UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 14, 2011

GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

001-33988

26-0405422

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

814 Livingston Court Marietta, Georgia 30067

(Address of principal executive offices)

(770) 644-3000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On April 14, 2011, Graphic Packaging Holding Company (the "Company") entered into an underwriting agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") with Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the underwriters named therein (the "Underwriters"). Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, the Company agreed to sell 47,000,000 shares of its common stock, \$0.01 par value per share ("Common Stock"), at a public offering price of \$4.75 per share (\$4.54 per share, net of underwriting discounts). In addition, pursuant to the terms of the Underwriting Agreement, the Company has granted the Underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to 7,050,000 additional shares of Common Stock. The Underwriting Agreement contains customary representations and warranties of the parties and indemnification and contribution provisions whereby the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, have agreed to indemnify each other against certain liabilities and will contribute to payments the other party may be required to make in respect thereof.

The foregoing description of the Underwriting Agreement does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the full text of the Underwriting Agreement, which is attached as Exhibit 1.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- 1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated April 14, 2011, among the Company and Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representatives of the underwriters named therein.
- 5.1 Opinion of Alston & Bird LLP.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: April 20, 2011

By: <u>/s/ Stephen A. Hellrung</u> Stephen A. Hellrung

Stephen A. Hellrung Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

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Graphic Packaging Holding Company

47,000,000 SHARES OF COMMON STOCK

UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT

dated April 14, 2011

Goldman, Sachs & Co. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated J.P. Morgan Securities LLC Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated

Underwriting Agreement

April 14, 2011

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 200 West Street New York, NY 10282

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

As Representatives of the several Underwriters

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Introductory. Graphic Packaging Holding Company, a Delaware corporation (the "**Company**"), proposes to (i) issue and sell to the several underwriters named in <u>Schedule A</u> hereto (the "**Underwriters**," which term shall also include any underwriter substituted as hereinafter provided in Section 10 hereof), for whom you (the "**Representatives**") are acting as the representatives, the shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, of the Company (**Common Stock**") set forth in <u>Schedule A</u> hereto and (ii) grant to the Underwriters, acting severally and not jointly, the option described in Section 2(b) hereof to purchase all or any part of 7,050,000 additional shares of Common Stock to cover overallotments, if any. The aforesaid 47,000,000 shares of Common Stock (the "**Initial Securities**") to be purchased by the Underwriters and all or any part of the 7,050,000 shares of Common Stock subject to the option described in Section 2(b) hereof (the "**Optional Securities**") are herein called, collectively, the "**Securities**."

1. Representations and Warranties. The Company represents and warrants to, and agrees with, each of the Underwriters as of the date hereof that:

(a) The Company has prepared and filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the **'Commission**'') a registration statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-166324), which contains a base prospectus (the **'Base Prospectus**''), to be used in connection with the public offering and sale of the Securities. Such registration statement, as amended, including the financial statements, exhibits and schedules thereto, at the time of effectiveness under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the **'Securities Act**''), including any required information deemed to be a part thereof at the time of effectiveness pursuant to Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder (collectively, the **'Registration Statement**.' Any registration statement filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act and after the date and time of filing of the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement.'' and from and after the date and time of filing of the Rule 462(b) Registration Statement. Any preliminary prospectus supplement relating to

the Securities that is filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b), together with the Base Prospectus, is hereafter called a **'Preliminary Prospectus**.'' The term **'Prospectus**'' shall mean the final prospectus supplement relating to the Securities that is first filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) after the date and time that this Agreement is executed and delivered by the parties hereto, including the Base Prospectus. Any reference herein to the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include the documents incorporated by reference therein pursuant to Item 12 of Form S-3 under the Securities Act; any reference to any amendment or supplement to any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after the date of such Preliminary Prospectus, as the case may be, under the Exchange Act, and incorporated by reference to any amendment to the Registration Statement shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after the date of such Preliminary Prospectus, as the case may be, under the Exchange Act, and incorporated by reference to any amendment to the Registration Statement shall be deemed to refer to and include any annual report of the Company filed pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act after the effective date of the Registration Statement that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement prior to the termination of the offering of the securities by the Underwriters; and any reference to any amendment to the Registration Statement that the date of the Registration Statement prior to the termination of the offering of the Securities by the Underwriters; and any reference to any amendment to the Registration Statement shall be deemed to refer to and include any documents filed after the effective date of the Registration Statement that is incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement prior to the termination of the offering of the Securities by th

(b) Compliance with Registration Requirements. The Company meets the requirements for use of Form S-3 under the Securities Act. The Registration Statement became effective on July 1, 2010 under the Securities Act. No stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement is in effect, the Commission has not issued any order or notice preventing or suspending the use of the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus and no proceedings for such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act have been instituted or are pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, are contemplated or threatened by the Commission.

Each of the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus when filed complied in all material respects with the Securities Act. Each of the Registration Statement and any post-effective amendment thereto, at each time of effectiveness, at the date hereof and at the Closing Time, complied and will comply in all material respects with the Securities Act and did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, as of its date, at the time of any filing pursuant to Rule 424(b) and, at the Closing Time, did not and will not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact or omits of a material fact or omit to state a material fact or omit to state a material fact or omit to

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The documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package (as defined herein) and the Prospectus, when they were filed with the Commission conformed in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act. Any further documents so filed and incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus or any further amendment or supplement thereto, when such documents are filed with the Commission will conform in all material respects to the requirements of the Exchange Act. All documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, as of their respective dates, when taken together with the other information in the Prospectus, at the Closing Time, did not or will not include an untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

(c) *Disclosure Package*. The term **"Disclosure Package**" shall mean (i) the Preliminary Prospectus, (ii) the issuer free writing prospectuses as defined in Rule 433 of the Securities Act (each, an **"Issuer Free Writing Prospectus"**), if any, identified on <u>Schedule D</u> hereto, (iii) any other free writing prospectus that the parties hereto shall hereafter expressly agree in writing to treat as part of the Disclosure Package and (iv) the information identified on <u>Schedule D</u> hereto. As of 5:20 p.m. (Eastern time) on the date of this Agreement (the "**Applicable Time**"), the Disclosure Package did not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The preceding sentence does not apply to statements in or omissions from the Disclosure Package based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by or on behalf of any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.

(d) Company Not Ineligible Issuer. (i) At the earliest time after the filing of the Registration Statement relating to the Securities that the Company or another offering participant made a *bona fide* offer (within the meaning of Rule 164(h)(2) of the Securities Act) and (ii) as of the Applicable Time (with such date being used as the determination date for purposes of this clause (ii)), the Company was not and is not an "ineligible issuer" (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act), without taking account of any determination by the Commission pursuant to Rule 405 of the Securities Act that it is not necessary that the Company be considered an "ineligible issuer."

(e) *Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses*. Each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, as of its issue date and at all subsequent times through the completion of the offering of Securities under this Agreement or until any earlier date that the Company notified or notifies the Representatives as described in the next sentence, did not, does not and will not include any information that conflicted, conflicts or will conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus. If at

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any time following issuance of an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus there occurred or occurs an event or development as a result of which such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus conflicted or would conflict with the information contained in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, the Company has promptly notified or will promptly notify the Representatives and has promptly amended or supplemented or will promptly amend or supplement, at its own expense, such Issuer Free Writing Prospectus to eliminate or correct such conflict. Any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus not identified on <u>Schedule D</u> hereto, when taken together with the Disclosure Package, did not, and at the Closing Time and the relevant Date of Delivery (if any) will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading. The foregoing three sentences do not apply to statements in or omissions from any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus based upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by any Underwriter through the Representatives specifically for use therein, it being understood and agreed that the only such information furnished by any Underwriter consists of the information described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.

(f) Distribution of Offering Material by the Company. The Company has not distributed or will not distribute, prior to the later of the Closing Time and the completion of the Underwriters' distribution of the Securities, any offering material in connection with the offering and sale of the Securities other than the Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus and any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus reviewed and consented to by the Representatives.

(g) No Applicable Registration or Other Similar Rights There are no persons with registration or other similar rights to have any equity or debt securities registered for sale under the Registration Statement or included in the offering contemplated by this Agreement, except for such rights as have been duly waived.

(h) No Material Adverse Change. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, subsequent to the respective dates as of which information is given in the Disclosure Package and Prospectus, (i) there has been no material adverse change, or any development that could reasonably be expected to result in a material adverse change, in the condition, financial or otherwise, or in the earnings, business, operations or prospects, whether or not arising from transactions in the ordinary course of business, of the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one entity (any such change is called a "Material Adverse Change"); (ii) the Company and its subsidiaries, considered as one entity (any such change is called a "Material Adverse Change"); (ii) the Company and its subsidiaries, considered and material liability or obligation, indirect, direct or contingent, not in the ordinary course of business nor entered into any material transaction or agreement not in the ordinary course of business; and (iii) there has been no dividend or distribution of any kind declared, paid or made by the Company or, except for dividends paid to the Company, any of its subsidiaries on any class of capital stock, or repurchase or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of any class of capital stock.

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(i) Incorporation and Good Standing of the Company and Its Subsidiaries. The Company has been duly incorporated or organized and is validly existing as a corporation or limited liability company in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation or organization (to the extent the concept of good standing is applicable in the relevant jurisdiction) and has requisite power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and Prospectus and, in the case of the Company, to enter into and perform its obligations (to the extent it is party thereto) under each of this Agreement and the Securities. Each of the Company and its subsidiaries is duly qualified as a foreign corporation or other entity to transact business and is in good standing or equivalent status in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except for such jurisdicions where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change. All of the issued and outstanding capital stock of each subsidiary has been duly authorized and validly issued, is fully paid and nonassesable and is owned by the Company, directly or through subsidiaries, free and clear of any material security interest, mortgage, pledge, lien, encumbrance or claim, except for liens and encumbrances pursuant to the Credit Agreement (as defined below).

(j) *Capitalization and Other Capital Stock Matters*. At March 8, 2011, on a consolidated basis, after giving pro forma effect to the issuance and sale of the Securities pursuant hereto and the application of proceeds, the Company and its subsidiaries (on a consolidated basis) would have an authorized and outstanding capitalization as set forth in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the caption "Capitalization" (other than for subsequent issuances of capital stock, if any, pursuant to employee benefit plans described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus or upon exercise of outstanding options or settlement of restricted stock units described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus).

(k) The Securities. The Securities to be issued and sold by the Company hereunder have been duly authorized and, when issued and delivered and paid for as provided herein, will be duly and validly issued, will be fully paid and nonassessable.

(1) Description of Documents. The Securities will conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the caption "Description of Capital Stock."

(m) *Regulations T, U and X.* Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor any agent thereof acting on their behalf has taken, and none of them will take, any action that might cause this Agreement or the issuance or sale of the Securities to violate Regulation T, Regulation U or Regulation X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

(n) Non-Contravention of Existing Instruments; No Further Authorizations or Approvals Required. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is (i) in violation of its charter or bylaws or (ii) is in default (or, with the giving of notice or lapse of time, would be in default) ("Default") under any indenture, mortgage, loan or credit agree-

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ment, note, contract, franchise, lease or other instrument to which the Company or any of its subsidiaries is a party or by which it or any of them may be bound (including, without limitation, the Company's Senior Secured Credit Agreement dated as of May 16, 2007, as amended (the "Credit Agreement"), the indenture dated as of September 29, 2010 governing the Company's 7.785% Senior Notes due 2018 (the "2018 Senior Indenture"), the indenture dated as of August 8, 2003 governing the Company's 9.50% senior subordinated notes due 2013 (the "2013 Senior Subordinated Indenture") and the indenture dated as of June 2, 2009 and supplemental indenture dated as of August 20, 2009, both governing the Company's 9.50% senior notes due 2017 (the "2017 Senior Subordinated Indenture")) or to which any of the property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is subject (each, an "Existing Instrument"), except, with respect to clause (ii) only, for such Defaults as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change. The Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement and the issuance and delivery of the Securities, and consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Disclosure Package and Prospectus (i) will have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action and will not result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or bylaws of the Company or any subsidiary, (ii) will not conflict with or constitute a breach of, or Default or a Debt Repayment Triggering Event (as defined below) under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to, or require the consent of any other party to, any Existing Instrument, except for such conflicts, breaches, Defaults, liens, charges or encumbrances as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change and (iii) will not result in any violation of any statute, law, rule, regulation, judgment, order or decree applicable to the Company or any of its subsidiaries of any court, regulatory body, administrative agency, governmental body, arbitrator or other authority having jurisdiction over the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of its or their properties, with respect to clauses (ii) and (iii) only, except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change. Assuming the accuracy of the representations and warranties of the Underwriters set forth in Section 3, no consent, approval, authorization or other order of, or registration or filing with, any court or other governmental or regulatory authority or agency is required for the Company's execution, delivery and performance of this Agreement, or the issuance and delivery of the Securities, or consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Disclosure Package and Prospectus, except such as have been obtained or made by the Company and are in full force and effect under the Securities Act or any applicable securities laws of the several states of the United States or provinces of Canada. As used herein, a "Debt Repayment Triggering Event" means any event or condition which gives, or with the giving of notice or lapse of time would give, the holder of any note, debenture or other evidence of indebtedness (or any person acting on such holder's behalf) the right to require the repurchase, redemption or repayment of all or a portion of such indebtedness by the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

(o) No Material Actions or Proceedings. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, there are no legal or governmental actions, suits

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or proceedings pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened (i) against or affecting the Company or any of its subsidiaries or (ii) which have as the subject thereof any property owned or leased by the Company or any of its subsidiaries and in each case, any such action, suit or proceeding, if determined adversely to the Company or such subsidiary, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change or adversely affect the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement. No material labor dispute with the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries or, to the knowledge of the Company, with the employees of any principal supplier of the Company exists or, to the Company's knowledge, is threatened or imminent, except as would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change.

(p) Exchange Act Compliance. The Company is subject to and in compliance in all material respects with the reporting requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act.

(q) *Independent Accountants.* Ernst & Young LLP, which expressed its opinion with respect to certain financial statements (which term as used in this Agreement includes the related notes thereto) filed with the Commission and incorporated by reference into in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, are independent public or certified public accountants as required by Regulation S-X under the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and the applicable published rules and regulations thereunder and the rules of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), and any non-audit services provided by Ernst & Young LLP to the Company has been approved by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company.

(r) *Preparation of the Financial Statements; Other Data.* The financial statements filed with the Commission as a part of or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement and incorporated by reference in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus present fairly in all material respects the consolidated financial position of the Company and its subsidiaries as of and at the dates indicated and the results of their operations, cash flows and changes in stockholders equity for the periods specified. The related schedules and notes incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement present fairly in all material respects the information required to be stated therein. Such financial statements and supporting schedules comply as to form with the applicable accounting requirements of Regulation S-X and have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied in the United States applied on a consistent basis throughout the periods presented, except as may be expressly stated in the related notes thereto. No other financial statements or supporting schedules are required to be included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement. The financial data set forth in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus and the Prospectus from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Selected Financial Data," fairly present the information set forth therein on a basis consistent with that of the audited financial statements incorporated by reference in the Registration form the Registration Statement. The Company's ratios of earnings to fixed charges set forth in each of the Prospectus and the Prospectus from the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K under the caption "Selected Financial Data," fairly present the information set forth therein on a basis consistent with that of the audited financial statements incorporated by reference in the Registration State

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tus under the caption "Prospectus Summary—Summary Financial and Other Information," and in Exhibit 12 to the Registration Statement have been calculated in compliance in all material respects with the requirements of Item 503(d) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act.

(s) Underwriting Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

(t) Intellectual Property Rights. The Company and its subsidiaries own or possess sufficient trademarks, trade names, patent rights, copyrights, licenses, approvals, trade secrets and other similar rights (collectively, "Intellectual Property Rights") reasonably necessary to conduct their businesses in the manner described in the Disclosure Package and Prospectus, except where the failure to own or possess adequate licenses or other Intellectual Property Rights, individually or in the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change; and the expected expiration of any of such Intellectual Property Rights would not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change; and the subsidiaries has received any notice of infringement or conflict with asserted Intellectual Property Rights of others, which infringement or conflict, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, would reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change.

(u) All Necessary Permits, Etc. The Company and each subsidiary possess such valid and current certificates, authorizations or permits issued by the appropriate state, federal or foreign regulatory agencies or bodies necessary to conduct their respective businesses in the manner described in the Disclosure Package and Prospectus, except where the failure to possess such certificates, authorizations or permits would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change, and neither the Company nor any subsidiary has received any notice of proceedings relating to the revocation or modification of, or non-compliance with, any such certificate, authorization or permit which, singly or in the aggregate, if the subject of an unfavorable decision, ruling or finding, would reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Change.

(v) *Title to Properties.* The Company and each of its subsidiaries have good title in fee simple to, or have valid right to lease or otherwise use, all items of real and personal property which are material to their respective businesses, in each case free and clear of any security interests, mortgages, liens, encumbrances, equities, claims and other title defects, except such as do not materially and adversely affect the value of such property and do not materially interfere with the use made or proposed to be made of such property by the Company or such subsidiary or those created pursuant to the Credit Agreement.

(w) *Tax Law Compliance*. The Company and its subsidiaries have filed all necessary federal, state and foreign income and franchise tax returns or have properly requested extensions thereof and have paid all taxes required to be paid by any of them and, if due and payable, any related or similar assessment, fine or penalty levied against any of them other than those taxes and other charges with respect to which the failure to pay, in

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the aggregate, would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Change and except for those being contested in good faith and by appropriate proceedings diligently conducted. The Company has made adequate charges, accruals and reserves in the applicable financial statements referred to in Section 1(r) hereof in respect of all federal, state and foreign income and franchise taxes for all periods as to which the tax liability of the Company or any of its subsidiaries has not been finally determined.

(x) Company Not an "Investment Company." The Company has been advised of the rules and requirements under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act," which term, as used herein, includes the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder). The Company is not, or after receipt of payment for the Securities and the application of the proceeds thereof as contemplated under the caption "Use of Proceeds" in each of the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus will not be, an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act.

(y) *Insurance*. Each of the Company and its subsidiaries is insured by recognized institutions with policies in such amounts and with such deductibles and covering such risks as in its reasonable determination is adequate and customary for its businesses, including, without limitation, policies covering real and personal property owned or leased by the Company and its subsidiaries against theft, damage, destruction, acts of vandalism and earthquakes, except where the failure to carry such insurance would not reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Change. The Company has no reason to believe that it or any subsidiary will not be able (i) to renew its existing insurance coverage as and when such policies expire or (ii) to obtain comparable coverage from similar institutions as may be necessary or appropriate to conduct its business as now conducted and at a cost that would not result in a Material Adverse Change. Neither of the Company nor any subsidiary has been denied any insurance coverage which it has sought or for which it has applied.

(z) No Price Stabilization or Manipulation. The Company has not taken and will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to or that might be reasonably expected to cause or result in stabilization or manipulation of the price of any security of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

(aa) Compliance with Labor Laws. Except as would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Change, (i) there is (A) no unfair labor practice complaint pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened against the Company or any of its subsidiaries before the National Labor Relations Board, and no grievance or arbitration proceeding arising out of or under collective bargaining agreements pending, or to the Company's knowledge, threatened against the Company or any of its subsidiaries, (B) no strike, labor dispute, slowdown or stoppage pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened against the Company or any of its subsidiaries and (C) no union representation question existing with respect to the employees of the Company or any of its subsidiaries and, to the Company's knowledge, no union organizing activities taking place and (ii) there has been no violation of any federal, state or local law relating to dis-

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crimination in hiring, promotion or pay of employees or of any applicable wage or hour laws.

(bb) *Related Party Transactions*. To the Company's knowledge, no relationship, direct or indirect, exists between or among the Company or any affiliate of the Company, on the one hand, and any director, officer, member, stockholder, customer or supplier of the Company or any affiliate of the Company, on the other hand, which is required by the Securities Act to be disclosed in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K which is not so disclosed or incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus. Except as set forth or incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, there are no outstanding loans, advances (except advances for business expenses in the ordinary course of business) or guarantees of indebtedness by the Company or any affiliate of the Company to or for the benefit of any of the officers or directors of the Company or any affiliate of the Company or any of their respective family members.

(cc) Company's Accounting System. The Company and its subsidiaries maintain a system of accounting controls that is sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that (i) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (ii) transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles as applied in the United States and to maintain accountability for assets; (iii) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (iv) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences.

(dd) *Disclosure Controls and Procedures*. The Company has established and maintains disclosure controls and procedures (as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15 and 15d-14 under the Exchange Act); such disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that material information relating to the Company and its subsidiaries is made known to the chief executive officer and chief financial officer of the Company by others within the Company or any of its subsidiaries, and such disclosure controls and procedures are reasonably effective to perform the functions for which they were established subject to the limitations of any such control system; the Company's auditors and the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company have been advised of (i) any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which could adversely affect the Company's aibility to record, process, summarize, and report financial reporting; and since the date of the most recent evaluation of such disclosure controls and procedures, there have been no significant changes in internal control over financial reporting or in other factors that could significantly affect internal control over financial reporting or in other such asses.

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(ee) *No Unlawful Contributions or Other Payments.* Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is aware of or has taken any action, directly or indirectly, that would result in a violation by such persons of the FCPA, including, without limitation, making use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce corruptly in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay or authorization of the payment of any money, or other property, gift, promise to give, or authorization of the giving of anything of value to any "foreign official" (as such term is defined in the FCPA) or any foreign political party or official thereof or any candidate for foreign political office, in contravention of the FCPA and the Company and its subsidiaries have instituted and maintain policies and procedures designed to ensure continued compliance therewith.

"FCPA" means the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, as amended, and the rules and regulations thereunder.

(ff) *No Conflict with Money Laundering Laws.* The operations of the Company and its subsidiaries are and have been conducted at all times in compliance with applicable financial recordkeeping and reporting requirements of the Currency and Foreign Transactions Reporting Act of 1970, as amended, the money laundering statutes of all applicable jurisdictions, the rules and regulations thereunder and any related or similar rules, regulations or guidelines issued, administered or enforced by any governmental agency (collectively, the "**Money Laundering Laws**") and no action, suit or proceeding by or before any court or governmental agency, authority or body or any arbitrator involving the Company or any of its subsidiaries with respect to the Money Laundering Laws is pending or, to the best knowledge of the Company, threatened.

(gg) No Conflict with OFAC Laws. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company, any director, officer, agent, employee or affiliate of the Company or any of its subsidiaries is currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Treasury Department ("**OFAC**"); and the Company will not directly or indirectly use the proceeds of the offering, or lend, contribute or otherwise make available such proceeds to any subsidiary, joint venture partner or other person or entity, for the purpose of financing the activities of any person currently subject to any U.S. sanctions administered by OFAC.

(hh) Compliance with and Liability Under Environmental Laws Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package and Prospectus or as would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change, (i) neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries is in violation of any federal, state, local or foreign law or regulation relating to pollution or protection of human health or the environment (including, without limitation, ambient air, surface water, groundwater, land surface or subsurface strata) or wildlife, including, without limitation, laws and regulations relating to emissions, discharges, releases or threatened releases of chemicals, pollutants, contaminants, wastes, toxic substances, hazardous substances, petroleum and petroleum products (collectively, "Materials of Environmental Concern"), or otherwise

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relating to the manufacture, processing, distribution, use, treatment, storage, disposal, transport or handling of Materials of Environmental Concern (collectively, "**Environmental Laws**"), which violation includes, without limitation, noncompliance with any permits or other governmental authorizations required for the operation of the business of the Company or its subsidiaries under applicable Environmental Laws, or noncompliance with the terms and conditions thereof, nor has the Company or any of its subsidiaries received any written communication, whether from a governmental authority, citizens group, employee or otherwise, that alleges that the Company or any of its subsidiaries is in violation of any Environmental Law; (ii) there is no claim, action or cause of action filed with a court or governmental authority, no investigation with respect to which the Company has received written notice and no written notice by any person or entity alleging potential liability for investigatory costs, cleanup costs, governmental responses costs, natural resources damages, property damages, personal injuries, attorneys' fees or penalties arising out of, based on or resulting from the presence, or release into the environment, of any Material of Environmental Concern at any location owned, leased or operated by the Company or any of its subsidiaries, now or in the past (collectively, "**Environmental Claims**"), pending or, to the Company's knowledge, threatened against the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any person or entity whose liability for any Environmental Claim the Company or any of its subsidiaries has retained or assumed either contractually or by operation of law; and (iii) to the Company's knowledge, there are no past or present actions, activities, circumstances, conditions, events or incidents, including, without limitation, the release, emission, discharge, presence or disposal of any Material of Environmental Concern, that would result in a violation of any Environmental Claim the Company or any of i

(ii) *Periodic Review of Costs of Environmental Compliance*. In the ordinary course of its business, the Company conducts a periodic review of the effect of Environmental Laws on the business, operations and properties of the Company and its subsidiaries, in the course of which it identifies and evaluates associated costs and liabilities (including, without limitation, any capital or operating expenditures required for clean-up, closure of properties or compliance with Environmental Laws or any permit, license or approval, any related constraints on operating activities and any potential liabilities to third parties). On the basis of such review and the amount of its established reserves, the Company has reasonably concluded that except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package such associated costs and liabilities would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Change.

(jj) *ERISA Compliance*. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package, the Company and its subsidiaries and any "employee benefit plan" (as defined under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (as amended, "**ERISA**," which term, as used herein, includes the regulations and published interpretations thereunder)) established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or their ERISA Affiliates (as defined below) are in compliance in all material respects with applicable provi-

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sions of ERISA, except where the failure to so comply would not, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change. **ERISA Affiliate**" means, with respect to the Company or a subsidiary, any member of any group of organizations described in Section 414 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (as amended, the "**Code**," which term, as used herein, includes the regulations and published interpretations thereunder) of which the Company or such subsidiary is a member. No "reportable event" (as defined under ERISA) has occurred or is reasonably expected to occur with respect to any "employee benefit plan" established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates. Except as otherwise disclosed in the Disclosure Package, no "employee benefit plan" established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates. Affiliates, if such "employee benefit plan" were terminated, would have any "amount of unfunded benefit liabilities" (as defined under ERISA). Neither the Company, its subsidiaries nor any of their ERISA affiliates is usublication or any of their ERISA affiliates is usublication or any of their ERISA affiliates, if such "employee benefit plan" or (ii) Section 412, 4971, 4975 or 4980B of the Code, which would, individually or in the aggregate, reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Change. Each "employee benefit plan" established or maintained by the Company, its subsidiaries or any of their ERISA Affiliates that is intended to be qualified under Section 401 of the Code is so qualified and nothing has occurred, whether by action or failure to act, which would cause the loss of such qualification.

(kk) Brokers. Other than the underwriting discount pursuant to Section 2 of this Agreement, there is no broker, finder or other party that is entitled to receive from the Company any brokerage or finder's fee or other fee or commission as a result of any transactions contemplated by this Agreement.

(II) Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance. The Company and its subsidiaries and their respective directors and officers are in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the "Sarbanes-Oxley Act," which term, as used herein, includes the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder).

(mm) *Ratings*. No "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined for purposes of Rule 436(g) under the 1933 Act) (i) has imposed (or has informed the Company that it is considering imposing) any condition (financial or otherwise) on the Company's retaining any rating assigned to the Company, any securities of the Company or (ii) has indicated to the Company that it is considering (a) the downgrading, suspension, or withdrawal of, or any review for a possible change that does not indicate the direction of the possible change in, any rating so assigned or (b) any change in the outlook for any rating of the Company or any securities of the Company.

(nn) Subsidiaries. The subsidiaries listed on Schedule C attached hereto are the only significant subsidiaries of the Company as defined by Rule 1-02 of Regulation S-X (the "Subsidiaries").

(oo) Lending Relationship. Except as disclosed in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the Company (i) does not have any material lending or other relationship

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with any bank or lending affiliate of any Underwriter and (ii) does not intend to use any of the proceeds from the sale of the Securities hereunder to repay any outstanding debt owed to any affiliate of any Underwriter.

(pp) Statistical and Market-Related Data; Forward-Looking Statements. The statistical and market-related data and forward-looking statements included in the each of the Disclosure Package and Prospectus are based on or derived from sources that the Company and its subsidiaries believe to be reliable and accurate in all material respects and represent their good faith estimates that are made on the basis of data derived from such sources.

(qq) *Stock Options.* With respect to the stock options (the '**Stock Options**'') granted pursuant to the stock-based compensation plans of the Company (the '**Company Stock Plans**''), (i) each Stock Option intended to qualify as an "incentive stock option" under Section 422 of the Code so qualifies, (ii) each grant of a Stock Option was duly authorized no later than the date on which the grant of such Stock Option was by its terms to be effective (the "**Grant Date**") by all necessary corporate action, including, as applicable, approval by the board of directors of the Company (or a duly constituted and authorized committee thereof) and any required stockholder approval by the necessary number of votes or written consents, and the award agreement governing such grant (if any) was duly executed and delivered by each party thereto, (iii) each such grant was made in accordance with the terms of Company Stock Plans, the Exchange Act and all other applicable laws and regulatory rules or requirements, including the rules of any securities exchange on which the Company's securities are traded, (iv) the per share exercise price of each Stock Option was equal to the fair market value of a share of common stock on the applicable Grant Date and (v) each such grant was properly accounted for in accordance with GAAP in the financial statements (including the related notes) of the Company and disclosed in the Company's filings with the Commission in accordance with the Exchange Act and all other applicable laws. The Company has not knowingly granted, and there is no and has been no policy or practice of the Company of granting, Stock Options prior to, or otherwise coordinate the grant of Stock Options with, the release or other public announcement of material information regarding the Company or its subsidiaries or their results of operations or prospects.

(rr) *Patriot Act Acknowledgement*. In accordance with the requirements of the USA Patriot Act (Title III of Pub. L. 107-56 (signed into law October 26, 2001)), the Underwriters are required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies its clients, including the Company, which information may include the name and address of its clients, as well as other information that will allow the Underwriters to properly identify its clients.

Any certificate signed by an officer of the Company and delivered to the Representatives or to counsel for the Underwriters shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty by the Company to each Underwriter as to the matters set forth therein.

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2. Purchase and Sale.

(a) *Initial Securities*. On the basis of the representations and warranties herein contained and subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Company agrees to sell to each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, and each Underwriter, severally and not jointly, agrees to purchase from the Company, at the price per share set forth in Schedule A, the number of Initial Securities set forth in Schedule A opposite the name of such Underwriter, plus any additional number of Securities which such Underwriter may become obligated to purchase pursuant to the provisions of Section 10 hereof, bears to the total number of Initial Securities, subject, in each case, to such adjustments among the Underwriters as Goldman, Sachs & Co. in its sole discretion shall make to eliminate any sales or purchases of fractional Securities.

(b) *Optional Securities*. In addition, on the basis of the representations and warranties herein contained and subject to the terms and conditions herein set forth, the Company hereby grants an option to the Underwriters, severally and not jointly, to purchase up to an additional 7,050,000 shares of Common Stock at the price per share set forth in <u>Schedule A</u>, less an amount per share equal to any dividends or distributions declared by the Company and payable on the Initial Securities but not payable on the Optional Securities. The option hereby granted may be exercised for 30 days after the date hereof and may be exercised in whole or in part from time to time only for the purpose of covering overallotments made in connection with the offering and distribution of the Securities upon notice by the Representatives to the Company setting forth the number of Optional Securities as to which the several Underwriters are then exercising the option and the time and date of payment and delivery for such Optional Securities. Any such time and date of delivery (a "**Date of Delivery**") shall be determined by the Representatives, but shall not be later than seven full business days after the exercise of said option, nor in any event prior to the Closing Time. If the option is exercised as to all or any portion of the Optional Securities, each of the Underwriters, acting severally and not jointly, will purchase that proportion of the total number of Optional Securities, subject, in each case, to such adjustments as Goldman, Sachs & Co. in its sole discretion shall make to eliminate any sales or purchases of fractional Securities.

3. Delivery and Payment; Representations and Warranties and Covenants of the Underwriters.

(a) *Payment.* Payment of the purchase price for, and delivery of certificates for, the Securities shall be made at the offices of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, 80 Pine Street, New York, NY 10005 at 9:00 a.m. (New York City time) on April 20, 2011, or such other time and date as the Representatives and the Company may agree in writing (such time and date of payment and delivery being herein called "Closing Time").

In addition, in the event that any or all of the Optional Securities are purchased by the Underwriters, payment of the purchase price for, and delivery of certificates for, such Optional Securities shall be made at the above-mentioned offices, or at such other place as shall be agreed upon by the Representatives and the Company, on each Date of Delivery as specified in the notice from the Representatives to the Company.

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Payment shall be made to the Company by wire transfer of immediately available funds to a bank account(s) designated by the Company against delivery to the Representatives for the respective accounts of the Underwriters of certificates for the Securities to be purchased by them. It is understood that each Underwriter has authorized Goldman, Sachs & Co., for its account, to accept delivery of, receipt for, and make payment of the purchase price for, the Securities and the Optional Securities, if any, which it has agreed to purchase. Goldman, Sachs & Co., individually and not as representative of the Underwriters, may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment of the purchase price for the Initial Securities or the Optional Securities, if any, to be purchased by any Underwriter whose funds have not been received by the Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, as the case may be, but such payment shall not relieve such Underwriter from its obligations hereunder.

(b) *Denominations; Registration.* Certificates for the Initial Securities and the Optional Securities, if any, shall be in such denominations and registered in such names as the Representatives may request in writing at least one full business day before the Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, as the case may be. The certificates for the Initial Securities and the Optional Securities, if any, will be made available for examination and packaging by the Representatives in The City of New York not later than 10:00 a.m. (New York City time) on the business day prior to the Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, as the case may be.

(c) *Delivery of Prospectus to the Underwriters.* Not later than 10:00 a.m. on the second business day following the date the Securities are first released by the Underwriters for sale to the public, the Company shall deliver or cause to be delivered, copies of the Prospectus in such quantities and at such places as the Representatives shall reasonably request.

4. Covenants. The Company covenants and agrees with each of the Underwriters as follows:

(a) *Representatives' Review of Proposed Amendments and Supplements.* During the period beginning at the Applicable Time and ending on the later of the Closing Time or such date, as in the opinion of counsel for the Underwriters, the Prospectus is no longer required by law to be delivered in connection with sales by an Underwriter or dealer, including in circumstances where such requirement may be satisfied pursuant to Rule 172 (the "**Prospectus Delivery Period**"), prior to amending or supplementing the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, the Company shall furnish to the Representatives for review a copy of each such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representatives reasonably objects.

(b) Securities Act Compliance. After the date of this Agreement and during the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company shall promptly advise the Representatives in writing (i) when the Registration Statement, if not effective at the Applicable Time, shall have become effective, (ii) of the receipt of any comments of, or requests for additional or supplemental information from, the Commission, (iii) of the time and date of any filing of any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement or any amendment or supplement to any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, (iv) of the time and date that any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement becomes effective,

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and (v) of the issuance by the Commission of any stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement or of any order or notice preventing or suspending the use of the Registration Statement, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, or of any receipt by the Company of any notification with respect to the suspension of the qualification of the Securities for sale in any jurisdiction or of the threatening or initiation of any proceedings for any of such purposes (including any notice or order pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act). The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to prevent the issuance of any such stop order or notice of prevention or suspension of such use. If the Commission shall enter any such stop order or issue any such notice at any time, the Company will use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the lifting or reversal of such order or notice at the earliest possible moment, or, subject to Section 4(a), will file an amendment to the Registration Statement or will file a new registration statement and use its best efforts to have such amendment or new registration statement declared effective as soon as practicable. Additionally, the Company agrees that it shall comply with the provisions of Rules 424(b) and 430B, as applicable, under the Securities Act, including with respect to the timely filing of documents thereunder, and will use commercially reasonable efforts to confirm that any filings made by the Company under such Rule 424(b) were received in a timely manner by the Commission.

(c) Exchange Act Compliance. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will file all documents required to be filed with the Commission and the New York Stock Exchange (the "NYSE") pursuant to Section 13, 14 or 15 of the Exchange Act in the manner and within the time periods required by the Exchange Act.

(d) *Permitted Free Writing Prospectuses*. The Company represents that it has not made, and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Representatives, it will not make, any offer relating to the Securities that constitutes or would constitute an Issuer Free Writing Prospectus or that otherwise constitutes or would constitute a "free writing prospectus" (as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act) or a portion thereof required to be filed by the Company with the Commission or retained by the Company under Rule 433 of the Securities Act; *provided* that the prior written consent of the Representatives hereto shall be deemed to have been given in respect of the Free Writing Prospectuses included in <u>Schedule D</u> hereto and any electronic road show. Any such free writing prospectus consented to by the Representatives is hereinafter referred to as a "**Permitted Free Writing Prospectus**." The Company agrees that (i) it has treated and will treat, as the case may be, each Permitted Free Writing Prospectus, and (ii) has complied and will comply, as the case may be, with the requirements of Rules 164 and 433 of the Securities Act applicable to any Permitted Free Writing Prospectus, including in respect of timely filing with the Commission, legending and record keeping. The Company consents to the use by any Underwriter of a free writing prospectus that (a) is not an "issuer free writing prospectus" as defined in Rule 433, or (b) contains only (1) information describing the preliminary terms of the Securities or their offering, (2) information that describes the final terms of the Securities or their offering and that is included on <u>Schedule D</u> hereto contemplated in Section 1(d) or (3) information permitted under Rule 134 under the Securities Act; *provided* that each Underwriter severally covenants with the Company not to take any action without the

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Company's consent which consent shall be confirmed in writing that would result in the Company being required to file with the Commission under Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act a free writing prospectus prepared by or on behalf of such Underwriter that otherwise would not be required to be filed by the Company thereunder, but for the action of the Underwriter.

(e) Amendments and Supplements to the Registration Statement, Disclosure Package and Prospectus and Other Securities Act Matters If, during the Prospectus Delivery Period, any event or development shall occur or condition exist as a result of which the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus as then amended or supplemented would include any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein in the light of the circumstances under which they were made or then prevailing, as the case may be, not misleading, or if it shall be necessary to amend or supplement the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under the circumstances under which they were made or then prevailing, as the case may be, not misleading, or if in the opinion of the Representatives it is otherwise necessary to amend or supplement the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, in order to comply with law, including in connection with the delivery of the Prospectus, the Company agrees to (i) notify the Representatives of any such event or condition and (ii) promptly prepare (subject to Sections 4(a) and 4(e) hereof), file with the Commission (and use its best efforts to have any amendment to the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus as so amended or supplemented, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made or then prevailing, as the case may be, not misleading, or if in the opinion of the Representatives of a new registration statement to the Registration statement to an average are the Prospectus, in order to comply with law, including in connection with the delivery of the Prospectus, the Company agrees to (i) notify the Representatives of any such event or condition and (ii) promptly prepare (subject to Sections 4(a) and 4(e) hereof), file with the Commission (and use its best efforts to have any amendment to the Registration Statement, the D

(f) Copies of Any Amendments and Supplements to the Prospectus. The Company agrees to furnish to the Representatives, without charge, during the Prospectus Delivery Period, as many copies of the Prospectus and any amendments and supplements thereto (including any documents incorporated or deemed incorporated by reference therein) and the Disclosure Package as the Representatives may reasonably request.

(g) Copies of the Registration Statements and the Prospectus. The Company will furnish to the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters signed copies of the Registration Statement and of each amendment thereto (including exhibits filed therewith or incorporated by reference therein and documents incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference therein) and, during the Prospectus Delivery Period, as many copies of each Preliminary Prospectus, the Prospectus and any supplement thereto and the Disclosure Package as the Representatives may reasonably request.

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(h) *Blue Sky Compliance*. The Company shall reasonably cooperate with the Representatives and counsel for the Underwriters to qualify or register (or to obtain exemptions from qualifying or registering) all or any part of the Securities for offer and sale under the securities laws of the several states of the United States, the provinces of Canada or any other jurisdictions designated by the Underwriters, shall comply with such laws and shall continue such qualifications, registrations and exemptions in effect so long as required for the distribution of the Securities. The Company shall not be required to qualify as a foreign corporation or to take any action that would subject it to general service of process in any such jurisdiction where it is not presently qualified or where it would be subject to taxation as a foreign corporation. The Company will advise the Underwriters promptly of the suspension of the qualification or registration of (or any such exemption relating to) the Securities for offering, sale or trading in any jurisdiction or any initiation or threat of any proceeding for any such purpose, and in the event of the issuance of any order suspending such qualification, registration or exemption, the Company shall use its best efforts to obtain the withdrawal thereof at the earliest possible moment.

(i) Use of Proceeds. The Company shall apply the net proceeds from the sale of the Securities sold by it in the manner described under the caption "Use of Proceeds" in each of the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.

(j) Agreement Not to Offer to Sell Additional Securities During the period of 90 days following the date hereof, the Company will not, without the prior written consent of (which consent may be withheld at the sole discretion of the Representatives), (i) directly or indirectly, sell, offer, contract or grant any option to sell, pledge, transfer or establish an open "put equivalent position" within the meaning of Rule 16a-1 under the Exchange Act, or otherwise dispose of or transfer, or announce the offering of, or file any registration statement under the Securities Act in respect of, any shares of Common Stock or securities exchangeable for or convertible into shares of Common Stock of the Company (other than as contemplated by this Agreement) or (ii) enter into any swap or other agreement that transfers, in whole or in part, any of the economic consequences of ownership of any debt securities of the Company, shares of common stock or securities exchangeable for or convertible into debt securities of the Company, regardless of whether any such transaction described in clause (i) or (ii) above is to be settled by delivery of common stock or such other securities, in cash or otherwise (other than the Securities outstanding as of, the date of this Agreement). Notwithstanding the foregoing, if (1) during the last 17 days of the 90-day restricted period the Company issues an earnings release or material news or a material to the Company occurs or (2) prior to the expiration of the 90-day restricted period, the Company announces that it will issue an earnings release or becomes aware that material news or a material event will occur during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the 90-day restricted period, the restrictions imposed in this clause (i) shall continue to apply until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the date of the issuance of the earnings release or the occurrence of the material news or amaterial event, unless the Representatives waive, in writing, such extension.

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(k) DTC. The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the approval of DTC to permit the Securities to be eligible for "book-entry" transfer and settlement through the facilities of DTC, and agrees to comply with all of its agreements set forth in the representation letters of the Company to DTC relating to the approval of the Securities by DTC for "book-entry" transfer.

(1) *Earnings Statement*. As soon as practicable, the Company will make generally available to its security holders and to the Representatives an earnings statement (which need not be audited) covering a period of at least twelve months beginning with the first fiscal quarter of the Company occurring after the "effective date" (as defined in Rule 158 under the Securities Act) of the Registration Statement.

(m) Compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley Act. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company will comply with all applicable securities and other laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the Sarbanes-Oxley Act, and use its best efforts to cause the Company's directors and officers, in their capacities as such, to comply with such laws, rules and regulations, including, without limitation, the provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act.

(n) Listing. The Company will use its best efforts to effect and maintain the listing of the Securities on the NYSE.

(o) Future Reports to the Representatives. During the period of two years hereafter the Company will furnish to the Representatives (i) to the extent not available on the Commission's Next-Generation EDGAR filing system, as soon as practicable after the end of each fiscal year, copies of the Annual Report of the Company containing the balance sheet of the Company as of the close of such fiscal year and statements of income, stockholders' equity and cash flows for the year then ended and the opinion thereon of the Company's independent public or certified public accountants; and (ii) as soon as available, copies of any report or communication of the Company mailed generally to holders of its capital stock or debt securities (including the holders of the Securities).

(p) *Licensing*. Upon request of any Underwriter, to furnish, or cause to be furnished, to such Underwriter an electronic version of the Company's trademarks, servicemarks and corporate logo for use on the website, if any, operated by such Underwriter for the purpose of facilitating the on-line offering of the Securities (the "**License**"); *provided*, *however*, that the License shall be used solely for the purpose described above, is granted without any fee and may not be assigned or transferred.

(q) No Manipulation of Price. The Company will not take, directly or indirectly, any action designed to cause or result in, or that has constituted or might reasonably be expected to constitute, under the Exchange Act or otherwise, the stabilization or manipulation of the price of any securities of the Company to facilitate the sale or resale of the Securities.

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(r) Investment Limitation. The Company shall not invest, or otherwise use the proceeds received by the Company from its sale of the Securities in such a manner as would require the Company or any of its subsidiaries to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.

5. Payment of Expenses. The Company agrees to pay all costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of its obligations hereunder and in connection with the transactions contemplated hereby, including without limitation (i) all expenses incident to the issuance and delivery of the Securities (including all printing and engraving costs), (ii) all necessary issue, transfer and other stamp taxes incurred in connection with the issuance and sale of the Securities to the Underwriters, (iii) all fees and expenses of the Company's counsel, independent public or certified public accountants and other advisors, (iv) all costs and expenses incurred in connection with the preparation, printing, filing, shipping and distribution of the Registration Statement (including financial statements, exhibits, schedules, consents and certificates of experts), each Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, each Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus, and all amendments and supplements thereto, and the mailing and delivering of copies thereof to the Underwriters and dealers, this Agreement and the Securities, (v) all reasonable filing fees, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Company or the Underwriters in connection with qualifying or registering (or obtaining exemptions from the qualification or registration of) all or any part of the Securities for offer and sale under the securities laws of the several states of the United States, the provinces of Canada or other jurisdictions designated by the Underwriters (including, without limitation, the cost of preparing, printing and mailing preliminary and final blue sky or legal investment memoranda and any related supplements to the Disclosure Package and Prospectus), (vi) the fees and expenses incurred in connection with the listing of the Securities on the NYSE, (vii) all fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) of the Company in connection with approval of the Securities by DTC for "book-entry" transfer, and the performance by the Company of its other obligations under this Agreement and (viii) all expenses incident to the "road show" for the offering of the Securities, including the cost of any chartered airplane or other transportation, (ix) all other fees, costs and expenses referred to in Item 14 of Part II of the Registration Statement, and (x) all other costs and expenses incident to the performance of their obligations hereunder which are not otherwise specifically provided for in this Section 5. It is understood, however, that, except as provided in this Section 5, Section 7, Section 8, Section 9 and Section 11 hereof, the Underwriters will pay their own expenses, including the fees and expenses of their counsel.

6. <u>Conditions to the Obligations of the Underwriters</u>. The obligations of the Underwriters hereunder shall be subject, in their discretion, to the condition that all representations and warranties of the Company herein are true and correct at and as of the date hereof and the Closing Time the condition that the Company shall have performed all of its obligations hereunder theretofore to be performed, and the following additional conditions:

(a) Accountants' Comfort Letter. On the date hereof, the Underwriters shall have received from Ernst & Young LLP, the independent registered public accounting firm for the Company, a letter dated the date hereof addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, covering the financial

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information included in or incorporated by reference in the Disclosure Package and other customary information.

(b) Compliance with Registration Requirements; No Stop Order. For the period from and after effectiveness of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Time and, with respect to the Securities:

(i) the Company shall have filed the Prospectus with the Commission (including the information required by Rules 430A, 430B and 430C under the Securities Act) in the manner and within the time period required by Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act;

(ii) any material required to be filed by the Company pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act, shall have been filed with the Commission within the applicable time periods prescribed for such filings under such Rule 433; and

(iii) no stop order suspending the effectiveness of the Registration Statement, or any post-effective amendment to the Registration Statement, shall be in effect and no proceedings for such purpose or pursuant to Section 8A of the Securities Act shall have been instituted or threatened by the Commission.

(c) No Material Adverse Change or Ratings Agency Change For the period from and after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Time:

(i) in the reasonable judgment of the Representatives there shall not have occurred any Material Adverse Change; and

(ii) there shall not have occurred any downgrading, nor shall any notice have been given of any intended or potential downgrading or of any review for a possible change that does not indicate the direction of the possible change, in the rating accorded the Company or any of its subsidiaries or any of their securities or indebtedness by any "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" as such term is used in Rule 15c3-1(c)(2)(vi)(F) under the Exchange Act, and no such organization shall have publicly announced that it has under surveillance or review, with possible negative implications, any such rating.

(d) *Opinion of Counsel for the Company.* At the Closing Time, the Underwriters shall have received the favorable opinion of each of (i) Alston & Bird LLP, counsel for the Company, dated as of such Closing Time, the form of which is attached as <u>Exhibit A-1</u> and (ii) Stephen A. Hellrung, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for the Company, dated as of such Closing Time, the form of which is attached as <u>Exhibit A-2</u>.

(e) Opinion of Counsel for the Underwriters. At the Closing Time, the Underwriters shall have received the favorable opinion of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated as of such Closing Time, in form and substance satisfactory to, and addressed to, the Underwriters, with respect to the issuance and sale of the

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Securities, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto), the Disclosure Package and other related matters as the Representatives may reasonably require, and the Company shall have furnished to such counsel such documents as they reasonably request for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon such matters.

(f) *Officers' Certificate*. At the Closing Time, the Representatives shall have received a written certificate executed by the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer or President of the Company and the Chief Financial Officer or Chief Accounting Officer of the Company, dated as of the Closing Time, to the effect set forth in subsection (c)(ii) of this Section 6, and further to the effect that:

(i) for the period from and after the date of this Agreement and prior to the Closing Time, there has not occurred any Material Adverse Change;

(ii) the representations and warranties of the Company set forth in Section 1 of this Agreement were true and correct as of the date hereof and are true and correct on and as of the Closing Time with the same force and effect as though expressly made on and as of the Closing Time; and

(iii) the Company has complied with all agreements and covenants and satisfied all the conditions on its part to be performed or satisfied at or prior to the Closing Time.

(g) *Bring-down Comfort Letter*. At the Closing Time, the Underwriters shall have received from Ernst & Young LLP, independent public accountants for the Company, a letter dated such date addressed to the Underwriters, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representatives, to the effect that they reaffirm the statements made in the letter furnished by them pursuant to subsection (a) of this Section 6, except that (i) it shall cover the financial information included in or incorporated by reference in the Prospectus and any amendment or supplement thereto and (ii) the specified date referred to therein for the carrying out of procedures shall be no more than three business days prior to the Closing Time, as the case may be.

(h) Lock-Up Agreements. At the date of this Agreement, the Representatives shall have received an agreement substantially in the form of Exhibit B hereto signed by the persons listed on Schedule E hereto.

(i) Chief Financial Officer Certificate. At the date of this Agreement, the Representatives shall have received a written certificate executed by the Chief Financial Officer of the Company, dated as of the date hereof substantially in the form of Exhibit C hereto.

(j) Conditions to Purchase of Option Securities. In the event that the Underwriters exercise their option provided in Section 2(b) hereof to purchase all or any portion of the Option Securities, the representations and warranties of the Company contained herein and the statements in any certificates furnished by the Company and any of its

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subsidiaries hereunder shall be true and correct as of each Date of Delivery and, at the relevant Date of Delivery, the Representatives shall have received:

(i) Officers' Certificate. A certificate, dated such Date of Delivery, of the President or a Vice President of the Company and of the chief financial or chief accounting officer of the Company confirming that the certificate delivered at the Closing Time pursuant to Section 6(f) hereof remains true and correct as of such Date of Delivery.

(ii) Opinion of Counsel for Company. If requested by the Representatives, the favorable opinion of Alston & Bird LLP, counsel for the Company, together with the favorable opinion Stephen A. Hellrung, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for the Company in form and substance satisfactory to counsel for the Underwriters, dated such Date of Delivery, relating to the Option Securities to be purchased on such Date of Delivery and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion required by Section 6(d) hereof.

(iii) Opinion of Counsel for Underwriters. If requested by the Representatives, the favorable opinion of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated such Date of Delivery, relating to the Option Securities to be purchased on such Date of Delivery and otherwise to the same effect as the opinion required by Section 6(e) hereof.

(iv) Bring-down Comfort Letter. If requested by the Representatives, a letter from Ernst & Young LLP, in form and substance satisfactory to the Representatives and dated such Date of Delivery, substantially in the same form and substance as the letter furnished to the Representatives pursuant to Section 6(g) hereof, except that the "specified date" in the letter furnished pursuant to this paragraph shall be a date not more than three business days prior to such Date of Delivery.

(k) *Closing Documents.* At the Closing Time and at each Date of Delivery (if any), the Company shall have furnished counsel for the Company or the Underwriters and the Underwriters, as the case may be, such documents and opinions as they reasonably require for the purpose of enabling them to pass upon the issuance and sale of the Securities as herein contemplated, or in order to evidence the accuracy of any of the representations or warranties or fulfillment of any of the conditions or agreements herein contained.

If any condition specified in this Section 6 is not satisfied when and as required to be satisfied, this Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice to the Company at any time at or prior to the Closing Time, which termination shall be without liability on the part of any party to any other party, except that Section 5, Section 7, Section 8, Section 9, Section 13 and Section 17 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.

7. <u>Reimbursement of Underwriters' Expenses</u>. If this Agreement is terminated by the Representatives pursuant to Section 6 or Section 11, or if the sale to the Underwriters of the



Securities at the Closing Time is not consummated because of any refusal, inability or failure on the part of the Company to perform any agreement herein or to comply with any provision hereof, the Company agrees to reimburse the Representatives and the other Underwriters (or such Underwriters as have terminated this Agreement with respect to themselves), severally, upon demand for all reasonable out-of-pocket expenses that shall have been incurred by the Representatives and the Underwriters in connection with the proposed purchase and the offering and sale of the Securities, including but not limited to reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel, printing expenses, travel expenses, postage, facsimile and telephone charges.

8. Indemnification.

(a) Indemnification of the Underwriters. The Company agrees, to indemnify and hold harmless each Underwriter, its directors, officers, employees, agents and affiliates, and each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense, as incurred, to which such Underwriter or each such affiliate director, officer, employee or controlling person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act or other federal or state statutory law or regulation, or at common law or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Company or effected without the written consent of the Company in accordance with Section 8(d)), insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or expense (or actions in respect thereof as contemplated below) arises out of or is based (i) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, or any amendment thereto, including any information deemed to be a part thereof pursuant to Rule 430A, 430B or 430C under the Securities Act, or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary to make the statements therein not misleading; or (ii) upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact, in each case, necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and to reimburse each Underwriter, its affiliates, officers, directors, employees, agents and each such controlling person for any and all expenses (including, subject to Section 8(c), the fees and disbursements of counsel chosen by the Representatives) as such expenses are reasonably incurred by such Underwriter, or its affiliates, officers, directors, employees and agents or such controlling person in connection with investigating, defending, settling, compromising or paying any such loss, claim, damage, liability, expense or action; provided, however, that the foregoing indemnity agreement shall not apply to any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense to the extent, but only to the extent, arising out of or based upon any untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission made in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto). The indemnity agreement set forth in this Section 8(a) shall be in addition to any liabilities that the Company may otherwise have.

(b) Indemnification of the Company, Directors and Officers. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and its directors



and officers and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act or the Exchange Act, against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense, as incurred, to which the Company or any such director or controlling person may become subject, under the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, or other federal or state statutory law or regulation, or at common law or otherwise (including in settlement of any litigation, if such settlement is effected with the written consent of the Underwriters or effected without the written consent of the Company in accordance with Section 8(d)), insofar as such loss, claim, damage, liability or expense (or actions in respect thereof as contemplated below) arises out of or is based upon any untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact contained in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), or the omission or alleged omission therefrom of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, in each case to the extent, but only to the extent, that such untrue statement or alleged untrue statement or omission or alleged omission was made in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto), in reliance upon and in conformity with written information furnished to the Company by such Underwriter through the Representatives expressly for use therein; and to reimburse the Company or any such director or controlling person for any and all expenses (including fees and disbursements of counsel) as such expenses are reasonably incurred by the Company or any such director or controlling person in connection with investigating, defending, settling, compromising or paying any such loss, claim, damage, liability, expense or action. The Company hereby acknowledges that the only information that the Underwriters have furnished to the Company through the Representatives expressly for use in the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, any Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus (or any amendment or supplement thereto) are the statements set forth in the table in the first paragraph and as the fifth (first sentence), seventh (third and fourth sentences), twelfth and thirteenth paragraphs under the caption "Underwriting" in the Prospectus. The indemnity agreement set forth in this Section 8(b) shall be in addition to any liabilities that each Underwriter may otherwise have.

(c) *Notifications and Other Indemnification Procedures.* Promptly after receipt by an indemnified party under this Section 8 of notice of the commencement of any action, such indemnified party will, if a claim in respect thereof is to be made against an indemnifying party under this Section 8, notify the indemnifying party in writing of the commencement thereof, but the omission so to notify the indemnifying party will not relieve it from any liability which it may have to any indemnified party for contribution or otherwise than under the indemnify agreement contained in this Section 8 or to the extent it is not materially prejudiced as a proximate result of such failure. In case any such action is brought against any indemnified party and such indemnified party seeks or intends to seek indemnity from an indemnifying party, the indemnifying party will be entitled to participate in and, to the extent that it shall elect, jointly with all other indemnifying party and the indemnified, by written notice delivered to the indemnified party; *provided, however*, if the defendants in any such action include both the indemnified party and the indemnifying party and the indemnified party shall have reasonably concluded that a conflict may arise between the positions of the indemnifying party and the indemnified party in conducting the de-

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fense of any such action or that there may be legal defenses available to it and/or other indemnified parties which are different from or additional to those available to the indemnifying party, the indemnified party or parties shall have the right to select separate counsel to assume such legal defenses and to otherwise participate in the defense of such action on behalf of such indemnified party or parties. Upon receipt of notice from the indemnifying party to such indemnified party of such indemnifying party's election so to assume the defense of such action and approval by the indemnified party of counsel, the indemnifying party will not be liable to such indemnified party under this Section 8 for any legal or other expenses subsequently incurred by such indemnified party in connection with the defense thereof unless (i) the indemnified party shall have employed separate counsel in accordance with the proviso to the next preceding sentence (it being understood, however, that the indemnifying party shall not be liable for the expenses of more than one separate counsel (together with local counsel), approved by the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party or parties to such action) or (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party or parties to expenses of counsel the indemnified party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party or parties to such action) or (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party or parties to such action) or (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party.

(d) *Settlements*. The indemnifying party under this Section 8 shall not be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent, but if settled with such consent or if there be a final judgment for the plaintiff, the indemnifying party agrees to indemnify the indemnified party against any loss, claim, damage, liability or expense by reason of such settlement or judgment. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, if at any time an indemnified party shall have requested an indemnifying party to reimburse the indemnified party for fees and expenses of counsel as contemplated by this Section 8, the indemnifying party agrees that it shall be liable for any settlement of any proceeding effected without its written consent if (i) such settlement is entered into more than 30 days after receipt by such indemnifying party of the aforesaid request and (ii) such indemnifying party shall not have reimbursed the indemnified party in accordance with such request or disputed in good faith the indemnified party's entitlement, compromise or consent to the date of such settlement. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement, compromise or could have been sought hereunder by such indemnified party, unless such settlement, compromise or consent (i) includes an unconditional release of such indemnified party from all liability on claims that are the subject matter of such action, suit or proceeding and (ii) does not include a statement as to or any admissions of fault, culpability or a failure to act, by or on behalf of any indemnified party.

9. <u>Contribution</u>. If the indemnification provided for in Section 8 is for any reason unavailable to or otherwise insufficient to hold harmless an indemnified party in respect of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses referred to therein, then each indemnifying party shall contribute to the aggregate amount paid or payable by such indemnified party, as incurred, as a result of any losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses, claims, damages, liabilities, or expense, liabilities, or ex

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law, in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect not only the relative benefits referred to in clause (i) above but also the relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the statements or omissions or inaccuracies in the representations and warranties herein which resulted in such losses, claims, damages, liabilities or expenses, as well as any other relevant equitable considerations. The relative benefits received by the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be in the same respective proportions as the total net proceeds from the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement (before deducting expenses) received by the Company, and the total underwriting discount received by the Underwriters, in each case as set forth on the front cover page of the Prospectus bear to the aggregate initial public offering price of the Securities as set forth on such cover. The relative fault of the Company, on the one hand, and the Underwriters or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact or any such inaccurate or alleged inaccurate representation or warranty relates to information supplied by the Company, on the one hand, or the Underwriters, on the other hand, and the parties' relative intent, knowledge, access to information and opportunity to correct or prevent such statement, omission or inaccuracy.

The amount paid or payable by a party as a result of the losses, claims, damages, liabilities and expenses referred to above shall be deemed to include, subject to the limitations set forth in Section 8(c), any legal or other fees or expenses reasonably incurred by such party in connection with investigating or defending any action or claim. The provisions set forth in Section 8 hereof with respect to notice of commencement of any action shall apply if a claim for contribution is to be made under this Section 9; *provided, however*, that no additional notice shall be required with respect to any action for which notice has been given under Section 8 hereof for purposes of indemnification.

The Company and the Underwriters agree that it would not be just and equitable if contribution pursuant to this Section 9 were determined by pro rata allocation (even if the Underwriters were treated as one entity for such purpose) or by any other method of allocation which does not take account of the equitable considerations referred to in this Section 9.

Notwithstanding the provisions of this Section 9, no Underwriter shall be required to contribute any amount in excess of the underwriting commissions received by such Underwriter in connection with the Securities underwritten by it and distributed to the public. No person guilty of fraudulent misrepresentation (within the meaning of Section 11(f) of the Securities Act) shall be entitled to contribution from any person who was not guilty of such fraudulent misrepresentation. The Underwriters' obligations to contribute pursuant to this Section 9 are several, and not joint, in proportion to the number of Initial Securities set forth opposite their names in <u>Schedule A</u>. For purposes of this Section 9, each director, officer, employee and agent of an Underwriter and each person, if any, who controls an Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as such Underwriter, and each director of the Company, each officer of the Company who signed the Registration Statement and each person, if any, who controls the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company.



10. Default of One or More of the Several Underwriters. If, at the Closing Time or a Date of Delivery, any one or more of the several Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Securities that it or they have agreed to purchase hereunder on such date, and the aggregate principal amount of Securities which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase does not exceed 10% of the aggregate principal amount of the Securities to be purchased on such date, the other Underwriters shall be obligated, severally, in the proportions that the principal amount of Securities to be purchased set forth opposite their respective names on <u>Schedule A</u> bears to the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth opposite the nondefaulting Underwriters, any one or more of the Underwriters shall fail or refused to purchase for the nondefaulting Underwriters, to purchase to the aggregate principal amount of Securities with the consent of the nondefaulting Underwriters, to purchase to Securities which such default failed or refused to purchase on such date. If, at the Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, any one or more of the Underwriters shall fail or refuse to purchase Securities and the principal amount of Securities with respect to which such default occurs exceeds 10% of the principal amount of Securities to be purchased on such date, and arrangements satisfactory to the Representatives and the Company for the purchase of such Securities are not made within 48 hours after such default, this Agreement shall terminate without liability of any party to any other party except that the provisions of Section 5, Section 7, Section 8, Section 9, Section 13 and Section 17 shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination. In any such case either the Representatives or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Closing Time or the relevant Date of Delivery, but in no event for longer than seven days in order that the required changes, if any, to the Registratio

11. <u>Termination of This Agreement</u>. Prior to the Closing Time or, in the case of the Option Securities, prior to the Date of Delivery this Agreement may be terminated by the Representatives by notice given to the Company if at any time (i) trading or quotation in any of the Company's securities shall have been suspended or limited by the Commission or by the NYSE, or trading in securities generally on either the NYSE or the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. shall have been suspended or limited, or minimum or maximum prices shall have been generally established on any of such quotation system or stock exchanges by the Commission or FINRA; (ii) a general banking moratorium shall have been declared by any of federal, New York or Delaware authorities or a material disruption in commercial banking or securities settlement or clearance services in the United States has occurred; (iii) in the judgment of the Representatives there shall have occurred any Material Adverse Change; (iv) there shall have occurred any outbreak or escalation of national or international hostilities or any crisis or calamity, or any change in the United States or international financial markets, or any substantial change in United States' or international financial and adverse and makes it impracticable or inadvisable to proceed with the offering, sale or delivery of the Securities in the manner and on the terms described in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus or to enforce contracts for the sale of securities; or (v) the Company shall have sustained a loss by strike, fire, flood, earthquake, accident or other calamity of such character as in the judgment of the Repre-

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sentatives may interfere materially with the conduct of the business and operations of the Company, regardless of whether or not such loss shall have been insured. Any termination pursuant to this Section 11 shall be without liability on the part of (a) the Company to any Underwriter, and the Company shall be obligated to reimburse the expenses of the Representatives and Underwriters pursuant to Sections 5 and 7 hereof, (b) the Underwriters to the Company or (c) any party hereto to any other party except that the provisions of Sections 8 and 9 hereof shall at all times be effective and shall survive such termination.

12. No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility. The Company acknowledges and agrees that: (i) the purchase and sale of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement, including the determination of the public offering price of the Securities and any related discounts and commissions, is an arm's-length commercial transaction between the Company, on the one hand, and the several Underwriters, on the other hand, and the Company is capable of evaluating and understanding and understands and accepts the terms, risks and conditions of the transactions contemplated by this Agreement; (ii) in connection with each transaction contemplated hereby and the process leading to such transaction each Underwriter is and has been acting solely as a principal and is not the financial advisor, agent or fiduciary of the Company or any of its affiliates, stockholders, creditors or employees or any other party; (iii) no Underwriter has assumed or will assume an advisory, agency or fiduciary responsibility in favor of the Company with respect to any of the transactions contemplated hereby or the process leading thereto (irrespective of whether such Underwriter has advised or is currently advising the Company on other matters) and no Underwriter has any obligation to the Company with respect to the offering contemplated hereby except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement; (iv) the several Underwriters have no obligation to disclose any of such interests by virtue of any advisory, agency or fiduciary relationship; and (v) the Underwriters have not provided any legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplated hereby and the Company has consulted its own legal, accounting, regulatory or tax advice with respect to the offering contemplat

This Agreement supersedes all prior agreements and understandings (whether written or oral) between the Company and the several Underwriters, or any of them, with respect to the subject matter hereof. The Company hereby waives and releases, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any claims that the Company may have against the several Underwriters with respect to any breach or alleged breach of agency or fiduciary duty.

13. <u>Representations and Indemnities to Survive Delivery</u>. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company, its officers and the several Underwriters set forth in or made pursuant to this Agreement will remain operative and in full force and effect, regardless of any (A) investigation, or statement as to the results thereof, made by or on behalf of any Underwriter, the Company, the officers or employees of any Underwriter, the Company, or any person controlling the Underwriter or (B) acceptance of the Securities and payment for them hereunder. The provisions of Section 5, Section 7, Section 8, Section 9, this Section 13 and Section 17 hereof shall survive the termination or cancellation of this Agreement.

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14. Notices

All communications hereunder shall be in writing and shall be mailed, hand delivered or telecopied and confirmed to the parties hereto as follows:

If to the Representatives:

Goldman, Sachs & Co. 200 West Street New York, NY 10282 Attention: Registration Department Toll-free number: (866) 471-2526

with copies to:

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated One Bryant Park New York, NY 10036 Facsimile: (212) 901-7897 Attention: Syndicate Department with a copy to ECM Legal

and

Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP 80 Pine Street New York, NY 10005 Facsimile: (212) 701-3849 Attention: James J. Clark, Esq. William J. Miller, Esq.

If to the Company:

Graphic Packaging Holding Company 814 Livingston Court Marietta, GA 30067 Facsimile: (770) 644-3232 Attention: Laura Lynn Smith

with a copy to:

Alston & Bird LLP One Atlantic Center 1201 West Peachtree Street Atlanta, GA 30309 Facsimile: (404) 881-7777 Attention: William Scott Ortwein, Esq. Justin R. Howard, Esq.

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Any party hereto may change the address for receipt of communications by giving written notice to the others.

15. Successors and Assigns. This Agreement will inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the parties hereto, including any substitute Underwriters pursuant to Section 10 hereof, and to the benefit of (i) the Company, its directors, any person who controls the Company within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and any officer of the Company who signed the Registration Statement, (ii) the Underwriters, the officers, directors, employees and agents of the Underwriters, and each person, if any, who controls any Underwriter within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act, and (iii) the respective successors and assigns of any of the above, all as and to the extent provided in this Agreement, and no other person shall acquire or have any right under or by virtue of this Agreement. The term "successors and assigns" shall not include a purchaser of any of the Securities from any of the several Underwriters merely because of such purchase.

16. <u>Partial Unenforceability</u>. The invalidity or unenforceability of any Section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any other Section, paragraph or provision of this Agreement is for any reason determined to be invalid or unenforceable, there shall be deemed to be made such minor changes (and only such minor changes) as are necessary to make it valid and enforceable.

17. Governing Law Provisions.

(a) THIS AGREEMENT AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING RELATED TO THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, AND CONSTRUED AND INTERPRETED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICTS OF LAW PRINCIPLES THEREOF.

(b) Consent to Jurisdiction. Any legal suit, action or proceeding arising out of or based upon this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby (**Related Proceedings**") may be instituted in the federal courts of the United States of America located in the City and County of New York or the courts of the State of New York in each case located in the City and County of New York (collectively, the "**Specified Courts**"), and each party irrevocably submits to the exclusive jurisdiction (except for suits, actions, or proceedings instituted in regard to the enforcement of a judgment of any Specified Court in a Related Proceeding (a "**Related Judgment**"), as to which such jurisdiction is non-exclusive) of the Specified Courts in any Related Proceeding. Service of any process, summons, notice or document by mail to such party's address set forth above shall be effective service of process for any Related Proceeding brought in any Specified Court. The parties irrevocably and unconditionally waive any objection to the laying of venue of any Related Proceeding in the Specified Court sand irrevocably and unconditionally waive and agree not to plead or claim in any Specified Court that any Related Proceeding brought in any Specified Court forum.

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18. <u>General Provisions</u>. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement of the parties to this Agreement and supersedes all prior written or oral and all contemporaneous oral agreements, understandings and negotiations with respect to the subject matter hereof. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, each one of which shall be an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto and hereto were upon the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page to this Agreement by telecopier, facsimile, email or other electronic transmission (i.e., "pdf" or "tif") shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement. This Agreement may not be amended or modified unless in writing by all of the parties hereto, and no condition herein (express or implied) may be waived unless waived in writing by each party whom the condition is meant to benefit. The Section headings herein are for the convenience of the parties only and shall not affect the construction or interpretation of this Agreement.

Each of the parties hereto acknowledges that it is a sophisticated business person who was adequately represented by counsel during negotiations regarding the provisions hereof, including, without limitation, the indemnification provisions of Section 8 and the contribution provisions of Section 9, and is fully informed regarding said provisions. Each of the parties hereto further acknowledges that the provisions of Sections 8 and 9 hereto fairly allocate the risks in light of the ability of the parties to investigate the Company, its affairs and its business in order to assure that adequate disclosure has been made in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus (and any amendments and supplements thereto), as required by the Securities Act and the Exchange Act.



If the foregoing is in accordance with your understanding of our agreement, kindly sign and return to the Company the enclosed copies hereof, whereupon this instrument, along with all counterparts hereof, shall become a binding agreement in accordance with its terms.

Very truly yours,

GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING COMPANY

Urun By:

Name: Stephen A. Hellrung Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

SIGNATURE PAGE TO UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT

The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted by the Representatives as of the date first above written.

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED Acting as Representatives of the several Underwriters named in the attached <u>Schedule A</u>

By: Goldman, Sachs & Co.

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(Goldman, Sachs & Co.)

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The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted by the Representatives as of the date first above written.

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED Acting as Representatives of the several Underwriters named in the attached <u>Schedule A</u>

By: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated

By:

Name: Scott Robertson Title: Managing Director, Equity Capital Markets

SIGNATURE PAGE TO UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT

SCHEDULE A

The initial public offering price per share for the Securities shall be \$4.75.

The purchase price per share for the Securities to be paid by the several Underwriters shall be \$4.53625, being an amount equal to the initial public offering price set forth above less \$0.21375 per share, subject to adjustment in accordance with Section 2(b) for dividends or distributions declared by the Company and payable on the Initial Securities but not payable on the Option Securities.

	Number of
Name of Underwriter	Initial Securities
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	11,750,000
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated	11,750,000
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	9,400,000
Deutsche Bank Securities Inc.	7,050,000
Oppenheimer & Co. Inc.	3,525,000
Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated	3,525,000
Total	47,000,000

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SCHEDULE C

<u>Subsidiaries</u>

Graphic Packaging Corporation Graphic Packaging International, Inc. Bluegrass Container Canada Holdings, LLC Bluegrass Flexible Packaging Company, LLC Bluegrass Labels Company, LLC Bluegrass Multiwall Bag Company, LLC Field Container Queretaro (USA), LLC Graphic Packaging Flexible Holdings, LLC Handschy Holdings, LLC Handschy Industries, LLC Riverdale Industries, LLC

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SCHEDULE D

Pricing Terms

1. The Company is selling 47,000,000 shares of Common Stock.

2. The Company has granted an option to the Underwriters, severally and not jointly, to purchase up to an additional 7,050,000 shares of Common Stock.

3. The initial public offering price per share for the Securities shall be \$4.75.

Schedule D-1

SCHEDULE E

List of Persons and Entities Subject to Lock-Up

Directors and Named Executive Officers:

George V. Bayly G. Andrea Botta Kevin R. Burns Kevin J. Conway Jeffrey Liaw(1) Harold R. Logan, Jr Michael G. MacDougall John R. Miller David W. Scheible Robert W. Tieken Lynn A. Wentworth Daniel J. Blount Michael P. Doss Stephen A. Hellrung Michael R. Schmal

Shareholders:

TPG Entities

- TPG Bluegrass IV-AIV 1, L.P.
- TPG Bluegrass IV-AIV 2, L.P.
- TPG Bluegrass V-AIV 1, L.P.
- TPG Bluegrass V-AIV 2, L.P.
- TPG FOF V-A, L.P.
- TPG FOF V-B, L.P.

Jeffrey H. Coors

- Adolph Coors Foundation
- Adolph Coors, Jr. Trust Dated September 12, 1969
- Grover C. Coors Trust Dated August 7, 1952
- May Kistler Coors Trust Dated September 24, 1965
- Augusta Coors Collbran Trust Dated July 5, 1946
- Bertha Coors Munroe Trust Dated July 5, 1946
- Louise Coors Porter Trust Dated July 5, 1946
- Herman F. Coors Trust Dated July 5, 1946

Clayton, Dubilier & Rice Fund V Limited Partnership Old Town S.A.

Schedule E-1

EXHIBIT A-1

Opinion of counsel for the Company to be delivered pursuant to Section 6(d)(i) of the Underwriting Agreement.

References to the Prospectus in this Exhibit A include any supplements thereto at the Closing Time.

(i) The Company is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

(ii) The Company has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and to enter into and perform its obligations under the Underwriting Agreement.

(iii) The Company is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except for such jurisdictions where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Change.

(iv) Each subsidiary is validly existing as a corporation in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its incorporation, has corporate power and authority to own, lease and operate its properties and to conduct its business as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus and, to the best knowledge of such counsel, is duly qualified as a foreign corporation to transact business and is in good standing in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is required, whether by reason of the ownership or leasing of property or the conduct of business, except for such jurisdictions where the failure to so qualify or to be in good standing would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Change.

(v) The Underwriting Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company.

(vi) The Securities have been duly authorized by the Company for issuance and sale to the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement, are validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

(vii) The statements in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus under the captions "Risk Factors," "Description of the Capital Stock," and "Certain U.S. Federal Income and Estate Tax Consequences to Non-U.S. Holders of Common Stock," insofar as such statements constitute matters of law, summaries of legal matters, the Company's charter or by-law provisions, documents or legal proceedings, or legal conclusions, have been reviewed by such counsel and fairly present and summarize, in all material respects, the matters referred to therein.

(viii) The Registration Statement has become effective under the Securities. Any required filing of the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act has been made in the manner and within the time period required by Rule 424(b) of

Exhibit A-1-1

the Securities Act. Any required filing of any "issuer free writing prospectus" mutually expressly agreed by the Company and you pursuant to Section 4 of the Underwriting Agreement to be used by the Company and of which such counsel has actual knowledge has been made in the manner and within the time period required by Rule 433 of the Securities Act.

(ix) The Registration Statement and the Prospectus and each amendment or supplement to the Registration Statement and the Prospectus, as of their respective effective or issue dates (other than the financial statements and supporting schedules and other financial or data included or incorporated by reference therein or in exhibits to or excluded from the Registration Statement, and the Trustee's Statement of Eligibility on Form T-1, as to which no opinion need be rendered) comply as to form in all material respects with the applicable requirements of the Securities Act.

(x) No consent, approval, authorization or other order of, or registration or filing with, any court or other governmental or regulatory authority or agency, is required for the Company's execution, delivery and performance of the Underwriting Agreement, and the issuance and delivery of the Securities, or consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby and by the Prospectus and the Disclosure Package, except such as have been obtained or made by the Company and are in full force and effect under the Securities Act, applicable state securities or blue sky laws.

(xi) The issuance and sale of the Securities, execution and delivery of the Underwriting Agreement by the Company, the performance by the Company of its obligations thereunder and the consummation of the transactions contemplated therein (other than performance by the Company of its obligations under the indemnification section of the Underwriting Agreement, as to which no opinion need be rendered): (i) have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate action on the part of the Company; (ii) will not result in any violation of the provisions of the charter or by-laws of the Company; (iii) will not constitute a breach of, or Default or a Debt Repayment Triggering Event under, or result in the creation or imposition of any lien, charge or encumbrance upon any property or assets of the Company or any of its subsidiaries pursuant to, the Company's Credit Agreement, the Senior Note Indenture; or (iv) will not result in any violation of any U.S. Federal or New York law or administrative regulation or any provision of the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware applicable to the Company or any subsidiary.

(xii) The Company is not, and after receipt of payment for the Securities will not be, an "investment company" within the meaning of Investment Company Act.

In addition, such counsel shall state that they have participated in conferences with officers and other representatives of the Company, representatives of the independent public or certified public accountants for the Company and representatives of the Underwriters at which the contents of the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package, the Prospectus, and any supplements or amendments thereto, and related matters were discussed and, although such counsel is not passing upon and does not assume any responsibility for the accuracy, completeness or fairness of the statements contained in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus or any documents that constitute part of the Disclosure Package including the documents incorporated by reference therein (other than as specified above), and any supplements or amendments thereto, on the basis of the foregoing, nothing has come to their attention which would lead them to believe that (i)

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either the Registration Statement or any amendments thereto, at the time the Registration Statement or such amendments became effective, contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact required to be stated therein or necessary in order to make the statements therein not misleading; (ii) the Prospectus, as of its date or at the Closing Time contained an untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or (iii) the Disclosure Package, as of the Applicable Time, contained any untrue statement of a material fact or omitted to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of or omitted to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein, in the light of the state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements or schedules or other financial data derived therefrom, included or incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Prospectus, the Disclosure Package or any amendments or supplements thereto).

In rendering such opinion, such counsel may rely (A) as to matters involving the application of laws of any jurisdiction other than the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, the New York Corporation Law or the federal law of the United States, to the extent they deem proper and specified in such opinion, upon the opinion (which shall be dated the Closing Time shall be satisfactory in form and substance to the Underwriters, shall expressly state that the Underwriters may rely on such opinion as if it were addressed to them and shall be furnished to the Representatives) of other counsel of good standing whom they believe to be reliable and who are satisfactory to counsel for the Underwriters; provided, however, that such counsel shall further state that they believe that they and the Underwriters are justified in relying upon such opinion of other counsel, and (B) as to matters of fact, to the extent they deem proper, on certificates of responsible officers of the Company and public officials.

Exhibit A-1-3

Opinion of general counsel for the Company to be delivered pursuant to Section 5(d)(ii) of the Purchase Agreement.

(i) The documents incorporated by reference in the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus (other than the financial statements and financial schedules therein, as to which no opinion need be rendered), when they were filed with the Commission, complied as to form in all material respects with the requirements of the Exchange Act.

(ii) There are no pending actions, suits or proceedings against or affecting the Company or its subsidiaries (i) that involve the issuance of the Securities or the transactions contemplated by the Underwriting Agreement in connection therewith or (ii) if determined adversely to the Company or its subsidiaries, would individually or in the aggregate have a Material Adverse Effect, or would materially and adversely affect the ability of the Company to perform its obligations under the Underwriting Agreement, or which are otherwise material in the context of the sale of the Securities; and no such actions, suits or proceedings are threatened or, to such counsel's knowledge, contemplated.

In addition, such counsel shall state that, to his knowledge, neither the Company nor any subsidiary is in violation of its charter or by-laws or any law, administrative regulation or administrative or court decree applicable to the Company or any subsidiary or is in Default in the performance or observance of any obligation, agreement, covenant or condition contained in any material Existing Instrument, except in each such case for such violations or Defaults as would not, individually or in the aggregate, result in a Material Adverse Change.

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GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. 200 West Street New York, NY 10282

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED

One Bryant Park New York, New York 10036

as Representatives of the several Underwriters to be named in the within-mentioned Underwriting Agreement

Re: Proposed Public Offering by Graphic Packaging Holding Company

Dear Sirs:

The undersigned, a stockholder [and an officer and/or director] of Graphic Packaging Holding Company, Delaware corporation (the "Company"), understands that Goldman, Sachs & Co., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated propose to enter into a Underwriting Agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") with the Company and the Selling Shareholder(s) providing for the public offering of shares (the "Securities") of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock"). In recognition of the benefit that such an offering will confer upon the undersigned as a stockholder [and an officer and/or director] of the Company, and for other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned agrees with each underwriter to be named in the Underwriting Agreement that, during the period beginning on the date that is 90 days from the date of the Underwriting Agreement (subject to extensions as discussed below), the undersigned will not, without the prior written consent of Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, directly or indirectly, (i) offer, pledge, sell, contract to sell, sell any option or contract to purchase, purchase any option or contract to sell, grant any option, right or warrant for the sale of, or otherwise dispose of or transfer any shares of the Company's Common Stock or any securities into or exchangeable or exercisable for Common Stock, whether now owned or hereafter acquires by the undersigned or with respect to which the undersigned has or hereafter acquires the power of disposition (collectively, the "Lock-Up Securities"), or exercise any right with respect to the registration of any of the Lock-Up Securities, under the Securities Act of 1933, as

amended, or (ii) enter into any swap or any other agreement or any transaction that transfers, in whole or in part, directly or indirectly, the economic consequence of ownership of the Lock-Up Securities, whether any such swap or transaction is to be settled by delivery of Common Stock or other securities, in cash or otherwise. It being understood that this agreement shall not prohibit any officer, on behalf of the Company, from filing or causing to be filed any registration statement of the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, and subject to the conditions below, the undersigned may transfer the Lock-Up Securities without the prior written consent of Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, *provided* that (1) Goldman, Sachs & Co., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated receive a signed lock-up agreement for the balance of the lock-up period from each donee, trustee, distributee, or transferee, as the case may be, (2) any such transfer shall not involve a disposition for value, (3) such transfers are not required to be reported with the Securities and Exchange Commission on Form 4 in accordance with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and (4) the undersigned does not otherwise voluntarily effect any public filing or report regarding such transfers:

(i) as a bona fide gift or gifts; or

(ii) to any trust for the direct or indirect benefit of the undersigned or the immediate family of the undersigned (for purposes of this lock-up agreement,"immediate family" shall mean any relationship by blood, marriage or adoption, not more remote than first cousin); or

(iii) as a distribution to limited partners or stockholders of the undersigned; or

(iv) to the undersigned's affiliates or to any investment fund or other entity controlled or managed by the undersigned.

Furthermore, the undersigned may sell shares of Common Stock of the Company purchased by the undersigned on the open market following the Public Offering if and only if (i) such sales are not required to be reported in any public report or filing with the Securities Exchange Commission, or otherwise and (ii) the undersigned does not otherwise voluntarily effect any public filing or report regarding such sales.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if:

(1) during the last 17 days of the 90-day lock-up period, the Company issues an earnings release or material news or a material event relating to the Company occurs; or

(2) prior to the expiration of the 90-day lock-up period, the Company announces that it will release earnings results or becomes aware that material news or a material event will occur during the 16-day period beginning on the last day of the 90-day lock-up period,

the restrictions imposed by this lock-up agreement shall continue to apply until the expiration of the 18-day period beginning on the issuance of the earnings release or the occurrence of the material news or material event, as applicable, unless Goldman, Sachs & Co. and Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated waive, in writing, such extension.

The undersigned agrees that, prior to engaging in any transaction or taking any other action that is subject to the terms of this lock-up agreement during the period from the date of this lock-up agreement to and including the 34th day following the expiration of the initial 90-day lock-up period, it will give notice thereof to the Company and will not consummate such transaction or take any such action unless it has received written confirmation from the Company that the 90-day lock-up period (as may have been extended pursuant to the previous paragraph) has expired.

The undersigned also agrees and consents to the entry of stop transfer instructions with the Company's transfer agent and registrar against the transfer of the Lock-Up Securities except in compliance with the foregoing restrictions.

Very truly yours,

Signature:

Print Name:

[Form of Chief Financial Officer certificate pursuant to Section 5(i)]

EXHIBIT C

GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING COMPANY

CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER'S CERTIFICATE

April 14, 2011

I, Daniel J. Blount, do hereby certify that I am Chief Financial Officer of Graphic Packaging Holding Company, a Delaware corporation (the"Company"), and, in my capacity as such, do hereby certify that:

- I am providing this certificate in connection with the Company's registration statement, including a base prospectus (the "Base Prospectus"), on Form S-3 (File. No. 333-166324) filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act") and the preliminary prospectus supplement dated April 11, 2011 filed by the Company under the Act relating to the public offering of the Company's common stock, including all documents incorporated by reference therein (together with the Base Prospectus, the "Preliminary Prospectus") and as supplemented by the information identified on <u>Schedule D</u> of the Underwriting Agreement (as defined below) (the "Pricing Terms" and together with the Preliminary Prospectus, the "Disclosure Package").
- 2. I am knowledgeable with respect to the accounting records and internal accounting practices, policies, procedures and controls of the Company and its subsidiaries and as the Chief Financial Officer of the <u>Company</u> have responsibility for financial and accounting matters with respect to the Company and its subsidiaries, including, among other things: (i) preparing <u>quarterly and annual</u> financial statements and related disclosures for the Company in conformity with GAAP and (ii) maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting.
- 3. I have carefully reviewed each of the items disclosed by the Company as circled on the attached pages of the Disclosure Package (attached hereto as Exhibit A) relating to estimated financial information, for the quarter ended and as of March 31, 2011 (the "Recent Development Information") and performed the following procedures with respect to the Recent Development Information: Compared the dollar amounts, ranges, and percentage ranges with the corresponding amounts, or verified the arithmetic accuracy of each such amount or range based upon amounts or percentages, included in the Company's accounting records for the applicable period, or analyses prepared by the Company from its accounting or other internal records for the applicable period, which were prepared in accordance with United States generally accepted accounting principals applied on a consistent basis, and found them to be in agreement.
- 4. The Recent Development Information was determined by the Company on a reasonable basis and in good faith and reflects our current estimates of the results we expect to report upon

completion of the customary quarterly financial close process. Nothing has come to my attention that would lead me to believe that the Recent Development Information is not accurate in all material respects or is unreliable or that the actual financial data and operating results for the three month period ended or as of March 31, 2011 will be materially different from the Recent Development Information.

5. Attached hereto as Exhibit B and Exhibit C, respectively are the calculations and accounting records described in paragraph 3 above.

Each of Alston & Bird LLP and Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP is entitled to rely on this certificate in connection with the opinions that each firm is rendering pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement dated April 14, 2011 by and among the Company and Goldman, Sachs & Co., Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc., Oppenheimer & Co. Inc. and Robert W. Baird & Co. Incorporated, as underwriters relating to the public offering of the Company's common stock.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed and delivered this Officer's Certificate on behalf of the Company as of the date first written above.

Name: Daniel J. Blount Title: Chief Financial Officer

[Signature Page to Chief Financial Officer's Certificate]

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> > April 20, 2011

Graphic Packaging Holding Company 814 Livingston Court Atlanta, Georgia 30067

Re: Prospectus Supplement to Shelf Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-166324)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We have acted as counsel to Graphic Packaging Holding Company, a Delaware corporation (the "<u>Company</u>") in connection with the preparation and filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "<u>Commission</u>") pursuant to Rule 424(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the '<u>Securities Act</u>") of a prospectus supplement, dated April 14, 2011 (the '<u>Prospectus Supplement</u>") to the prospectus, dated July 10, 2011 (the '<u>Base Prospectus</u>," and together with the Prospectus Supplement, the "<u>Prospectus</u>"), included as part of the above-referenced Registration Statement (the '<u>Registration Statement</u>") relating to the offering and sale of 47,000,000 shares (the "<u>Initial Securities</u>") of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share of the Company (the '<u>Common Stock</u>"), and, at the option the Underwriters (as defined below), up to an additional 7,050,000 shares of Common Stock (the "<u>Optional Securities</u>" and, together with the Initial Securities"). The Securities are being issued and sold to the several underwriters (the "<u>Underwriters</u>") named in the Underwriting Agreement dated as of April 14, 2011 (the '<u>Underwriting Agreement</u>") by and among the Company and the Underwriters.

This opinion is being furnished in accordance with the requirements of Item 16 of Form S-3 and Item 601(b)(5) of Regulation S-K under the Securities Act.

In connection with this opinion, we have examined (i) the Company's Restated Certificate of Incorporation, (ii) the Company's Amended and Restated Bylaws, (iii) records of proceedings of the Board of Directors of the Company, or committees thereof, (iv) the Registration Statement; (v) the Prospectus; and (vi) the documents filed by the Company pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and incorporated by reference to the Prospectus as of the date hereof. We also have made such further legal and factual examinations and investigations as we deemed necessary for purposes of expressing the opinion set forth herein.

As to certain factual matters relevant to this opinion letter, we have relied conclusively upon the representations and warranties made in the Underwriting Agreement by the parties

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thereto and originals or copies, certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such other records, agreements, documents and instruments, including certificates or comparable documents of officers of the Company and of public officials, as we have deemed appropriate as a basis for the opinion hereinafter set forth.

In rendering our opinion set forth below, we have assumed, without any independent verification, (i) the legal capacity of all natural persons, (ii) the genuineness of all signatures, (iii) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals, and (iv) the conformity to the original documents of all documents submitted to us as conformed, facsimile, photostatic or electronic copies.

Our opinion set forth herein is limited to the General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware, applicable provisions of the Constitution of the State of Delaware and reported judicial decisions interpreting such General Corporation Law and Constitution. We do not express any opinion herein with respect to any other laws.

The only opinion rendered by us consists of those matters set forth in the eighth paragraph hereof, and no opinion may be implied or inferred beyond the opinion expressly stated. Our opinion expressed herein is as of the date hereof, and we undertake no obligation to advise you of any changes in applicable law or any other matters that may come to our attention after the date hereof that may affect our opinion expressed herein.

Based upon the foregoing and subject to all of the other limitations, qualifications and assumptions set forth herein, it is our opinion that the Securities, when the Securities have been duly issued and delivered by the Company against payment therefor in accordance with such corporate action, and valid book-entry notations have been made in the share register of the Company, then, upon the happening of such events, the Securities will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

This opinion is delivered for use solely in connection with the issuance of the Securities in the transactions contemplated by the Registration Statement, the Prospectus Supplement and the Underwriting Agreement and may not be used, circulated, quoted or otherwise relied upon for any other purpose without our express written consent. No opinion may be implied or inferred beyond the opinion expressly stated above. Our opinion expressed herein is as of the date hereof, and we undertake no obligation to advise you of any changes in applicable law or any other matters that may come to our attention after the date hereof that may affect our opinion express herein.

We consent to the filing of this opinion letter as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K and the incorporation by reference as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the use of our name under the heading "Legal Matters" in the prospectus constituting a part thereof. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission thereunder.

[Signature appears on following page.]

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Alston & Bird LLP

By: /s/ Justin R. Howard Justin R. Howard A Partner