# 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): October 23, 2014

## **GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING COMPANY**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-33988 (Commission File Number) 26-0405422 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

1500 Riveredge Parkway Atlanta, Georgia 30328 (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 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))			
	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 October 23, 2014, Graphic Packaging Holding Company (the "Company") entered into an Underwriting Agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement"), among the Company and Merill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representative of the several underwriters named therein (together, the "Underwriters"), relating to the Company's public offering of \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of its 4.875% Notes due 2022 (the "Notes").

The offering of the Notes was made pursuant to the Company's shelf registration statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-197680) filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on July 28, 2014, including a related prospectus and prospectus supplement filed with the SEC on July 28, 2014 and October 24, 2014, respectively.

Pursuant to the Underwriting Agreement, the Company has agreed to sell the Notes to the Underwriters, and the Underwriters have agreed to purchase the Notes for resale to the public. The Underwriting Agreement includes customary representations, warranties and covenants by the Company. It also provides for customary indemnification by each of the Company and the Underwriters against certain liabilities and customary contribution provisions in respect of those liabilities.

The Company expects the offering of the Notes to close on or about November 6, 2014, subject to customary closing conditions.

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.

The Company is filing this Current Report on Form 8-K to file with the Securities and Exchange Commission certain items related to the offering of the Senior Notes that are to be incorporated by reference into its Registration Statement on Form S-3 (Registration No. 333-197680).

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

1.1 Underwriting Agreement, dated as of October 23, 2014, among Graphic Packaging Holding Company and Merill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, as representative of the several underwriters named therein.

## 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: October 29, 2014

By: /s/ Lauren S. Tashma
Lauren S. Tashma
Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

Graphic Packaging International, Inc.

Graphic Packaging Holding Company Graphic Packaging Corporation and the other Guarantors party hereto

#### UNDERWRITING AGREEMENT

dated October 23, 2014

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated J.P. Morgan Securities LLC
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.
Goldman, Sachs & Co.
Rabo Securities USA, Inc.
BBVA Securities Inc.
Regions Securities ILC
Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.
SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.
TD Securities (USA) LLC
PNC Capital Markets LLC
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.

#### **Underwriting Agreement**

October 23, 2014

MERRILL LYNCH, PIERCE, FENNER & SMITH INCORPORATED
One Bryant Park
New York, New York 10036
As Representative of the several Underwriters named on Schedule A hereto

#### Ladies and Gentlemen:

Introductory. Graphic Packaging International, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company") and an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Graphic Packaging Holding Company, a Delaware corporation ("Parent"), proposes to issue and sell to the several underwriters named in Schedule A hereto (the "Underwriters"), for whom Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated ("Merrill Lynch") is acting as the representative (the "Representative"), \$250,000,000 principal amount of its 4.875% Senior Notes due 2022 (the "Notes"). The Notes will be guaranteed on a senior unsecured basis, jointly and severally, by (i) the Parent Guarantors (as defined below), (ii) the Subsidiary Guarantors listed on Schedule B hereto and (iii) any subsidiary of the Company formed or acquired after the Closing Date that executes an additional guarantee in accordance with the terms of the Indenture, and their respective successors and assigns (the entities described in clauses (ii) and (iii), collectively, the "Subsidiary Guarantors" and, together with the Parent Guarantors, the "Guarantors"), pursuant to their guarantees (collectively the "Guarantees"). The Notes and the Guarantees are collectively referred to herein as the "Securities." The Securities will be issued pursuant to an indenture to be dated as of the Closing Date (as defined in Section 3 hereof) (the Base Indenture") and as supplemented by a supplemental indenture to be dated as of the Closing Date (the Supplemental Indenture" and, together with the Base Indenture, "Indenture"), among the Company, Parent, Graphic Packaging Corporation, a direct wholly-owned subsidiary of Parent (GPC" and, together with Parent, the "Parent Guarantors"), the Subsidiary Guarantors and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (the "Trustee"). The use of the neuter in this Underwriting Agreement (this "Agreement") shall include the feminine and masculine wherever appropriate.

- 1. Representations and Warranties. The Company and each Guarantor, jointly and severally, represent and warrant to, and agree 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**") an automatic shelf registration statement on FormS-3 (File No. 333-197680), 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, schedules thereto and all documents incorporated by reference in the prospectus contained therein, 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 "Exchange Act"), is called the "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 or Prospectus, as the case may be, under the Exchange Act, and incorporated by reference in such Preliminary Prospectus or Prospectus, as the case may be, and 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 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.

(b) Compliance with Registration Requirements. The Company meets the requirements for use of FormS-3 under the Securities Act. The Registration Statement became effective upon filing with the Commission on July 28, 2014. 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 and the Guarantors, 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 Date (as defined herein), 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 Date, did not and 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 representations and warranties set forth in the two

immediately preceding sentences do not apply to statements in or omissions from the Registration Statement or any post-effective amendment thereto, or the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus, or any amendments or supplements thereto, made or omitted in reliance upon and in conformity with information relating to any Underwriter furnished to the Company in writing by the Representative expressly for use therein, it being understood and agreed that such information furnished by the Representative consists only of the information described as such in Section 8(b) hereof.

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 or deemed to be 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 Disclosure Package, at the Applicable Time (as defined herein) and, when taken together with the other information in the Prospectus, at the Closing Date, 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 Schedule C 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 Final Term Sheet (as defined herein), which also shall be identified on Schedule C hereto. As of 5:30 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 Representative 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 Representative 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 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 Representative 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 Schedule C hereto, when taken together with the Disclosure Package, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the Disclosure Package, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the Disclosure Package, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the Disclosure Package, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to make the Disclosure Package, did not, and at the Closing Date will not, contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary in order to
- (f) Distribution of Offering Material by the Company and the Guarantors. Neither the Company nor any Guarantor has distributed or will distribute, prior to the later of the Closing Date 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 Representative.
- (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, have not incurred any 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 of capital stock, or repurchase or redemption by the Company or any of its subsidiaries of any class of capital stock.

- (i) Incorporation and Good Standing of the Company and Its Subsidiaries. Each of the Company and the Guarantors 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 and the Guarantors, to enter into and perform its obligations (to the extent it is party thereto) under each of this Agreement, the Securities and the Indenture. 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 jurisdictions 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 non-assessable 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 September 30, 2014, on a consolidated basis, after giving pro forma effect to the issuance and sale of the Notes pursuant hereto and the application of proceeds therefrom as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the caption "Use of Proceeds", Parent 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 Notes. The Notes to be purchased by the Underwriters from the Company are in the form contemplated by the Indenture, have been duly authorized for issuance and sale to the Underwriters pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and, at the Closing Date, will have been duly executed by the Company and, when authenticated by the Trustee in the manner provided for in the Indenture (assuming the due authorization, execution and delivery of the Indenture by the Trustee) and delivered against payment of the purchase price therefor, will constitute valid and binding agreements of the Company, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles and the discretion of the court before which any proceeding therefor may be brought and will be entitled to the benefits of the

Indenture. The Guarantees are in the respective forms contemplated by the Indenture, have been duly authorized for issuance and sale pursuant to this Agreement and the Indenture and, as related to the Guarantees at the Closing Date, will have been duly executed by each of the Guarantors and, when the Notes have been authenticated by the Trustee in the manner provided for in the Indenture and delivered against payment of the purchase price therefor, will constitute valid and binding agreements of the Guarantors, enforceable in accordance with their terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles and the discretion of the court before which any proceeding therefor may be brought and will be entitled to the benefits of the Indenture.

- (1) The Indenture. The Indenture has been duly qualified under the Trust Indenture Act. The Indenture has been duly authorized by the Company and the Guarantors, the Base Indenture and the Supplemental Indenture will have been duly executed by the Company and the Guarantors at the Closing Date. The Indenture (assuming due authorization, execution and delivery by the Trustee) will constitute a valid and binding agreement of the Company and the Guarantors, enforceable against the Company and the Guarantors in accordance with its terms, except as the enforcement thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other similar laws relating to or affecting the rights and remedies of creditors or by general equitable principles and the discretion of the court before which any proceedings therefor may be brought.
- (m) Description of Documents. The Securities and the Indenture will conform in all material respects to the descriptions thereof in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus under the caption "Description of the Notes."
- (n) Regulations T, U and X. Neither the Company nor any Guarantor nor any of their respective 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.
- (o) 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 agreement, 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 Indenture, the Company's Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, effective as of October 2, 2014 (the "Credit Agreement"), the indenture, dated as of September 29, 2010, governing the Company's 7.875% Senior Notes due 2018 (the "2018 Senior Indenture"), and the supplemental indenture, dated as of April 2, 2013, governing the Company's 4.75% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "2021 Senior 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 Indenture, 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, 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 Indenture, 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.

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

- (q) 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.
- (r) 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) and supporting schedules 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 or any of the Guarantors have been approved by the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Parent.
- (s) 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 Parent 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 under the captions "Summary—Summary Financial and Other Information," and "Capitalization," or incorporated by reference in the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus from Parent'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 Statement. The Company's ratios of earnings to fixed charges set forth in each of the Preliminary Prospectus and the Prospectus under the caption "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 Regulat
  - (t) Underwriting Agreement. This Agreement has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Company and each Guarantor.

- (u) 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. Neither the Company nor any of its 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.
- (v) 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.
- (w) *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.
- (x) 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 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(s) 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.

- (y) 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). Neither the Company nor any of the Guarantors is, 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 be, an "investment company" within the meaning of the Investment Company Act.
- (z) 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.
- (aa) No Restrictions on Dividends. No subsidiary of the Company is currently prohibited, directly or indirectly, from paying any dividends to the Company, from making any other distribution on such subsidiary's shares of capital stock or other ownership interests, from repaying to the Company any loans or advances to such subsidiary from the Company or from transferring any of such subsidiary's property or assets to the Company or any other subsidiary of the Company, except as described in or contemplated by the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus.
- (bb) Solvency. The Company and the Guarantors taken as a whole are, and immediately after the Closing Date will be, Solvent. As used herein, the term 'Solvent' means, with respect to any person on a particular date, that on such date (i) the fair market value of the assets of such person is greater than the total amount of liabilities (including contingent liabilities) of such person, (ii) the present fair salable value of the assets of such person is greater than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liabilities of such person on its debts as they become absolute and matured, (iii) such person is able to realize upon its assets and pay its debts and other liabilities, including contingent obligations, as they mature and (iv) such person does not have unreasonably small capital.
- (cc) 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.

- (dd) 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 discrimination in hiring, promotion or pay of employees or of any applicable wage or hour laws.
- (ee) 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 Parent'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.
- (ff) Parent's Accounting System. Parent 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.
- (gg) Disclosure Controls and Procedures. Parent 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 Parent and its subsidiaries is made known to the chief executive officer and chief financial officer of Parent by others within Parent 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; Parent's auditors and the Audit Committee of the Board of Directors of Parent 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 Parent's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data; and (ii) any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a role in Parent's internal control over 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, including any corrective actions with regard to significant deficiencies and material weaknesses.

(hh) No Unlawful Contributions or Other Payments. Neither the Company nor any of its subsidiaries nor, to the knowledge of the Company and the Guarantors, 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.

- (ii) 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.
- (jj) 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.

(kk) 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 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 Law or form the basis of a potential Environmental Claim against the Company or any of its subsidiaries or against 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.

(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.

(mm) 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 provisions 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, 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 has incurred or reasonably expects to incur any liability under (i) Title IV of ERISA with respect to termination of, or withdrawal from, any "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

- (nn) *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.
- (oo) Sarbanes-Oxley Compliance. Parent 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).
- (pp) *Ratings*. No "nationally recognized statistical rating organization" (as defined in Section 3(a)(62) of the Exchange 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 or 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.

- (qq) Subsidiaries. The subsidiaries listed on <u>Schedule D</u> attached hereto are the only significant subsidiaries of Parent as defined byRule 1-02 of Regulation S-X (the "Subsidiaries").
- (rr) Lending Relationship. Except as disclosed in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, the Company (i) does not have any material lending or other relationship 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.
- (ss) 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.
  - (tt) Stock Options. There are no stock options outstanding to purchase any capital stock of Parent.
- (uu) 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.
- (vv) Well-Known Seasoned Issuer. (i) At the time of filing the Registration Statement, (ii) at the time of the most recent amendment thereto for the purposes of complying with Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act (whether such amendment was by post-effective amendment, incorporated report filed pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act or form of prospectus), (iii) at the time the Company or any person acting on its behalf (within the meaning, for this clause only, of Rule 163(c) of the Securities Act) made any offer relating to the Securities in reliance on the exemption of Rule 163 of the Securities Act, and (iv) at the Applicable Time (with such date and time being used as the determination date for purposes of this clause (iv)), the Company was and is a "well-known seasoned issuer" as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act. The Registration Statement is an "automatic shelf registration statement," as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act that has been filed with the Commission not earlier than three years prior to the Closing Date; the Company has not received from the Commission any notice pursuant to Rule 401(g)(2) of the Securities Act objecting to use of the automatic shelf registration statement form; and the Company has not otherwise ceased to be eligible to use the automatic shelf registration form.

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

2. <u>Purchase and Sale</u>. Each of the Company and the Guarantors agree to issue and sell to the several Underwriters the Securities upon the terms herein set forth and, on the basis of the representations, warranties and agreements and upon the terms but subject to the conditions herein set forth, the Underwriters agree, severally and not jointly, to purchase from the Company and the Guarantors the respective aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth opposite their names on <u>Schedule A</u>. The purchase price per Security to be paid by the several Underwriters to the Company shall be equal to 98.55% of the principal amount thereof.

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

- (a) Delivery of certificates for the Securities to be purchased by the Underwriters and payment therefor shall be made at the offices of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, 80 Pine Street, New York, NY 10005 (or such other place as may be agreed to by the Company and the Representative) at 9:00 a.m. (New York City time), on November 6, 2014 or such other time and date not later than the fifth business day thereafter as the Representative shall designate by notice to the Company (the time and date of such closing are called the "Closing Date"). Delivery of the Securities shall be made through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company (DTC") unless the Representative shall otherwise instruct. Time shall be of the essence, and delivery at the time and place specified in this Agreement is a further condition to the obligations of the Underwriters.
- (b) Public Offering of the Notes. The Representative hereby advise the Company that the Underwriters intend to offer for sale to the public, as described in the Disclosure Package and the Prospectus, their respective portions of the Notes as soon after this Agreement has been executed the Representative, in their sole judgment, have determined is advisable and practicable.
  - (c) Payment for the Notes. Payment for the Notes shall be made on the Closing Date by wire transfer of immediately available funds to the order of the Company.
- It is understood that the Representative has been authorized, for its own account and the accounts of the several Underwriters, to accept delivery of and receipt for, and make payment of the purchase price for, the Notes. Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, individually and not as the Representative of the Underwriters, may (but shall not be obligated to) make payment for any Notes to be purchased by any Underwriter whose funds shall not have been received by the Representative by the Closing Date for the account of such Underwriter, but any such payment shall not relieve such Underwriter from any of its obligations hereunder.
- (d) Delivery of Prospectus to the Underwriters. Not later than 10:00 a.m. on the second business day following the date the Notes 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 Representative shall reasonably request.

- 4. Covenants. The Company and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, covenant and agree with each of the Underwriters as follows:
- (a) Representative's Review of Proposed Amendments and Supplements. During the period beginning at the Applicable Time and ending on the later of the Closing Date 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 Representative for review a copy of each such proposed amendment or supplement, and the Company shall not file or use any such proposed amendment or supplement to which the Representative reasonably objects.
- (b) Securities Act Compliance. After the date of this Agreement and during the Prospectus Delivery Period, the Company shall promptly advise the Representative 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, 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 Notes 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 or Rule 401(g)(2) 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 w
- (c) Exchange Act Compliance. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, Parent 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) Final Term Sheet. The Company will prepare a final term sheet in a form approved by the Representative, and will file such term sheet pursuant to Rule 433(d) under the Securities Act within the time required by such rule (such term sheet, the "Final Term Sheet").
- (e) Permitted Free Writing Prospectuses. The Company represents that it has not made, and agrees that, unless it obtains the prior written consent of the Representative, it will not make, any offer relating to the Notes 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 Representative hereto shall be deemed to have been given in respect of the Free Writing Prospectuses included in Schedule C hereto and any electronic road show. Any such free writing prospectus consented to by the Representative 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 as an Issuer 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 in the Final Term Sheet of the Company 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 Company's consent which consent shall be confirmed in writing that would result in the Company being required to
- (f) 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, or to file under the Exchange Act any document incorporated by reference in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, 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 in the opinion of the Representative it is otherwise necessary to amend or supplement the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or to file under the Exchange Act any document incorporated by reference in the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or to file a new registration statement containing the Prospectus, in order to comply with law, including in connection with the delivery of the Prospectus, the Company agrees to (i) notify the Representative 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 or any new registration statement to become effective) and furnish at its own expense to the Underwriters and to dealers, amendments or supplements to the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, or any new registration statement, necessary in order to make the statements in 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 so that the Registration Statement, the Disclosure Package or the Prospectus, as amended or supplemented, will comply with law.

- (g) Copies of Any Amendments and Supplements to the Prospectus. The Company agrees to furnish to the Representative, 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 Representative may reasonably request.
- (h) Copies of the Registration Statements and the Prospectus. The Company will furnish to the Representative 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 Representative may reasonably request.
- (i) Blue Sky Compliance. Each of the Company and the Guarantors shall reasonably cooperate with the Representative 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. None of the Company or any of the Guarantors shall 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, each of the Company and the Guarantors shall use its best efforts to obtain the withdrawal thereof at the earliest possible moment.

- (j) Filing Fees. The Company shall pay the required Commission filing fees relating to the Securities within the time required by Rule 456(b)(1) of the Securities Act without regard to the proviso therein and otherwise in accordance with Rules 456(b) and 457(r) of the Securities Act.
  - (k) 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.
  - (l) Agreement Not to Offer to Sell Additional Securities. During the period of 30 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 Merrill Lynch), 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 debt securities of the Company or securities exchangeable for or convertible into debt securities of the Company (other than as contemplated by this Agreement).
  - (m) DTC. The Company shall use commercially reasonable efforts to obtain the approval of DTC to permit the Notes 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 Notes by DTC for "book-entry" transfer.
  - (n) Earnings Statement. As soon as practicable, the Company will make generally available to its security holders and to the Representative 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.
  - (o) Compliance with Sarbanes-Oxley Act. During the Prospectus Delivery Period, Parent and its subsidiaries 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 Parent'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.
  - (p) Future Reports to the Representative. During the period of two years hereafter the Company will furnish to the Representative (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 Parent containing the balance sheet of Parent 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 Parent's independent public or certified public accountants; and (ii) as soon as available, copies of any report or communication of Parent or the Company mailed generally to holders of its capital stock or debt securities (including the holders of the Securities).

- (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.
- (r) Investment Limitation. The Company shall not invest, or otherwise use the proceeds received by the Company from its sale of the Notes 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 and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, agree to pay all costs, fees and expenses incurred in connection with the performance of their 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 and the Guarantors' 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, the Indenture and the Notes and Guarantees, (v) all reasonable filing fees, attorneys' fees and expenses incurred by the Company, the Guarantors 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 of the Trustee, including the fees and expenses of counsel for the Trustee in connection with the Indenture and the Securities, (vii) any fees payable in connection with the rating of the Securities with the ratings agencies, (viii) any filling fees for the review by the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority ("FINRA") of the offering of the Securities, and the reasonable fees and disbursements of counsel to the Underwriters in connection with compliance with FINRA's rules and regulations, (ix) all fees and expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of counsel) of the Company and the Guarantors in connection with approval of the Securities by DTC for "book-entry" transfer, and the performance by the Company and the Guarantors of their respective other obligations under this Agreement and (x) all expenses incident to the "road show" for the offering of the Securities, including the cost of any chartered airplane or other transportation, (x) all other fees, costs and expenses referred to in Item 14 of Part II of the Registration Statement, and (xi) 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 and each Guarantor, respectively, herein are true and correct at and as of the date hereof and the Closing Date, the condition that the Company and each Guarantor shall have performed all of their respective 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 Representative, covering the financial 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 Date 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) the Final Term Sheet, and any other 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 Date:
      - (i) in the reasonable judgment of the Representative 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 defined in Section 3(a)(62) of 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. On the Closing Date, the Underwriters shall have received the favorable opinion of each of (i) Alston & Bird LLP, counsel for the Company, dated as of such Closing Date, the form of which is attached as Exhibit A-1 and (ii) Lauren S. Tashma, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary for the Company, dated as of such Closing Date, the form of which is attached as Exhibit A-2.
- (e) Opinion of Counsel for the Underwriters. On the Closing Date, the Underwriters shall have received the favorable opinion of Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP, counsel for the Underwriters, dated as of such Closing Date, in form and substance satisfactory to, and addressed to, the Underwriters, with respect to the issuance and sale of the Notes, the Registration Statement, the Prospectus (together with any supplement thereto), the Disclosure Package and other related matters as the Representative 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. On the Closing Date, the Representative shall have received a written certificate executed by the Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer or President of the Company and each Guarantor and the Chief Financial Officer or Chief Accounting Officer of the Company and each Guarantor, dated as of the Closing Date, 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 Date, 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 Date with the same force and effect as though expressly made on and as of the Closing Date; 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 Date.
- (g) Bring-down Comfort Letter. On the Closing Date, 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 Representative, 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 Date, as the case may be.

- (h) Form of Securities and Supplemental Indenture. The Securities and the Supplemental Indenture shall be executed by the Company, or the Guarantors, as the case may be, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Representative and the Trustee.
- (i) Closing Documents. On or before the Closing Date, the Company and the Guarantors shall have furnished counsel for the Company, the Guarantors 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 Representative by notice to the Company at any time on or prior to the Closing Date, 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. Reimbursement of Underwriters' Expenses.

(a) If this Agreement is terminated by the Representative pursuant to Section 6 or Section 11, or if the sale to the Underwriters of the Securities on the Closing Date is not consummated because of any refusal, inability or failure on the part of the Company or any Guarantor to perform any agreement herein or to comply with any provision hereof, the Company and the Guarantors, jointly and severally, agree to reimburse the Representative 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 Representative 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 and the Guarantors agree, jointly and severally, 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 Representative) 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 Representative 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 and the Guarantors, Directors and Officers. Each Underwriter agrees, severally and not jointly, to indemnify and hold harmless the Company and the Guarantors, each of their respective directors and officers and each person, if any, who controls the Company or any of the Guarantors 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, any Guarantor 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 Representative expressly for use therein; and to reimburse the Company and the Guarantors, or any such director or controlling person in connection with investigating, defending, settl

action. The Company and the Guarantors hereby acknowledge that the only information that the Underwriters have furnished to the Company through the Representative 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 the fifth paragraph (first sentence), seventh paragraph (third and fourth sentences), ninth paragraph and tenth paragraph 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 indemnity 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 parties similarly notified, by written notice delivered to the indemnified party promptly after receiving the aforesaid notice from such indemnified party, to assume the defense thereof with counsel reasonably satisfactory to such 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 defense 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 (or by Merrill Lynch in the case of Sections 8(b) and 9 hereof), representing the indemnified parties who are parties to such action) or (ii) the indemnifying party shall not have employed counsel satisfactory to the indemnified party to represent the indemnified party within a reasonable time after notice of commencement of the action, in each of which cases the fees and expenses of counsel shall be at the expense of the indemnifying 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 to such reimbursement prior to the date of such settlement. No indemnifying party shall, without the prior written consent of the indemnified party, effect any settlement, compromise or consent to the entry of judgment in any pending or threatened action, suit or proceeding in respect of which any indemnified party is or could have been a party and indemnify was 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. Contribution.

(a) 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 referred to therein (i) in such proportion as is appropriate to reflect the relative benefits received by the Company and the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement or (ii) if the allocation provided by clause (i) above is not permitted by applicable 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 and the Guarantors, 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 and the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, in connection with the offering of the Securities pursuant to this Agreement (before deducting expenses) received by the Company and the Guarantors, 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 and the Guarantors, on the one hand, and the Underwriters, on the other hand, shall be determined by reference to, among other things, whether any such untrue or alleged untrue statement of a material fact or omission or alleged omission to state a material fact or any such in

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 their respective underwriting commitments as set forth opposite their names in Schedule A. For purposes of this Section 9, each director, officer, employee, agent and affiliate 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 or a Guarantor, each officer of the Company or a Guarantor and each person, if any, who controls the Company or a Guarantor within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act shall have the same rights to contribution as the Company and the Guarantors.

#### 10. Default of One or More of the Several Underwriters.

(a) If, on the Closing Date, 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 Schedule A bears to the aggregate principal amount of Securities set forth opposite the names of all such non-defaulting Underwriters, or in such other proportions as may be specified by the Representative with the consent of the non-defaulting Underwriters, to purchase the Securities which such defaulting Underwriter or Underwriters agreed but failed or refused to purchase on such date. If, on the Closing Date, any one or more of the Underwriters hall fail or refuse to purchase Securities and the principal amount of Securities to be purchased on such date, and arrangements satisfactory to the Representative 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 Representative or the Company shall have the right to postpone the Closing Date, but in no event for longer than seven days in order that the required changes, if any, to the Registration Statement, any Issuer Free Writing Prospectus, the Preliminary Prospectus or the Prospectus or any other documents or arrangements may be effected. As used in this Agreement, the term "Underwriter" shall be deemed to include any person substituted for a defaulting Underwriter under this Section 10. Any action taken under this Section 10 shall not relieve any defaulting Underwriter from liability in respect of any default of such Underwriter under this Agreement.

#### 11. Termination of This Agreement.

(a) Prior to the Closing Date this Agreement may be terminated by the Representative 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 Representative 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 or development involving a prospective substantial change in United States' or international political, financial or economic conditions, as in the judgment of the Representative is material 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 Representative 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 or any Guarantor to (c) any party hereto to any other party except that the prov

#### 12. No Advisory or Fiduciary Responsibility.

(a) The Company and each Guarantor acknowledge and agree 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 and such Guarantor, on the one hand, and the several Underwriters, on the other hand, and the Company and such Guarantor are capable of evaluating and understanding and understand and accept 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, the Guarantors or any of their respective 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 or such Guarantor 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 or such Guarantor on other matters) and no Underwriter has any obligation to the Company or such Guarantor with respect to the offering contemplated hereby except the obligations expressly set forth in this Agreement; (iv) the several Underwriters and their respective affiliates may be engaged in a broad range of transactions that involve interests that differ from those of the Company and the Guarantors and that 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 and the Guarantors have consulted their own legal, accounting, regulatory and tax advisors to the extent they deemed appropriate.

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

- 13. Representations and Indemnities to Survive Delivery. The respective indemnities, agreements, representations, warranties and other statements of the Company, the Guarantors, their respective 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, any Guarantor, the officers or employees of any Underwriter, the Company, any Guarantor, 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.
  - 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 Representative:

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

with copies to:

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 or the Guarantors:

Graphic Packaging International, Inc. 814 Livingston Court Marietta, GA 30067 Facsimile: (770) 644-2923 Attention: Brad Ankerholz

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.

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 and the Guarantors, their respective directors, any person who controls the Company or any of the Guarantors within the meaning of the Securities Act and the Exchange Act and any officer of the Company or any Guarantor 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 hereof. If any 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 has been brought in an inconvenient forum. Each party not located in the United States irrevocably appoints CT Corporation System, as its agent to receive service of process or other legal summons for purposes of any Related Proceeding that may be instituted in any Specified Court.

18. General Provisions. 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 INTERNATIONAL, INC.

By: /s/ Daniel J. Blount

Name: Daniel J. Blount

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

#### GRAPHIC PACKAGING CORPORATION

By: /s/ Daniel J. Blount

Name: Daniel J. Blount

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

#### GRAPHIC PACKAGING HOLDING COMPANY

By: /s/ Daniel J. Blount

Name: Daniel J. Blount

Title: Senior Vice President and Chief

Financial Officer

BLUEGRASS CONTAINER CANADA HOLDINGS, LLC BLUEGRASS LABELS COMPANY, LLC FIELD CONTAINER QUERETARO (USA), L.L.C. HANDSCHY HOLDINGS, LLC HANDSCHY INDUSTRIES, LLC RIVERDALE INDUSTRIES, LLC

By: /s/ Daniel J. Blount

Name: Daniel J. Blount Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer The foregoing Agreement is hereby confirmed and accepted by the Representative as of the date first above written.

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Acting as Representative of these veral Underwriters named in the attached  $\underline{\text{Schedule A}}$ 

By: /s/ Justin Neubauer

Name: Justin Neubauer Title: Director

## SCHEDULE A

	Principal Amount of Securities To Be
Underwriters  M. ill. B. C. C. id.	Purchased
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith	A 00 550 000
Incorporated	\$ 93,750,000
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$ 31,250,000
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.	\$ 31,250,000
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.	\$ 18,750,000
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	\$ 12,500,000
Rabo Securities USA, Inc.	\$ 12,500,000
BBVA Securities Inc.	\$ 6,250,000
Regions Securities LLC	\$ 6,250,000
Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.	\$ 6,250,000
SMBC Nikko Securities America, Inc.	\$ 6,250,000
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.	\$ 6,250,000
TD Securities (USA) LLC	\$ 6,250,000
PNC Capital Markets LLC	\$ 6,250,000
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.	\$ 6,250,000
Total	\$ 250,000,000

## SCHEDULE B

### Guarantors

Bluegrass Container Canada Holdings, LLC Bluegrass Labels Company, LLC Field Container Queretaro (USA), L.L.C. Handschy Holdings, LLC Handschy Industries, LLC Riverdale Industries, LLC

## SCHEDULE C

## **Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses**

See Attached.

#### **Issuer Free Writing Prospectuses**

Filed pursuant to Rule 433 Free Writing Prospectus dated October 23, 2014 Registration Statement No. File No. 333-197680

Graphic Packaging International, Inc. Pricing Term Sheet - October 23, 2014

The following information, filed pursuant to Rule 433, supplements the Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated October 23, 2014, filed as part of Registration Statement No. 333-197680

Issuer: Graphic Packaging International, Inc. (the "Issuer") **Principal Amount:** \$250,000,000 **Title of Securities:** 4.875% Senior Notes due 2022 **Final Maturity Date:** November 15, 2022 **Issue Price:** 100.000%, plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any 4.875% Coupon: 4.875% Yield to Maturity: **Interest Payment Dates:** May 15 and November 15, commencing May 15, 2015 **Record Dates:** May 1 and November 1 **Optional Redemption:** At any time prior to August 15, 2022, the Notes may also be redeemed or purchased, in whole or in part, at the Issuer's option, at a price equal to 100% of the

**Optional Redemption Upon Certain Equity Offerings:** 

At any time on or after August 15, 2022, we may redeem the notes, in whole or in part, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest, if any, to the date of redemption.

The Issuer may redeem up to 35% of the aggregate principal amount of the

principal amount thereof plus a "make-whole" premium.

outstanding notes at a redemption price of 104.875% of the principal amount thereof, plus accrued and unpaid interest, prior to November 15, 2017.

Use of Proceeds:
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Trade Date:
Settlement Date:

k-Running Managers and Co-Managers:

**CUSIP and ISIN** Numbers:

The Issuer will use the net proceeds of this offering, together with cash on hand and/or additional borrowings, to refinance, through a redemption, all \$250.0 million aggregate principal amount of its outstanding 7.875% Senior Notes due 2018 at a redemption price equal to 103.938% of the principal amount of the notes redeemed, plus accrued and unpaid interest to, but not including, November 22, 2014, the redemption date, and to pay fees and expenses incurred in connection with this offering and the redemption.

Name		Principal Amount of Notes	
Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith			
Incorporated	\$	93,750,000	
J.P. Morgan Securities LLC	\$	31,250,000	
SunTrust Robinson Humphrey, Inc.	\$	31,250,000	
Citigroup Global Markets Inc.		18,750,000	
Goldman, Sachs & Co.	\$	12,500,000	
Rabo Securities USA, Inc.		12,500,000	
BBVA Securities Inc.		6,250,000	
Regions Securities LLC	\$	6,250,000	
Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc.	\$	6,250,000	
SMBC Nikko Securities America Inc.		6,250,000	
Fifth Third Securities, Inc.		6,250,000	
TD Securities (USA) LLC	\$	6,250,000	
PNC Capital Markets LLC		6,250,000	
HSBC Securities (USA) Inc.		6,250,000	
	\$	250,000,000	

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November 6, 2014 (T+10). We expect that delivery of the notes will be made to investors on or about November 6, 2014, which will be the tenth business day following the date of this prospectus supplement (such settlement being referred to as "T+10"). Under Rule 15c6-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, trades in the secondary market are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade notes prior to the delivery of the notes hereunder will be required, by virtue of the fact that the notes initially settle in T+10, to specify an alternate settlement arrangement at the time of any such trade to prevent a failed settlement. Purchasers of the notes who wish to trade the notes prior to their date of delivery hereunder should consult their advisors.

CUSIP: 38869P AL8 ISIN: US38869PAL85 The information in this communication supersedes the information in the preliminary prospectus supplement to the extent it is inconsistent with such information. Before you invest, you should read the preliminary prospectus supplement (including the documents incorporated by reference therein) for more information concerning the Issuer and the Notes.

The Issuer has filed a registration statement including a prospectus and a prospectus supplement with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") for the offering to which this communication relates. Before you invest, you should read the prospectus and prospectus supplement in that registration statement and other documents the Issuer has filed with the SEC for more complete information about the Issuer and this offering. You may obtain these documents for free by visiting EDGAR on the SEC website at <a href="https://www.sec.gov">www.sec.gov</a>. Alternatively, the Issuer, any Underwriter or any dealer participating in the offering will arrange to send you the prospectus and the prospectus supplement if you request them by calling toll free 1-800-294-1322 or by emailing BofA Merrill Lynch at: <a href="https://december/de

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## **Subsidiaries**

Graphic Packaging Corporation Graphic Packaging International, Inc.