resolved as set forth herein or at the hearing on the Motion, are hereby overruled.
- 3. Notwithstanding any procedure set forth in the Bidding Procedures Order, Estes Express Lines (the "Estes") shall be the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder for the Acquired Assets.
- 4. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to sections 105(a) and 363(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, to enter into and perform under the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, subject to higher and/or better Bids regarding the Acquired Assets in accordance with the Bidding Procedures.
- 5. The Debtors are authorized to perform all obligations of the Debtors set forth in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA that are intended to be performed prior to the applicable Sale Hearing for the Acquired Assets and prior to the entry of the applicable Sale Order for the Acquired Assets, subject to the terms of the Bidding Procedures.
- 6. Notwithstanding anything in the Bidding Procedures Order to the contrary, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105, 363 and 503, the Estes Bid Protections are hereby approved and the Debtors are hereby authorized to pay the Estes Bid Protections to the Stalking Horse Bidder pursuant to the terms of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA. The obligation to pay the Estes Bid Protections to the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder (i) shall be entitled to administrative expense claim status under sections 503(b)(1)(A) and 507(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code; (ii) shall not be subordinate to any other administrative expense claim against the Debtors' estates, (iii) shall not be altered, amended, discharged, or affected by any chapter 11 plan proposed or confirmed in these Chapter 11 Cases without the prior written consent of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder, (iv) shall not be subject to any bar date in these Chapter 11 Cases or any requirement to file any request for allowance of an administrative expense claim or proof of claim;

and (v) the Debtors' obligation to pay the Estes Bid Protections, including the Breakup Fee and Expense Reimbursement, shall survive termination of the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA and dismissal or conversion of these Chapter 11 Cases.

- 7. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Bidding Procedures Order: (i) the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder shall be deemed a Qualified Bidder and the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder's Bid as set forth in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA is a Qualified Bid under the Bidding Procedures and (ii) if the Debtors furnish to any Acceptable Bidder for the Acquired Assets any material information related to the Debtors not theretofore given to the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder, then the Debtors shall as promptly as practicable provide the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder any such information.
- 8. Except with respect to the rights and claims of the Real Estate Stalking Horse Bidder as set forth in the Real Estate Stalking Horse APA, including without limitation the Estas Bid Protections, nothing contained in the Motion or this Order, and no action taken pursuant to the relief requested or granted (including any payment made in accordance with this Order), is intended as or shall be construed or deemed to be: (a) an admission as to the amount, validity or priority of, or basis for any claim against the Debtors under the Bankruptcy Code or other applicable nonbankruptcy law; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party in interest's right to dispute any claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication, admission or finding that any particular claim is an administrative expense claim, other priority claim or otherwise of a type specified or defined in the Motion or this Final Order; (e) a request or authorization to assume, adopt, or reject any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) an admission as to the validity, priority, enforceability or perfection of any lien on, security interest in, or other encumbrance on property of the Debtors'

estates; or (g) a waiver or limitation of any claims, causes of action or other rights of the Debtors or any other party in interest against any person or entity under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law.

- 9. The Debtors are hereby authorized and empowered to take such actions as may be necessary to implement and effect the terms and requirements established by this Order.
- 10. This Order shall constitute findings of fact and conclusions of law and shall take effect immediately upon execution hereof.
- 11. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.
- 12. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rules 6004(h) and 6006(d), the terms and conditions of this Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 13. This Court shall retain jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation or interpretation of this Order. To the extent there is any conflict between the terms of this Order and the terms of the Bidding Procedures Order, the terms of this Order shall control.