

Notice to Holders of APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD. and, as applicable, APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LLC¹

	Rule 144A Global		Regulation S Global	
	CUSIP	ISIN	CUSIP	ISIN
Class A-1 Notes	03753AAA8	US03753AAA88	G0473AAA6	USG0473AAA63
Class A-J Notes	03753AAC4	US03753AAC45	G0473AAB4	USG0473AAB47
Class B-1 Notes	03753AAE0	US03753AAE01	G0473AAC2	USG0473AAC20
Class B-F Notes	03753AAG5	US03753AAG58	G0473AAD0	USG0473AAD03
Class C-1 Notes	03753AAJ9	US03753AAJ97	G0473AAE8	USG0473AAE85
Class C-F Notes	03753AAL4	US03753AAL44	G0473AAF5	USG0473AAF50
Class D-1 Notes	03753AAN0	US03753AAN00	G0473AAG3	USG0473AAG34
Class D-J Notes	03753AAQ3	US03753AAQ31	G0473AAH1	USG0473AAH17
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Class E-F Notes	03753CAC0	US03753CAC01	G0472JAB6	USG0472JAB64
Subordinated Notes	03753CAE6	US03753CAE66	G0472JAC4	USG0472JAC48

and notice to the parties listed on Schedule A attached hereto.

PLEASE FORWARD THIS NOTICE TO BENEFICIAL HOLDERS

Notice of Proposed Supplemental Indenture

Reference is made to that certain Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024 (as amended, restated, extended, supplemented or otherwise modified in writing from time to time, the "Indenture"), by and among Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. (the "Issuer"), Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC (the "Co-Issuer," and together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers") and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (in such capacity, the "Trustee"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein which are defined in the Indenture shall have the meaning given thereto in the Indenture.

Pursuant to Section 8.4(c) of the Indenture, the Trustee hereby provides notice of a proposed supplemental indenture (hereinafter referred to as the "*Proposed Supplemental Indenture*") to be entered into among the Co-Issuers and the Trustee pursuant to Section 8.1(vi) of the Indenture. A copy of the Proposed Supplemental Indenture is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. The proposed date of execution of the Proposed Supplemental Indenture is on or after March 28, 2024.

The CUSIP/ISIN numbers appearing herein are included solely for the convenience of the Holders. The Trustee is not responsible for the selection or use of CUSIP/ISIN numbers, or for the accuracy or correctness of CUSIP/ISIN numbers printed on any Securities or as indicated in this notice.

Please note that the execution of the Proposed Supplemental Indenture is subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Indenture, including, without limitation, the conditions set forth in Article VIII of the Indenture. The Trustee does not express any view on the merits of, and does not make any recommendation (either for or against) with respect to, the Proposed Supplemental Indenture and gives no investment, tax or legal advice. Each Holder should seek advice from its own counsel and advisors based on the Holder's particular circumstances.

Recipients of this notice are cautioned that this notice is not evidence that the Trustee will recognize the recipient as a Holder. In addressing inquiries that may be directed to it, the Trustee may conclude that a specific response to a particular inquiry from an individual Holder is not consistent with equal and full dissemination of information to all Holders. Holders should not rely on the Trustee as their sole source of information.

The Trustee expressly reserves all rights under the Indenture, including, without limitation, its right to payment in full of all fees and costs (including, without limitation, fees and costs incurred or to be incurred by the Trustee in performing its duties, indemnities owing or to become owing to the Trustee, compensation for Trustee time spent and reimbursement for fees and costs of counsel and other agents it employs in performing its duties or to pursue remedies) prior to any distribution to Holders or other parties, as provided in and subject to the applicable terms of the Indenture, and its right, prior to exercising any rights or powers vested in it by the Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders, to receive security or indemnity satisfactory to it against all costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred in compliance therewith, and all rights that may be available to it under applicable law or otherwise.

This notice is being sent to Holders by U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association in its capacity as Trustee. Holders with questions regarding this notice should direct their inquiries, in writing, to: Adam Altman, U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, 190 S. LaSalle Street, 8th Floor, Chicago, Illinois 60603 Attention: Global Corporate Trust – Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., telephone (312) 332-7371, or via email at adam.altman@usbank.com.

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

March 14, 2024

SCHEDULE A

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EXHIBIT A

[Proposed Supplemental Indenture]

FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

THIS FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE (this "Supplemental Indenture"), dated as of [●], 2024, is entered into in connection with that certain Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, as may be supplemented, amended or modified from time to time (the "Indenture"), by and among APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD., an exempted company incorporated with liability limited by shares under the laws of Bermuda (the "Issuer"), APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LLC, a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "Co-Issuer" and, together with the Issuer, the "Co-Issuers"), and U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a limited purpose national banking association with trust powers, as trustee under the Indenture (herein, together with its permitted successors and assigns in the trusts hereunder, the "Trustee") under the Indenture. Capitalized terms used and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings given to such terms in the Indenture (as amended by this Supplemental Indenture).

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the above-named parties have entered into the Indenture;

WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with <u>Sections 8.1(vi)</u> thereof, the Co-Issuers desire to amend and modify certain terms of the Indenture to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act;

WHEREAS, Apex Credit Partners LLC, acts as the Portfolio Manager with respect to the Assets and has consented, by its execution hereof, provided its consent to the amendments contemplated hereby;

WHEREAS, this Supplemental Indenture has been duly authorized by all necessary corporate, limited liability company or other actions, as applicable, on the part of each of the Co-Issuers.

NOW, THEREFORE, based upon the above Recitals, the mutual premises and agreements contained herein, and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby agree as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENTS.

Effective as of the date hereof upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth in Section 4 below, the Indenture (including the Exhibits thereto) is hereby amended to delete the stricken text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: stricken text) and to add the bold and double-underlined text (indicated textually in the same manner as the following example: bold and double-underlined text) as set forth on the pages of the Indenture (including the Exhibits thereto) attached as Exhibit A hereto.

SECTION 2. <u>INDENTURE TO REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS AMENDED</u>.

Except as specifically amended and waived hereby, all provisions of the Indenture (including the Exhibits thereto) shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with its terms. All references in the Indenture to the Indenture or to "this Indenture" shall apply *mutatis mutandis* to the Indenture as modified by this Supplemental Indenture. This Supplemental Indenture shall not be deemed to expressly or impliedly waive, amend or supplement any provision of the Indenture (including the Exhibits thereto) other than as expressly set forth herein and shall not constitute a novation of the Indenture.

SECTION 3. REPRESENTATIONS.

Each of the Co-Issuers represents and warrants as of the date of this Supplemental Indenture as follows:

- (i) it is duly incorporated or organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation or organization;
- (ii) the execution, delivery and performance by it of this Supplemental Indenture are within its powers, have been duly authorized, and do not contravene (A) its charter, by-laws or other organizational documents, or (B) any applicable law or regulation;
- (iii) no consent, license, permit, approval or authorization of, or registration, filing or declaration with any governmental authority, is required in connection with the execution, delivery, performance, validity or enforceability of this Supplemental Indenture by or against it;
 - (iv) this Supplemental Indenture has been duly executed and delivered by it;
- (v) this Supplemental Indenture constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms, except as enforceability may be limited by applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or similar laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally or by general principles of equity; and
 - (vi) it is not in default under the Indenture.

SECTION 4. CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

The modifications to be effected pursuant to this Supplemental Indenture shall become effective as of the date first written above upon receipt by the Trustee of each of the following:

(i) an Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers (A) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Supplemental Indenture and (B) certifying that (1) the attached copy of the Board Resolution is a true and complete copy thereof, (2) such resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force and effect on and as of the date hereof and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver such documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated thereon; and

(ii) an opinion of Allen & Overy LLP, special U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers, in each case, dated as of the date hereof, in form and substance satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee.

SECTION 5. CONSENT OF PORTFOLIO MANAGER.

Apex Credit Partners LLC, as the Portfolio Manager, hereby consents to the amendments set forth in this Supplemental Indenture.

SECTION 6. ACCEPTANCE BY TRUSTEE.

The Trustee accepts the amendment to the Indenture as set forth in this Supplemental Indenture and agrees to perform the duties of the Trustee upon the terms and conditions set forth herein and in the Indenture set forth therein. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the Trustee assumes no responsibility for the correctness of the recitals contained herein, which shall be taken as the statements of the Co-Issuers and, except as provided in the Indenture, the Trustee shall not be responsible or accountable in any way whatsoever for or with respect to the validity, execution or sufficiency of this Supplemental Indenture and makes no representation with respect thereto. In entering into this Supplemental Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to the benefit of every provision of the Indenture relating to the conduct of or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee.

SECTION 7. MISCELLANEOUS.

- (a) This Supplemental Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts (including by facsimile or other electronic means), and by the different parties hereto on the same or separate counterparts, each of which shall be deemed to be an original instrument but all of which together shall constitute one and the same agreement.
- (b) The descriptive headings of the various sections of this Supplemental Indenture are inserted for convenience of reference only and shall not be deemed to affect the meaning or construction of any of the provisions hereof.
- (c) This Supplemental Indenture may not be amended or otherwise modified except as provided in the Indenture.
- (d) The failure or unenforceability of any provision hereof shall not affect the other provisions of this Supplemental Indenture.
- (e) Whenever the context and construction so require, all words used in the singular number herein shall be deemed to have been used in the plural, and vice versa, and the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter and the neuter shall include the masculine and feminine.
- (f) This Supplemental Indenture represents the final agreement between the parties only with respect to the subject matter expressly covered hereby and may not be contradicted by evidence of prior, contemporaneous or subsequent oral agreements between the parties. There are no unwritten oral agreements between the parties.

- (g) THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE AND ANY CLAIM, CONTROVERSY OR DISPUTE ARISING UNDER OR RELATED TO THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE, THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PARTIES, AND/OR THE INTERPRETATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF THE RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF THE PARTIES SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND GOVERNED IN ALL RESPECTS (WHETHER IN CONTRACT OR IN TORT) BY THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAWS.
- (h) Notwithstanding any other provision of the Indenture as amended by this Supplemental Indenture, none of the Noteholders, the Trustee or the other Secured Parties may, prior to the date which is one year and one day (or if longer, any applicable preference period plus one day) after the payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under Bermuda, U.S. federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws. Nothing in this Section 7(h) shall preclude, or be deemed to stop, the Trustee (i) from taking any action prior to the expiration of the aforementioned period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than the Trustee, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.
- Notwithstanding any other provision of the Indenture as amended by this Supplemental Indenture, the obligations of the Issuer and Co-Issuer under the Notes (including the Refinancing Notes) and the Transaction Documents are limited recourse or non-recourse obligations of the Issuer and Co-Issuer, as applicable, payable solely from the Assets and following realization of the Assets, and application of the proceeds thereof in accordance with this Indenture as amended by this Supplemental Indenture, all obligations of and any claims against the Co-Issuers hereunder or in connection herewith after such realization shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, employee, member, manager, partner, shareholder or incorporator of either the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager or their respective successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or (except as otherwise provided herein or in the Portfolio Management Agreement) in the Transaction Documents. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this Section 7(i) shall not (x) prevent recourse to the Assets for the sums due or to become due under any security, instrument or agreement which is part of the Assets or (y) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes (including the Refinancing Notes) or secured by this Indenture as amended by this Supplemental Indenture until such Assets have been realized. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this Section 7(i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture as amended by this Supplemental Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such Person or entity.

- (j) This Supplemental Indenture shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.
- (k) Each of the Co-Issuers herby directs the Trustee to execute this Supplemental Indenture and acknowledge and agrees that the Trustee will be fully protected in relying upon the foregoing direction.

[signature pages follow]

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

Executed as a deed by:

Exec	uted as a deed by.
	X CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD., e Issuer
	Name: Title:
	X CREDIT CLO 2024-I LLC, e Co-Issuer
	Name: Title:

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,

as Trustee

By:				
•	Name:			
	Title:			

Acknowledged and Agreed to:

APEX CREDIT PARTNERS LLC,
as Portfolio Manager

By:
Name:
Title:

Exhibit A

INDENTURE

by and among

APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD.

Issuer

APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LLC

Co-Issuer

and

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Trustee

Dated as of March 7, 2024

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INDENTURE, dated as of March 7, 2024 among Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., an exempted company with liability limited by shares incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the "**Issuer**"), Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC, a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware (the "**Co-Issuer**," and together with the Issuer, the "**Co-Issuers**") and U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee (herein, together with its permitted successors and assigns in the trusts hereunder, the "**Trustee**").

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The Co-Issuers are duly authorized to execute and deliver this Indenture to provide for the Notes issuable and as provided in this Indenture. Except as otherwise provided herein, all covenants and agreements made by the Co-Issuers herein are for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties. The Co-Issuers are entering into this Indenture, and the Trustee is accepting the trusts created hereby, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged.

All things necessary to make this Indenture a valid agreement of the Co-Issuers in accordance with the agreement's terms have been done.

GRANTING CLAUSES

The Issuer hereby Grants to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Holders of the Secured Notes, the Trustee, the Bank, U.S. Bank National Association in its capacity as securities intermediary, the Portfolio Manager, the Administrator, each Hedge Counterparty (if any) and the Collateral Administrator (collectively, the "Secured Parties"), all of its right, title and interest in, to and under, all personal property and real property of the Issuer, in each case, whether now owned or existing, or hereafter acquired or arising and wherever located including, without limitation, (a) the Collateral Obligations, the Loss Mitigation Obligations, the Specified Defaulted Obligations and the Specified Equity Securities which the Issuer causes to be Delivered to the Trustee (directly or through an intermediary or bailee) herewith and all payments thereon or with respect thereto, and all Collateral Obligations, Loss Mitigation Obligations, Specified Defaulted Obligations and Specified Equity Securities which are Delivered to the Trustee in the future pursuant to the terms hereof and all payments thereon or with respect thereto, (b) each of the Accounts, and any Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit in any of the Accounts, and all income from the investment of funds therein, (c) subject to the rights of the Hedge Counterparty therein, each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, and any Eligible Investments purchased with funds on deposit therein, and all income from the investment of funds therein, (d) the Portfolio Management Agreement as set forth in Article XV hereof, the Hedge Agreements, the Retention Undertaking Letter, the US Retention Agreement, the Administration Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement, (e) all Cash or Money Delivered to the Trustee (or its bailee) from any source for the benefit of the Secured Parties or the Issuer, (f) all accounts, chattel paper, commodity accounts, commodity contracts, deposit accounts, equipment, farm products, financial assets, fixtures, general intangibles, goods, instruments, inventory, investment property, letter-of-credit rights, manufactured homes, money, payment intangibles, promissory notes and all supporting obligations relating to the foregoing (in each case as defined in the UCC), (g) any other property

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otherwise Delivered to the Trustee by or on behalf of the Issuer (whether or not constituting Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments), (h) any Equity Securities received by the Issuer, (i) the Issuer's ownership interest in and rights in all Issuer Subsidiary Assets and the Issuer's rights under any agreement with any Issuer Subsidiary and (j) all proceeds with respect to the foregoing (the assets referred to in (a) through (j) above, are collectively referred to as the "Assets"); provided that such Grants shall not include the U.S.\$250 transaction fee paid to the Issuer in consideration of the issuance of the Notes, the funds attributable to the issuance, and allotment of the Issuer's ordinary shares or the bank account in the Cayman Islands in which such funds are deposited (or any interest thereon) (collectively, the "Excepted Property").

The above Grant is made to secure the Secured Notes and certain other amounts payable by the Issuer as described herein. Except as set forth in the Priority of Payments and Article XIII of this Indenture, the Secured Notes are secured by the Grant equally and ratably without prejudice, priority or distinction between any Secured Notes and any other Secured Notes by reason of difference in time of issuance, or incurrence or otherwise. The Grant is made to secure, in accordance with the priorities set forth in the Priority of Payments and Article XIII of this Indenture, (i) the payment of all amounts due on the Secured Notes in accordance with their terms, (ii) the payment of all other sums (other than in respect of the Subordinated Notes) payable under this Indenture, (iii) the payment of amounts owing by the Issuer under the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Account Control Agreement and the Collateral Administration Agreement and (iv) compliance with the provisions of this Indenture, all as provided in this Indenture (the "Secured Obligations"). The foregoing Grant shall, for the purpose of determining the property subject to the lien of this Indenture, be deemed to include any securities and any investments granted to the Trustee by or on behalf of the Issuer, whether or not such securities or investments satisfy the criteria set forth in the definitions of "Collateral Obligation" or "Eligible Investments," as the case may be.

The Trustee acknowledges such Grant, accepts the trusts hereunder in accordance with the provisions hereof, and agrees to perform the duties herein in accordance with the terms hereof.

ARTICLE I

DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 <u>Definitions</u>. Except as otherwise specified herein or as the context may otherwise require, the following terms have the respective meanings set forth below for all purposes of this Indenture, and the definitions of such terms are equally applicable both to the singular and plural forms of such terms and to the masculine, feminine and neuter genders of such terms. The word "including" shall mean "including without limitation." All references in this Indenture to designated "Articles," "Sections," "subsections" and other subdivisions are to the designated articles, sections, sub-sections and other subdivisions of this Indenture. The words "herein," "hereof," "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular article, section, subsection or other subdivision.

- "17g-5 Information": The meaning specified in Section 7.20(a).
- "17g-5 Website": The meaning specified in Section 7.20(a).
- "25% Limitation": A limitation that is exceeded only if Benefit Plan Investors hold 25% or more of the total value of any class of equity interest in the Issuer, as calculated under 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA.
- "Account Control Agreement": The Account Control Agreement dated as of the Closing Date among the Issuer, the Trustee and U.S. Bank National Association, as securities intermediary and depository bank.
- "Accountants' Effective Date AUP Report": The meaning specified in <u>Section</u> 7.18(c).
- "Accountants' Effective Date Comparison AUP Report": The meaning specified in Section 7.18(c).
- "Accountants' Effective Date Recalculation AUP Report": The meaning specified in Section 7.18(c).
- "Accounts": (i) the Payment Account, (ii) the Collection Account, (iii) the Ramp-Up Account, (iv) the Revolver Funding Account, (v) the Expense Reserve Account, (vi) the Interest Reserve Account, (vii) the Custodial Account, (viii) the Permitted Use Account and (ix) each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account (including any subaccounts for each of the foregoing).
 - "Act" and "Act of Holders": The meanings specified in Section 14.2.
- "Adjusted Class Break-even Default Rate": The rate equal to (a)(i) the Class Break-even Default Rate multiplied by (ii)(x) the Target Portfolio Par divided by (y) the S&P Collateral Principal Amount plus (b)(i)(x) the S&P Collateral Principal Amount minus (y) the Target Portfolio Par, divided by (ii)(x) the S&P Collateral Principal Amount multiplied by (y) 1 minus the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate.
- "Additional Retention Holder Issuance": The meaning specified in <u>Section</u> 2.14(d).
 - "Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount": As of any date of determination:
- (a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations, Discount Obligations, Deferring Securities and Long-Dated Obligations); plus
- (b) unpaid Principal Financed Accrued Interest (other than in respect of Defaulted Obligations); plus

- (c) without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Collection Account and the Ramp-Up Account (including Eligible Investments therein) representing Principal Proceeds; plus
- (d) the aggregate, for each Defaulted Obligation or Deferring Security, of the S&P Collateral Value of such Defaulted Obligation or Deferring Security; *provided* that the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount shall be zero for any Defaulted Obligation which the Issuer has owned for more than three years after its default date (or for any Specified Defaulted Obligation which the Issuer has owned for more than three years after its designation as a "Specified Defaulted Obligation"); *plus*
- (e) the aggregate, for each Discount Obligation, of the product of the (x) purchase price, excluding accrued interest, (expressed as a percentage of par) and (y) Principal Balance of such Discount Obligation; *plus*
- (f) the aggregate, for each Long-Dated Obligation, of the lower of (i) the product of (x) 70% and (y) the Principal Balance of such Long-Dated Obligation and (ii) the Market Value of such Long-Dated Obligation; *minus*
 - (g) the CCC/Caa Excess Adjustment Amount;

provided, further, that with respect to any Collateral Obligation that satisfies more than one of the definitions of Defaulted Obligation, Discount Obligation, Deferring Security, Long-Dated Obligation or any asset that falls into the CCC/Caa Excess Adjustment Amount, such Collateral Obligation shall, for the purposes of this definition, be treated as belonging to the category of Collateral Obligations which results in the lowest Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount on any date of determination.

"Administration Agreement": An agreement dated as of the Closing Date, between the Administrator (as administrator) and Appleby Global Services (Cayman) Limited (as share owner) and the Issuer (as amended from time to time) relating to the various corporate management functions that the Administrator shall perform on behalf of the Issuer, including communications with shareholders and the general public, and the provision of certain clerical, administrative and other corporate services in Bermuda until termination of such agreement.

"Administrative Expense Cap": An amount equal on any Payment Date (when taken together with any Administrative Expenses paid as described in any of Section 10.2(d), Section 11.1(a)(i)(A), Section 11.1(a)(ii)(A) and Section 11.1(a)(iv)(A) during the period since the preceding Payment Date or in the case of the first Payment Date, the period since the Closing Date), to the sum of (a) 0.02% per annum (prorated for the related Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30 day months) of the Fee Basis Amount on the related Determination Date and (b) U.S.\$200,000 per annum (prorated for the related Interest Accrual Period on the basis of a 360 day year consisting of twelve 30 day months); provided that, with respect to any Payment Date on or after the third Payment Date following the Closing Date, if the aggregate amount of Administrative Expenses paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the three immediately preceding Payment Dates (or, with respect to the third

Payment Date, since the Closing Date) and during the related Collection Periods is less than the aggregate Administrative Expense Cap (determined without regard for this proviso) for such period, such excess amount shall be added to the amount determined above for purposes of calculating the Administrative Expense Cap for such Payment Date.

"Administrative Expenses": The fees, expenses (including indemnities) and other amounts due or accrued with respect to any Payment Date (including, with respect to any Payment Date, any such amounts that were due and not paid on any prior Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) and payable in the following order by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer: *first*, to the Trustee, the Bank and U.S. Bank National Association (in each of their respective capacities under the Transaction Documents) pursuant to <u>Section 6.7</u> and other provisions of this Indenture, *second*, to the Collateral Administrator pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement, *third*, to make any capital contribution to any Issuer Subsidiary necessary to pay any taxes, duties, governmental charges or similar impositions, *fourth*, on a *pro rata* basis, the following amounts (excluding indemnities) to the following parties:

- (i) the Independent accountants, agents (other than the Portfolio Manager) and counsel of the Co-Issuers and any Issuer Subsidiary for fees and expenses;
- (ii) the Rating Agency for fees and expenses (including any annual fee, amendment fees and surveillance fees) in connection with any rating of the Secured Notes or in connection with the rating of (or provision of credit estimates in respect of) any Collateral Obligations;
- (iii) the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture and the Portfolio Management Agreement, including without limitation reasonable expenses of the Portfolio Manager (including fees for its accountants, agents and counsel) incurred in connection with the purchase or sale of any Assets, any other expenses incurred in connection with the Assets and amounts payable pursuant to the Portfolio Management Agreement but excluding the Portfolio Management Fee;
 - (iv) the Administrator pursuant to the Administration Agreement;
- (v) each member of the Advisory Committee under each Advisory Committee Member Agreement (and the amounts payable by the Issuer to each member of the Advisory Committee as indemnification pursuant to each such Advisory Committee Member Agreement);
 - (vi) the independent manager of the Co-Issuer for fees and expenses; and
- (vii) any Person in respect of any other fees or expenses permitted under this Indenture and the documents delivered pursuant to or in connection with this Indenture (including, without limitation, any expenses related to complying with FATCA or otherwise complying with the tax laws or the Retention Undertaking Letter and any Transparency Compliance Costs, the payment of facility rating fees, the payment of all legal and other fees and expenses incurred in connection with the purchase or sale of any

Assets and any other expenses incurred in connection with the Assets) and the Notes, including but not limited to, amounts owed to the Co-Issuer pursuant to Section 7.1, and any amounts due in respect of the listing of any Notes on any stock exchange or trading system and any fees and expenses incurred in connection with the establishment and maintenance of any Issuer Subsidiary;

and *fifth*, on a *pro rata* basis, indemnities payable to any Person pursuant to any Transaction Document; *provided* that, for the avoidance of doubt, amounts that are expressly payable to any Person under the Priority of Payments in respect of an amount that is stated to be payable as an amount other than as Administrative Expenses (including, without limitation, interest and principal in respect of the Notes) shall not constitute Administrative Expenses.

"Administrator": Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. and its successors.

"Advisory Committee": An advisory committee of the Issuer formed, subject to the Advisory Committee Guidelines, to approve certain types of investments by the Issuer.

"**Advisory Committee Guidelines**": The guidelines in respect of the Advisory Committee attached hereto as <u>Exhibit G</u>.

"Advisory Committee Member Agreement": Any agreement between an Advisory Committee member and the Issuer relating to such Advisory Committee member's service as such.

"Affected Class": Any Class of Secured Notes that, as a result of the occurrence of a Tax Event, has not received 100% of the aggregate amount of principal and interest that would otherwise be due and payable to such Class on any Payment Date.

"Affected Noteholders": For any supplemental indenture, all Holders of each Class of Notes excluding, if such supplemental indenture is in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing of one or more Classes of Secured Notes effected in accordance with this Indenture, (x) each Class of Secured Notes to be redeemed or prepaid pursuant to such Refinancing and (y) each class of replacement securities or loans issued in such Refinancing.

"Affiliate": With respect to a Person, (i) any other Person who, directly or indirectly, is in control of, or controlled by, or is under common control with, such Person or (ii) any other Person who is a director, Officer, employee or general partner (a) of such Person, (b) of any subsidiary or parent company of such Person or (c) of any Person described in clause (i) above; provided that funds or accounts managed by the Portfolio Manager or affiliates of the Portfolio Manager shall be excluded from the definition hereof. For the purposes of this definition, "control" of a Person shall mean the power, direct or indirect, (x) to vote more than 50% of the securities having ordinary voting power for the election of directors of such Person or (y) to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of such Person whether by contract or otherwise. For purposes of this definition, no entity shall be deemed an Affiliate of

the Issuer or the Co-Issuer solely because the Administrator or any of its Affiliates acts as administrator or share trustee for such entity.

"Agent Members": Members of, or participants in, DTC, Euroclear or Clearstream.

"Aggregate Coupon": As of any Measurement Date, the sum of the products obtained by multiplying, in the case of each Fixed Rate Obligation (including, for any Deferrable Security, only the required current cash pay interest required by the Underlying Instruments thereon), (i) the stated coupon on such Collateral Obligation expressed as a percentage and (ii) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation.

"Aggregate Excess Funded Spread": As of any Measurement Date, the amount obtained by multiplying: (a) the Benchmark applicable to the Floating Rate Notes during the Interest Accrual Period in which such Measurement Date occurs; by (b) the amount (not less than zero) equal to (i) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations (excluding (x) for any Deferring Security, any interest that has been deferred and capitalized thereon and (y) for the avoidance of doubt, the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Obligation) as of such Measurement Date *minus* (ii) the Target Portfolio Par *minus* (iii) the aggregate amount of Principal Proceeds received from the issuance or incurrence of additional debt pursuant to Section 2.14 and 3.2.

"Aggregate Funded Spread": As of any Measurement Date, the sum of, for each Floating Rate Obligation:

- (a) for each Floating Rate Obligation (including, for any Deferrable Security which is not a Deferring Security, only the required current cash pay interest required by the Underlying Instruments thereon and excluding any Deferring Security and the unfunded portion of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation and Revolving Collateral Obligation) that bears interest at a spread over the Benchmark applicable to the Floating Rate Notes, (i) the stated interest rate spread on such Collateral Obligation above such Benchmark multiplied by (ii) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation (excluding the unfunded portion of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation or Revolving Collateral Obligation); *provided* that for purposes of this definition, the interest rate spread shall be deemed to be, with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that has a reference rate floor, (i) the stated interest rate spread *plus*, (ii) if positive, (x) the reference rate floor value *minus* (y) the Benchmark applicable to the Floating Rate Notes as in effect for the current Interest Accrual Period; and
- (b) for each Floating Rate Obligation (including, for any Deferrable Security which is not a Deferring Security, only the required current cash pay interest required by the Underlying Instruments thereon and excluding any Deferring Security and the unfunded portion of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation and Revolving Collateral Obligation) that bears interest at a spread over an index other than the Benchmark applicable to the Floating Rate Notes, (i) the excess of the sum of such spread and such index over the Benchmark with respect to the Floating Rate Notes as of

the immediately preceding Interest Determination Date (which spread or excess may be expressed as a negative percentage) *multiplied* by (ii) the Principal Balance of each such Collateral Obligation (excluding the unfunded portion of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation or Revolving Collateral Obligation); *provided* that for purposes of this definition, the amount calculated in <u>clause (b)(i)</u> shall be deemed to be, with respect to any Floating Rate Obligation that has an interest rate floor, (i) the excess of the sum of such spread and such index over the Benchmark with respect to the Floating Rate Notes as of the immediately preceding Interest Determination Date *plus*, (ii) if positive, (x) the interest rate floor value *minus* (y) such index as in effect for the current Interest Accrual Period.

"Aggregate Outstanding Amount": With respect to any (i) Secured Notes as of any date, the aggregate unpaid principal amount of such Notes Outstanding (including any Deferred Interest previously added to the principal amount of any of the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes that remains unpaid except to the extent otherwise expressly provided herein) and (ii) Subordinated Notes, the initial aggregate principal amount of such Subordinated Notes Outstanding.

"Aggregate Principal Balance": When used with respect to all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations or the Assets, the sum of the Principal Balances of all or of such portion of the Collateral Obligations or Assets, respectively.

"Aggregate Unfunded Spread": As of any Measurement Date, the sum of the products obtained by multiplying (i) for each Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation and Revolving Collateral Obligation (other than Defaulted Obligations), the related commitment fee then in effect as of such date and (ii) the undrawn commitments of each such Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation and Revolving Collateral Obligation as of such date.

"AML Compliance": Compliance with the Bermuda AML Regulations.

"Applicable Issuer" or "Applicable Issuers": With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes, the Co-Issuers; with respect to the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes, the Issuer only; and with respect to any additional debt issued or incurred in accordance with Sections 2.14 and 3.2, the Issuer and, if such debt is co-issued, the Co-Issuer.

"Applicable Law": The meaning specified in Section 6.3(cc).

"Asset-Backed Commercial Paper": Commercial paper or other short-term obligations of a program that primarily issues externally rated commercial paper backed by assets or exposures held in a bankruptcy-remote, special purpose entity.

"Assets": The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses hereof.

"Asset Replacement Percentage": On any date of calculation, a fraction (expressed as a percentage) calculated by the Portfolio Manager where the numerator is the

outstanding principal balance of the Collateral Obligations that were indexed to the Fallback Rate other than the then-current Benchmark for the Index Maturity as of such calculation date and the denominator is the outstanding principal balance of the Collateral Obligations as of such calculation date.

"Assigned Moody's Rating": The meaning specified in Schedule 5 hereto.

"Assumed Reinvestment Rate": The Benchmark (as determined on the most recent Interest Determination Date relating to an Interest Accrual Period beginning on a Payment Date or the Closing Date) minus 0.25% per annum; provided that the Assumed Reinvestment Rate shall not be less than 0%.

"Authenticating Agent": With respect to the Notes or a Class of the Notes, the Person designated by the Trustee to authenticate such Notes on behalf of the Trustee pursuant to Section 6.14 hereof.

"Authorized Officer": With respect to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, any Officer or any other Person who is authorized to act for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer. With respect to the Portfolio Manager, any Officer, employee, member or agent of the Portfolio Manager who is authorized to act for the Portfolio Manager in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Portfolio Manager with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Collateral Administrator, any Officer, employee, partner or agent of the Collateral Administrator who is authorized to act for the Collateral Administrator in matters relating to, and binding upon, the Collateral Administrator with respect to the subject matter of the request, certificate or order in question. With respect to the Trustee or any other bank or trust company acting as trustee of an express trust or as custodian, a Trust Officer. With respect to any Authenticating Agent, any Officer of such Authenticating Agent who is authorized to authenticate the Notes. Each party may receive and accept a certification of the authority of any other party as conclusive evidence of the authority of any person to act, and such certification may be considered as in full force and effect until receipt by such other party of written notice to the contrary.

"Balance": On any date, with respect to Cash or Eligible Investments in any Account, the aggregate of the (i) current balance of any Cash, demand deposits, time deposits, certificates of deposit and federal funds; (ii) principal amount of interest-bearing corporate and government securities, money market accounts and repurchase obligations; and (iii) purchase price (but not greater than the face amount) of non-interest-bearing government and corporate securities and commercial paper.

"Bank": U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, in its individual capacity and not as Trustee, or any successor thereto.

"Bankruptcy Exchange": The exchange of a Defaulted Obligation (without the payment of any additional funds other than reasonable and customary transfer costs) for another debt obligation issued by another obligor which, but for the fact that such debt obligation is a Defaulted Obligation or a Credit Risk Obligation, would otherwise qualify as a Collateral

Obligation and (i) in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable business judgment, at the time of the exchange, such debt obligation received on exchange has a better likelihood of recovery than the Defaulted Obligation to be exchanged, (ii) as determined by the Portfolio Manager, at the time of the exchange, the debt obligation received on exchange is no less senior in right of payment vis-à-vis its obligor's other outstanding indebtedness than the Defaulted Obligation to be exchanged vis-à-vis its obligor's other outstanding indebtedness, (iii) as determined by the Portfolio Manager, both prior to and after giving effect to such exchange, each of the Coverage Tests is satisfied or, if any Coverage Test was not satisfied prior to such exchange, the coverage ratio relating to such test will be maintained or improved after giving effect to such exchange, (iv) no more than one other Bankruptcy Exchange has occurred during the Collection Period under which such Bankruptcy Exchange is occurring, (v) as determined by the Portfolio Manager, both prior to and after giving effect to such exchange, not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount consists of obligations received in a Bankruptcy Exchange, (vi) the period for which the Issuer held the Defaulted Obligation to be exchanged shall be included for all purposes in this Indenture when determining the period for which the Issuer holds the debt obligation received on exchange, (vii) as determined by the Portfolio Manager, such exchanged Defaulted Obligation was not acquired in a Bankruptcy Exchange, (viii) the exchange does not take place during the Restricted Trading Period and (ix) the Bankruptcy Exchange Test is satisfied.

"Bankruptcy Exchange Test": A test that shall be satisfied if, in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable business judgment, the projected internal rate of return of the obligation obtained as a result of a Bankruptcy Exchange is greater than the projected internal rate of return of the Defaulted Obligation exchanged in a Bankruptcy Exchange, calculated by the Portfolio Manager by aggregating all cash and the Market Value of any Collateral Obligation subject to a Bankruptcy Exchange at the time of each Bankruptcy Exchange.

"Bankruptcy Law": The federal Bankruptcy Code, Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended from time to time, and any successor statute or any other applicable federal or state bankruptcy law or similar law, including, without limitation, Part XIII of the Bermuda Companies Act 1981 (as revised), each as amended from time to time, and any bankruptcy, insolvency, winding up, reorganization or similar law enacted under the laws of Bermuda or any other applicable jurisdiction.

"Bankruptcy Subordination Agreement": The meaning specified in Section 5.4(d)(ii).

"Base Management Fee": The fee payable to the Portfolio Manager in arrears on each Payment Date (accruing during the related Interest Accrual Period and, as applicable, prorated for the related Interest Accrual Period) pursuant to Section 8(a) of the Portfolio Management Agreement and Section 11.1 of this Indenture, in an amount equal to 0.15% per annum (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) of the Fee Basis Amount at the beginning of the Collection Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Benchmark": Initially, the Term SOFR Rate; *provided*, that if a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred with respect to the

Term SOFR Rate or the then-current Benchmark used to calculate interest on any Class of Notes, the "Benchmark", with respect to any such Notes that rely on such Benchmark, shall mean the Fallback Rate; *provided*, *further*, that with respect to the Floating Rate Notes, the Benchmark will be no less than zero.

"Benchmark Floor Obligation": As of any date, a Floating Rate Obligation (a) that provides that the applicable interest rate is (in effect) calculated as the greater of (i) a specified "floor" rate per annum and (ii) the benchmark rate for the applicable interest period for such Floating Rate Obligation and (b) that, as of such date, bears interest based on the rate described in clause (a)(i) of this definition.

"Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes": With respect to the Fallback Rate, any technical, administrative or operational changes (including changes to the definition of "Interest Accrual Period," timing and frequency of determining rates and making payments of interest, changes to the definition of "Index Maturity" solely when such tenor is longer than the Interest Accrual Period and other administrative matters) that the Portfolio Manager decides may be appropriate to reflect the adoption of such Fallback Rate in a manner substantially consistent with market practice (or, if the Portfolio Manager decides that adoption of any portion of such market practice is not administratively feasible or if the Portfolio Manager determines that no market practice for use of the Fallback Rate exists, in such other manner as the Portfolio Manager determines is reasonably necessary).

"Benchmark Replacement Date": As determined by the Portfolio Manager, (i) in the case of clause (a) or (b) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the later of (x) the date of the public statement or publication of information referenced therein and (y) the date on which the administrator of the relevant Benchmark permanently or indefinitely ceases to provide such Benchmark; (ii) in the case of clause (c) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the date of the public statement or publication of information, (iii) in the case of clause (d) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the date selected by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion or (iv) in the case of clause (e) of the definition of "Benchmark Transition Event", the second Business Day following the date of such Monthly Report or Distribution Report, as applicable; provided, that the Portfolio Manager shall have no obligation to select a Benchmark Replacement Date in respect of a Benchmark Transition Event occurring solely under clause (d) or clause (e) of the definition of such term. For the avoidance of doubt, if the event giving rise to the Benchmark Replacement Date occurs on the same day as, but earlier than, the Reference Time in respect of any determination, the Benchmark Replacement Date will be deemed to have occurred prior to the Reference Time for such determination. The Portfolio Manager shall provide notice of the Benchmark Replacement Date to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Calculation Agent and the Rating Agency (each of whom shall have no responsibility for determining such date and may conclusively rely on the notice provided by the Portfolio Manager).

"Benchmark Transition Event": The occurrence of one or more of the following events with respect to the then-current Benchmark, as determined by the Portfolio Manager:

- (a) a public statement or publication of information by or on behalf of the administrator of the Benchmark announcing that the administrator has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark;
- (b) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark, the central bank for the currency of the Benchmark, an insolvency official with jurisdiction over the administrator for the Benchmark or a court or an entity with similar insolvency or resolution authority over the administrator for the Benchmark, which states that the administrator of the Benchmark has ceased or will cease to provide the Benchmark permanently or indefinitely, provided that, at the time of such statement or publication, there is no successor administrator that will continue to provide the Benchmark;
- (c) a public statement or publication of information by the regulatory supervisor for the administrator of the Benchmark announcing that the Benchmark is no longer representative;
- (d) no Benchmark Transition Event has occurred under any of clause (a) through (c) above, but (1) there is a material disruption to such Benchmark or (2) such Benchmark ceases to be published by the Term SOFR Administrator; or
- (e) the Asset Replacement Percentage is greater than 50%, as reported in the most recent Monthly Report or Distribution Report.
- "Benefit Plan Investor": A "benefit plan investor" as defined in Section 3(42) of ERISA to include (a) an "employee benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3(3) of ERISA) that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA, (b) a "plan" (as defined in Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code) that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code or (c) any entity whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of any such employee benefit plan's or plan's investment in the entity.
- "Bermuda AML Regulations": The Proceeds of Crime Act 1997, the Proceeds of Crime (Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorist Financing) Regulations 2008, the Guidance Notes for AML/ATF Regulations Financial Institutions on Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorist Financing 2016 and the Anti-Terrorism (Financial and Other Measures) Act 2004 of Bermuda, each as amended and revised from time to time.
- "Bermuda FATCA Legislation": The USA Bermuda Tax Convention Act 1986, the International Cooperation (Tax Information Exchange Agreements) Act 2005, the International Cooperation (Tax Information Exchange Agreements) Common Reporting Standard Regulations 2017 and the OECD Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information Common Reporting Standard (each as amended) (including any implementing legislation, rules, regulations and guidance notes with respect to such laws) and includes any agreement entered into by the Issuer with the IRS related to FATCA.

"Bermuda IGA": The Bermuda legislation that implements the intergovernmental agreement between Bermuda and the United States signed on December 19, 2013, as the same may be amended from time to time.

"Bermuda Security Agreement": The Bermuda Security Agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Trustee

"Board of Directors": The directors of the Issuer duly appointed by the shareholders of the Issuer or the board of directors of the Issuer.

"Board Resolution": With respect to the Issuer, a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Issuer and, with respect to the Co-Issuer, a resolution of the managers of the Co-Issuer.

"Bond": (i) A debt security (that is not a Loan), that is (a) issued by a corporation, limited liability company, partnership or trust and (b) secured by a valid first priority perfected security interest on specified collateral or (ii) a High Yield Bond.

"Bond Corporate Actions": The meaning set forth in the Collateral Administration Agreement.

"Bridge Loan": Any loan that (x) is incurred in connection with a merger, acquisition, consolidation, or sale of all or substantially all of the assets of a Person or similar transaction and (y) by its terms, is required to be repaid within one year of the incurrence thereof with proceeds from additional borrowings or other refinancings (it being understood that any such loan that has a nominal maturity date of one year or less from the incurrence thereof but has a term-out or other provision whereby (automatically or at the sole option of the obligor thereof) the maturity of the indebtedness thereunder may be extended to a later date is not a Bridge Loan).

"Business Day": Any day other than (i) a Saturday or a Sunday or (ii) a day on which commercial banks are authorized or required by applicable law, regulation or executive order to close in New York, New York, or in the city in which the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee is located or, for any final payment of principal, in the relevant place of presentation; provided that to the extent action is required of the Issuer that has not been delegated to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager or any agent of the Issuer located outside Bermuda, Bermuda shall also be considered in determining "Business Day" for purposes of determining when such Issuer action is required.

"Caa Collateral Obligation": A Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Obligation or a Deferring Security) with a Moody's Rating of "Caa1" or lower.

"Calculation Agent": The meaning specified in Section 7.16.

"Cash": Such funds denominated in currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for payment of all public and private debts, including funds standing to the credit of an Account.

"Cash Contribution": The meaning specified in Section 14.19(a).

"CCC Collateral Obligation": A Collateral Obligation (other than a Defaulted Obligation or a Deferring Security) with an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or lower.

"CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations": The CCC Collateral Obligations and/or the Caa Collateral Obligations, as the context requires.

"CCC/Caa Excess": The amount equal to the greater of:

- (i) the excess of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all CCC Collateral Obligations over an amount equal to 7.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount as of the current Determination Date; and
- (ii) the excess of the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Caa Collateral Obligations over an amount equal to 7.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount as of the current Determination Date;

provided that, in determining which of the CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations shall be included in the CCC/Caa Excess, the CCC/Caa Collateral Obligations with the lowest Market Value (assuming that such Market Value is expressed as a percentage of the principal balance of such Collateral Obligations as of such Determination Date) shall be deemed to constitute such CCC/Caa Excess.

"CCC/Caa Excess Adjustment Amount": As of any date of determination, an amount equal to the excess, if any, of:

- (a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations included in the CCC/Caa Excess; *over*
- (b) the sum of the Market Values of all Collateral Obligations included in the CCC/Caa Excess.

"CEA": The United States Commodity Exchange Act of 1936, as amended.

"Certificate of Authentication": The meaning specified in Section 2.1.

"Certificated Notes": The Certificated Secured Notes and the Certificated Subordinated Notes.

"Certificated Secured Note": A Secured Note issued in the form of one or more definitive, fully registered notes without interest coupons.

"Certificated Subordinated Note": A Subordinated Note issued in the form of one or more definitive, fully registered notes without interest coupons.

"Certificated Security": The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(4) of the UCC.

"CFR": The meaning specified in <u>Schedule 5</u> hereto.

"Class": In the case of (i) the Secured Notes, all of the Secured Notes having the same Interest Rate, Stated Maturity and designation and (ii) the Subordinated Notes, all of the Subordinated Notes having the same designation; *provided* that all Pari Passu Classes shall constitute a single Class for all purposes under this Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement and any other Transaction Document, except (1) as expressly stated otherwise in this Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement or such other Transaction Document and (2) in the case of any right to consent, give direction or otherwise vote with respect to any amendment or modification of this Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement or any other Transaction Document, as applicable, that would by its terms directly affect any the Holders of any Class of Notes exclusively and/or differently from the Holders of any Pari Passu Class with respect thereto. For the avoidance of doubt, the Class B-1 Notes and Class B-F Notes, the Class C-1 Notes and Class C-F Notes, the Class D-1 Notes and Class D-J Notes and the Class E-1 Notes and Class E-F Notes shall, in each case, constitute separate Classes for all purposes under this Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement and any other Transaction Document.

"Class A Notes": The Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-J Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture collectively.

"Class A-1 Notes": The Class A-1 Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class A-J Notes" The Class A-J Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class B Notes": The Class B-1 Notes and the Class B-F Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class B-1 Notes": The Class B-1 Senior Secured Floating Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in Section 2.3.

"Class B-F Notes": The Class B-F Senior Secured Fixed Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class A/B Coverage Tests": The Overcollateralization Ratio Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class A Notes, and the Class B Notes.

"Class Break-even Default Rate": With respect to the Highest Priority Class:

- (I) prior to the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the rate equal to (a) 0.109375 (or such other coefficient provided in advance by S&P to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator in writing) *plus* (b) the product of (x) 4.093364 (or such other coefficient provided in advance by S&P to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator in writing) and (y) the Weighted Average Floating Spread *plus* (c) the product of (x) 0.925449 (or such other coefficient provided in advance by S&P to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator in writing) and (y) the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate; and
- (II) on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the maximum percentage of defaults, at any time, that the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, can sustain, determined through application of the S&P CDO Monitor, which, after giving effect to S&P's assumptions on recoveries, defaults and timing and to the Priority of Payments, shall result in sufficient funds remaining for the payment of such Class in full. After the Effective Date, S&P shall provide the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator in writing with the Class Break-even Default Rates for the S&P CDO Monitor based upon the S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input and the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input.
- "Class C Coverage Tests": The Overcollateralization Ratio Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class C Notes.
- "Class C Notes": The Class C-1 Notes and the Class C-F Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.
- "Class C-1 Notes" The Class C-1 Secured Deferrable Floating Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.
- "Class C-F Notes" The Class C-F Secured Deferrable Fixed Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.
- "Class D Coverage Test": The Overcollateralization Ratio Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied with respect to the Class D Notes.
- "Class D Notes": The Class D-1 Notes and the Class D-J Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture, collectively.
- "Class D-1 Notes": The Class D-1 Secured Deferrable Floating Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.
- "Class D-J Notes": The Class D-J Secured Deferrable Fixed Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class Default Differential": With respect to the Highest Priority Class, at any time, the rate calculated by subtracting the Class Scenario Default Rate at such time for such Class of Notes from (x) prior to the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the Adjusted Class Break-even Default Rate and (y) on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the Class Break-even Default Rate, in each case, for such Class of Notes at such time.

"Class E Coverage Test": The Overcollateralization Ratio Test as applied with respect to the Class E Notes.

"Class E Notes": The Class E-1 Notes and the Class E-F Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture, collectively.

"Class E-1 Notes": The Class E-1 Secured Deferrable Floating Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class E-F Notes": The Class E-F Secured Deferrable Fixed Rate Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Class Scenario Default Rate": With respect to the Highest Priority Class, at any time:

- (a) prior to the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the rate at such time equal to:
 - (i) 0.247621 *plus*
- (ii) (x) the S&P Weighted Average Rating Factor divided by (y) 9162.65 minus
 - (iii) (x) the Default Rate Dispersion divided by (y) 16757.20 minus
 - (iv) (x) the Obligor Diversity Measure *divided* by (y) 7677.80 *minus*
 - (v) (x) the Industry Diversity Measure *divided* by (y) 2177.56 *minus*
 - (vi) (x) the Regional Diversity Measure divided by (y) 34.0948 plus
 - (vii) (x) the S&P Weighted Average Life divided by (y) 27.3896; and
- (b) on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, an estimate of the cumulative default rate for the Current Portfolio or the Proposed Portfolio, as applicable, consistent with S&P's Initial Rating of such Class of Notes, determined by application by the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator of the S&P CDO Monitor at such time.
- "Clean-Up Call Redemption": A redemption of the Notes, in whole but not in part, in accordance with Section 9.8.

"Clean-Up Call Redemption Price": The meaning specified in Section 9.8(b).

"Clearing Agency": An organization registered as a "clearing agency" pursuant to Section 17A of the Exchange Act.

"Clearing Corporation": (i) Clearstream, (ii) DTC, (iii) Euroclear and (iv) any entity included within the meaning of "clearing corporation" under Section 8-102(a)(5) of the UCC.

"Clearing Corporation Security": Securities which are in the custody of or maintained on the books of a Clearing Corporation or a nominee subject to the control of a Clearing Corporation and, if they are Certificated Securities in registered form, properly endorsed to or registered in the name of the Clearing Corporation or such nominee.

"Clearstream": Clearstream Banking, *société anonyme*, a corporation organized under the laws of the Duchy of Luxembourg (formerly known as Cedelbank, *société anonyme*).

"Closing Date": March 7, 2024.

"Code": The United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and the Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Co-Issuer": The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture, until a successor Person shall have become the Co-Issuer pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Co-Issuer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Co-Issuers": The Issuer and the Co-Issuer.

"Collateral Administration Agreement": An agreement dated as of the Closing Date, among the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator, as amended from time to time, in accordance with the terms thereof.

"Collateral Administrator": U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, in its capacity as collateral administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement, and any successor thereto.

"Collateral Interest Amount": As of any date of determination, without duplication, the aggregate amount of Interest Proceeds that has been received or that is expected to be received (other than Interest Proceeds expected to be received from Defaulted Obligations and Deferring Securities, but including Interest Proceeds actually received from Defaulted Obligations and Deferring Securities), in each case during the Collection Period in which such date of determination occurs (or after such Collection Period but on or prior to the related Payment Date if such Interest Proceeds would be treated as Interest Proceeds with respect to such Collection Period).

"Collateral Obligation": (A) A Senior Secured Loan, a Second Lien Loan or an Unsecured Loan (including, but not limited to, interests in bank loans acquired by way of a

purchase or assignment) or Participation Interest therein or (B) a Bond, and in the case of each of (A) and (B), that as of the date of acquisition by the Issuer:

- (i) is U.S. Dollar denominated and is neither convertible by the obligor thereof into, nor payable in, any other currency;
- (ii) is not (A) a Defaulted Obligation or (B) a Credit Risk Obligation (unless, in each case, (x) such acquisition is being made in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange only or (y) it constitutes Uptier Priming Debt);
 - (iii) is not a lease;
- (iv) if it is a Deferrable Security, unless it is a Permitted Deferrable Security, it is not deferring or capitalizing the payment of current cash pay interest thereon, paying current cash pay interest "in kind" or otherwise has an interest "in kind" balance outstanding with respect to cash pay interest at the time of purchase;
- (v) provides for a fixed amount of principal payable in Cash on scheduled payment dates and/or at maturity and does not by its terms provide for earlier amortization or prepayment at a price of less than par;
 - (vi) does not constitute Margin Stock;
- (vii) gives rise only to payments that do not, at the time the obligation is acquired, subject the Issuer to withholding tax (other than with respect to (A) commitment fees and other similar fees or (B) FATCA), unless the related obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments that ensure that the net amount actually received by the Issuer (after payment of all such taxes) equals the full amount that the Issuer would have received had no such taxes been imposed;
- (viii) is not a debt obligation whose repayment is subject to substantial non-credit related risk as determined by the Portfolio Manager;
- (ix) except for Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations, Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligations and Revolving Collateral Obligations, is not an obligation pursuant to which any future advances or payments to the obligor thereof may be required to be made by the Issuer;
- (x) does not have an "p", "L", "prelim", "t" or "sf" subscript assigned by S&P, or if such obligation is not rated by S&P, does not have an "sf" subscript assigned by any other NRSRO.
 - (xi) is not a Structured Finance Obligation;
- (xii) will not require the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the pool of Assets to be registered as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;

- (xiii) is not the subject of an Offer of exchange, or tender by its obligor or issuer, for Cash, securities or any other type of consideration other than (A) a Permitted Offer or (B) an exchange offer in which a loan or a security that is not registered under the Securities Act is exchanged for a loan or a security that has substantially identical terms (except for transfer restrictions) but is registered under the Securities Act or a loan or a security that would otherwise qualify for purchase under the Investment Criteria described herein;
 - (xiv) is Registered;
- (xv) if it is a Floating Rate Obligation, accrues interest at a floating rate determined by reference to (A) the Dollar prime rate, federal funds rate or the Benchmark or (B) a similar interbank offered rate, commercial deposit rate or any other index;
 - (xvi) is not a Synthetic Security;
 - (xvii) does not pay interest less frequently than semi-annually;
 - (xviii) it has a Moody's Rating and an S&P Rating;
 - (xix) is not an interest in a grantor trust;
- (xx) is issued by an obligor Domiciled in the United States, Canada, a Group I Country, a Group II Country, a Group III Country or a Tax Jurisdiction;
 - (xxi) is not a letter-of-credit;
 - (xxii) is not a Prohibited Obligation;
 - (xxiii) is not an obligation of a Portfolio Company;
- (xxiv) is not an Equity Security and is not by its terms convertible into or exchangeable for an Equity Security;
 - (xxv) is able to be pledged to the Trustee pursuant to its Underlying Instruments;
 - (xxvi) is not a Small Obligor Loan;
 - (xxvii) does not mature after the earliest Stated Maturity of the Notes;
 - (xxviii) is not a commodity forward contract;
- (xxix) it does not have an S&P Rating that is below "CCC-" or a Moody's Default Probability Rating that is below "Caa3" (in each case, unless such obligation is being acquired in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange); and

(xxx) is purchased at a price at least equal to 60% of its Principal Balance (unless such obligation is acquired in a Bankruptcy Exchange).

For the avoidance of doubt, (i) Collateral Obligations may include Current Pay Obligations and (ii) any Loss Mitigation Obligation or any Specified Defaulted Obligation (including any Uptier Priming Debt) designated as a Collateral Obligation by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the terms specified in the definition of "Loss Mitigation Obligation" (provided, that with respect to any Uptier Priming Debt, such designation may only be made if such obligation satisfies the definition of "Collateral Obligation" without giving effect to the carve-outs with respect to Uptier Priming Debt therein) shall constitute a Collateral Obligation (and not a Loss Mitigation Obligation or a Specified Defaulted Obligation) only following such designation.

"Collateral Principal Amount": As of any date of determination, the sum of (a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations and (b) without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Collection Account and the Ramp-Up Account (including Eligible Investments therein) representing Principal Proceeds; *provided*, that Defaulted Obligations will be treated as having a Principal Balance equal to the S&P Collateral Value of such Defaulted Obligations, respectively; *provided further* that the Principal Balance shall be zero for any Defaulted Obligation which the Issuer has owned for more than three years after the date that it became a Defaulted Obligation (or, in the case of any Specified Defaulted Obligation, which the Issuer has owned for more than three years after its designation as a "Specified Defaulted Obligation").

"Collateral Quality Test": A test satisfied on any Measurement Date on and after the Effective Date if, in the aggregate, the Collateral Obligations owned (or in relation to a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, proposed to be owned) by the Issuer satisfy each of the tests set forth below or, unless otherwise specified in the Investment Criteria, if a test is not satisfied on such date, the degree of compliance with such test is maintained or improved after giving effect to the investment, calculated in each case as required by Section 1.3 herein:

- (i) the Minimum Floating Spread Test;
- (ii) the Minimum Weighted Average Coupon Test;
- (iii) the Weighted Average Life Test;
- (iv) solely during the Reinvestment Period, the S&P CDO Monitor Test;
- (v) on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test;
 - (vi) the Moody's Diversity Test; and
 - (vii) the Maximum Moody's Rating Factor Test.

"Collection Account": The securities account established pursuant to Section 10.2 which consists of the Principal Collection Subaccount and the Interest Collection Subaccount.

"Collection Period": (i) With respect to the first Payment Date, the period commencing on the Closing Date and ending at the close of business on the eighth Business Day prior to the first Payment Date; and (ii) with respect to any other Payment Date, the period commencing on the day immediately following the prior Collection Period and ending (a) in the case of the final Collection Period preceding the latest Stated Maturity of any Class of Notes, on the day of such Stated Maturity, (b) in the case of the final Collection Period preceding an Optional Redemption (other than a Non-Payment Date Refinancing) or Tax Redemption in whole of the Notes, on the Business Day preceding the Redemption Date, provided that, in the case of this clause (b), all Sale Proceeds and Refinancing Proceeds, as applicable, received on the applicable Redemption Date shall be deemed to be received on the Business Day prior to such Redemption Date and (c) in any other case, at the close of business on the eighth Business Day prior to such Payment Date (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day).

"Concentration Limitations": Limitations satisfied on any date of determination on or after the Effective Date if, in the aggregate, the Collateral Obligations owned (or in relation to a proposed purchase of a Collateral Obligation, proposed to be owned) by the Issuer comply with all of the requirements set forth below or, unless otherwise specified in the Investment Criteria, if not in compliance on such date, the relevant requirements must be maintained or improved after giving effect to the purchase, calculated in each case as required by Section 1.3 herein:

- (i) not less than 90.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Senior Secured Loans and Eligible Investments;
- (ii) not more than 10.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Second Lien Loans, Unsecured Loans or Bonds; *provided*, that not more than 1.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Second Lien Loans, Unsecured Loans and Bonds of a single obligor; *provided*, *further*, that (x) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Bonds, (y) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Second Lien Loans and High-Yield Bonds in the aggregate and (z) not more than 2.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of High-Yield Bonds;
- (iii) not more than 2.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of obligations issued by a single obligor and its Affiliates, except that, without duplication, obligations (other than DIP Collateral Obligations) issued by up to three Obligors and their respective Affiliates may each constitute up to 2.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount:

- (iv) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Current Pay Obligations;
- (v) not more than 7.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of CCC Collateral Obligations;
- (vi) not more than 7.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Caa Collateral Obligations;
- (vii) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Fixed Rate Obligations;
- (viii) no portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Zero Coupon Bonds, Step-Up Obligations or Step-Down Obligations;
- (ix) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Medium Obligor Loans;
- (x) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of DIP Collateral Obligations; *provided*, that an additional 2.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of DIP Collateral Obligations constituting Uptier Priming Debt;
- (xi) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist, in the aggregate, of unfunded commitments under Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations and unfunded and funded commitments under Revolving Collateral Obligations;
- (xii) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Participation Interests;
- (xiii) not more than 10.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Collateral Obligations with an S&P Rating derived from a Moody's Rating as set forth in clause (iii)(a) of the definition of "S&P Rating";
- (xiv) (a) no portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Collateral Obligations the only S&P Rating or Moody's Rating for which are based off of credit estimates and (b) not more than 2.5% portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Collateral Obligations the only S&P Rating or Moody's Rating for which are based off of private ratings;
- (xv) (a) all of the Collateral Obligations must be issued by Non-Emerging Market Obligors; and (b) no more than the percentage listed below of the Collateral Principal Amount may be issued by obligors Domiciled in the country or countries set forth opposite such percentage:

% Limit	Country or Countries
15.0%	all countries (in the aggregate) other than the United States;

% Limit	Country or Countries		
10.0%	Canada;		
10.0%	any individual Group I Country;		
7.5%	all Group II Countries in the aggregate;		
5.0%	any individual Group II Country;		
5.0%	all Group III Countries in the aggregate;		
5.0%	any individual Group III Country;		
5.0%	all Tax Jurisdictions in the aggregate;		
3.0%	any individual Tax Jurisdiction;		
0.0%	Greece, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Russia and Belarus in the aggregate;		
3.0%	any individual country other than the United States, Canada, Greece,		
	Italy, Portugal, Spain, Russia, Belarus, any Group I Country, any Grou		
	II Country, any Group III Country;		

- (xvi) not more than 10.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Collateral Obligations that are issued by obligors that belong to any single S&P Industry Classification, except that the largest S&P Industry Classification may represent up to 15.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount and the second largest S&P Industry Classification may represent up to 12.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount;
- (xvii) not more than (x) 6.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Collateral Obligations that pay interest less frequently than quarterly and (y) no portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Collateral Obligations that pay interest less frequently than semi-annually;
- (xviii) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Deferrable Securities;
- (xix) no portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Bridge Loans;
- (xx) no portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Long-Dated Obligations;
- (xxi) no portion of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Structured Finance Obligations;
- (xxii) not more than 60.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Cov-Lite Loans;
- (xxiii) not more than 20.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Discount Obligations;
- (xxiv) the Third Party Credit Exposure may not exceed 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount and the Third Party Credit Exposure Limits may not be exceeded; and

(xxv) not more than 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount may consist of Pre-Emptive Uptier Priming Debt and Uptier Priming Debt.

"Confidential Information": The meaning specified in Section 14.15(b).

"Contribution": The meaning specified in Section 14.19(a).

"Contribution Repayment Amount": The meaning specified in <u>Section</u> 14.19(b).

"Contributor": The Holder of Subordinated Notes who makes a Contribution.

"Controlling Class": The Class A-1 Notes, so long as any Class A-1 Notes are Outstanding; then the Class A-J Notes, so long as any Class A-J Notes are Outstanding; then the Class B Notes so long as any Class B Notes are Outstanding; then the Class C Notes so long as any Class C Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D-J Notes are Outstanding; then the Class D-J Notes are Outstanding; then the Class E-1 Notes so long as any Class E-1 Notes so long as any Class E-F Notes so long as any Class E-F Notes are Outstanding; then the Class E-F Notes so long as any Class E-F Notes are Outstanding and then the Subordinated Notes so long as any Subordinated Notes are Outstanding.

"Controlling Person": A Person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer or any Person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets or any affiliate of any such Person. For this purpose, an "affiliate" of a Person includes any Person, directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controlling, controlled by, or under common control with the Person. "Control," with respect to a Person other than an individual, means the power to exercise a controlling influence over the management or policies of such Person.

"Controversial Weapons": Any of cluster bombs, anti-personnel mines, chemical or biological weapons and other controversial weapons which are prohibited under applicable international treaties or conventions as identified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee and Collateral Administrator with notice to a Majority of the Subordinated Notes.

"Corporate Trust Office": The principal corporate trust office of the Trustee at which this Indenture is administered, currently located at: (a) for Note transfer purposes and presentment of the Notes for final payment thereon U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, 111 Fillmore Avenue East, St. Paul, Minnesota 55107-1402, Attention: Bond Holder Services—EP-MN-WS2N—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.; and (b) for all other purposes, U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, 190 South LaSalle Street, MK-IL-SL08, Chicago, Illinois, 60603, Attention: Global Corporate Trust — Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., e-mail: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.l@usbank.com; or in each case, such other address as the Trustee may designate from time to time by notice to the Holders, the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer or the principal corporate trust office of any successor Trustee.

"Cov-Lite Loan": A Collateral Obligation the Underlying Instruments for which (i) do not contain any financial covenants or (ii) do not require the borrower thereunder to comply with any Maintenance Covenant (regardless of whether compliance with one or more Incurrence Covenants is otherwise required by such Underlying Instruments); provided, that, except for purposes of determining the S&P Recovery Rate of the applicable Collateral Obligation, a Collateral Obligation described in clause (i) or (ii) above which contains either a cross-default provision to, or is pari passu with, another loan of the underlying obligor that requires the underlying obligor to comply with a Maintenance Covenant will be deemed not to be a Cov-Lite Loan.

"Coverage Tests": The Overcollateralization Ratio Test and the Interest Coverage Test, each as applied to each specified Class or Classes of Secured Notes (provided that no Interest Coverage Test will apply to the Class E Notes).

"Credit Amendment": Any Maturity Amendment that, in the Portfolio Manager's judgment exercised in accordance with the Portfolio Management Agreement, is necessary (i) to prevent the related Collateral Obligation from becoming a Defaulted Obligation or (ii) due to the materially adverse financial condition of the Obligor, to minimize material losses on the related Collateral Obligation.

"Credit Improved Criteria": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the occurrence of any of the following:

- (a) if such Collateral Obligation is a Fixed Rate Obligation, there has been a decrease in the difference between its yield compared to the yield on the relevant U.S. Treasury security of more than 7.5% of its yield since the date of purchase;
- (b) if such Collateral Obligation is a loan, the price of such loan has changed during the period from the date on which it was acquired by the Issuer to the proposed sale date by a percentage either at least 0.25% more positive, or 0.25% less negative, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the average price of any Eligible Loan Index over the same period, as determined by the Portfolio Manager; or
- (c) if such Collateral Obligation is a Bond, the price of such Bond has changed during the period from the date on which it was acquired by the Issuer to the proposed sale date by a percentage either at least 0.25% more positive, or 0.25% less negative, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the average price of any Eligible Bond Index over the same period, as determined by the Portfolio Manager.

"Credit Improved Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation which, in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable commercial business judgment, has significantly improved in credit quality after it was acquired by the Issuer; *provided* that during a Restricted Trading Period, a Collateral Obligation shall qualify as a Credit Improved Obligation only if (i) the Credit Improved Criteria are satisfied with respect to such Collateral Obligation, (ii) such Collateral Obligation has been upgraded by S&P, Moody's or Fitch or placed on a watch list for possible upgrade by S&P, Moody's or Fitch since the date on which such Collateral Obligation was

purchased by the Issuer or (iii) a Majority of the Controlling Class votes to treat such Collateral Obligation as a Credit Improved Obligation.

"Credit Risk Criteria": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the occurrence of any of the following:

- (a) if such Collateral Obligation is a Fixed Rate Obligation, there has been an increase in the difference between its yield compared to the yield on the relevant U.S. Treasury security of more than 7.5% of its yield since the date of purchase;
- (b) the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation has decreased by at least 1.00% of the price paid by the Issuer for such Collateral Obligation due to a deterioration in the related Obligor's financial ratios or financial results in accordance with the Underlying Instruments relating to such Collateral Obligation; or
- (c) if such Collateral Obligation is a loan, the price of such loan has changed during the period from the date on which it was acquired by the Issuer to the proposed sale date by a percentage either at least 0.25% more negative, or at least 0.25% less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the average price of an average price of any index specified on the Eligible Loan Index as determined by the Portfolio Manager over the same period; or
- (d) if such Collateral Obligation is a Bond, the price of such Bond has changed during the period from the date on which it was acquired by the Issuer to the proposed sale date by a percentage either at least 0.25% more negative, or at least 0.25% less positive, as the case may be, than the percentage change in the average price of an average price of any index specified on the Eligible Bond Index as determined by the Portfolio Manager over the same period.

"Credit Risk Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation that, in the Portfolio Manager's reasonable commercial business judgment, has a significant risk of declining in credit quality or price; provided, that at any time during a Restricted Trading Period, a Collateral Obligation shall qualify as a Credit Risk Obligation for purposes of sales of Collateral Obligations only if, (i) the Credit Risk Criteria are satisfied with respect to such Collateral Obligation, (ii) such Collateral Obligation has been downgraded by Fitch, S&P or Moody's or placed on a watch list for possible downgrade by Fitch, S&P or Moody's since the date on which such Collateral Obligation was purchased by the Issuer or (iii) a Majority of the Controlling Class votes to treat such Collateral Obligation as a Credit Risk Obligation.

"Current Pay Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation (other than a DIP Collateral Obligation or a Collateral Obligation that has an S&P Rating of "CCC-" or below or the S&P rating of which has been withdrawn) that would otherwise be treated as a Defaulted Obligation but as to which no payments are due and payable that are unpaid and with respect to which the Portfolio Manager has certified to the Trustee (with a copy to the Collateral Administrator) in writing that it believes, in its reasonable business judgment, that (a) the issuer or obligor of such Collateral Obligation shall continue to make scheduled payments of interest

thereon and shall pay the principal thereof by maturity or as otherwise contractually due, (b) if the issuer or obligor is subject to a bankruptcy Proceeding, it has been the subject of an order of a bankruptcy court that permits it to make scheduled payments on such Collateral Obligation and all such court authorized payments due thereunder have been paid in Cash when due and (c) such Collateral Obligation has a Market Value of at least 80% of its par value and (d) if any Secured Notes are then rated by S&P (A) such Collateral Obligation has an S&P Rating of at least "B-," (B) such Collateral Obligation has an S&P Rating of at least "CCC+" and a Market Value of at least 80% of its par value or (C) such Collateral Obligation has an S&P Rating of "CCC" and its Market Value is at least 85% of its par value (Market Value being determined, solely for the purposes of clauses (c) and (d), without taking into consideration clause (iii) of the definition of "Market Value").

"Current Portfolio": At any time, the portfolio of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments representing Principal Proceeds (determined in accordance with Section 1.3 to the extent applicable), then held by the Issuer.

"Custodial Account": The custodial account established pursuant to Section 10.3(b).

"Custodian": The meaning specified in the first sentence of Section 3.3(a) with respect to items of collateral referred to therein, and each entity with which an Account is maintained, as the context may require, each of which shall be a Securities Intermediary.

"**Default**": Any Event of Default or any occurrence that is, or with notice or the lapse of time or both would become, an Event of Default.

"Default Rate Dispersion": As of any date of determination, the number obtained by (a) *summing* the products for each Collateral Obligation (other than Defaulted Obligations) of (i) the absolute value of (x) the S&P Rating Factor of such Collateral Obligation *minus* (y) the S&P Weighted Average Rating Factor by (ii) the Principal Balance at such time of such Collateral Obligation and (b) *dividing* such sum *by* the Aggregate Principal Balance on such date of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations).

"**Defaulted Obligation**": Any Collateral Obligation included in the Assets as to which:

- (a) a default as to the payment of principal and/or interest has occurred and is continuing with respect to such Collateral Obligation (without regard to any grace period applicable thereto, or waiver or forbearance thereof, after the passage (in the case of a default that in the Portfolio Manager's judgment, as certified to the Trustee in writing, is not due to credit-related causes) of five (5) Business Days or seven calendar days, whichever is greater, but in no case beyond the passage of any grace period applicable thereto);
- (b) a default known to the Portfolio Manager as to the payment of principal and/or interest has occurred and is continuing on another debt obligation of the same

Obligation (without regard to any grace period applicable thereto, or waiver or forbearance thereof, after the passage (in the case of a default that in the Portfolio Manager's judgment, as certified to the Trustee in writing, is not due to credit-related causes) of five (5) Business Days or seven calendar days, whichever is greater, but in no case beyond the passage of any grace period applicable thereto, and the holders of such Collateral Obligation have accelerated the maturity of all or a portion of such Collateral Obligation; *provided* that (x) the Collateral Obligation shall constitute a Defaulted Obligation under this <u>clause (b)</u> only until such acceleration has been rescinded and (y) both the Collateral Obligation and such other debt obligation are full recourse obligations of the applicable issuer or obligor and secured by the same collateral);

- (c) the issuer or obligor or others have instituted Proceedings to have the issuer or obligor adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent or placed into receivership and such Proceedings have not been stayed or dismissed or such issuer or obligor has filed for protection under Chapter 11 of the United States Bankruptcy Code;
- (d) the Obligor on such Collateral Obligation has a "probability of default" rating assigned by Moody's of "D" or "LD" or such Collateral Obligation has an S&P Rating of "CC" or below or "SD" or had such rating immediately before such rating was withdrawn:
- (e) the Portfolio Manager has actual knowledge that such Collateral Obligation is *pari passu* in right of payment as to the payment of principal and/or interest to another debt obligation of the same issuer or obligor which has a "probability of default" rating assigned by Moody's of "D" or "LD" or has an S&P Rating of "CC" or below or "SD" or had such rating immediately before it was withdrawn; *provided* that both the Collateral Obligation and such other debt obligation are full recourse obligations of the applicable issuer or obligor and secured by the same collateral;
- (f) a default with respect to which the Portfolio Manager has received notice or knowledge that a default has occurred under the Underlying Instruments and any applicable grace period has expired and the holders of such Collateral Obligation have accelerated the repayment of the Collateral Obligation (but only until such acceleration has been rescinded) in the manner provided in the Underlying Instrument;
- (g) the Portfolio Manager has in its reasonable commercial judgment otherwise declared such debt obligation to be a "Defaulted Obligation";
- (h) such Collateral Obligation is a Participation Interest with respect to which the Selling Institution has defaulted in any respect in the performance of any of its payment obligations under the Participation Interest;
- (i) such Collateral Obligation is a Participation Interest in a loan that would, if such loan were a Collateral Obligation, constitute a "Defaulted Obligation" or with respect to which the Selling Institution has a Moody's Rating of "D" or "LD" or lower or

had such rating before such rating was withdrawn or an S&P Rating of "CC" or below or "SD" or had such rating before such rating was withdrawn; or

(j) such Collateral Obligation is a Specified Unsold Obligation with respect to which a trade date in respect of its sale has not occurred within 30 days following the effective date of the related Maturity Amendment;

provided that (x) a Collateral Obligation will not constitute a Defaulted Obligation pursuant to clauses (b) through (e) and (i) above if such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Participation Interest, the underlying Senior Secured Loan) is a Current Pay Obligation (provided that the Aggregate Principal Balance of Current Pay Obligations exceeding 7.5% of the Collateral Principal Amount will be treated as Defaulted Obligations) and (y) a Collateral Obligation will not constitute a Defaulted Obligation pursuant to any of clauses (b), (c), (d) and (e) above if such Collateral Obligation (or, in the case of a Participation Interest, the underlying Senior Secured Loan) is a DIP Collateral Obligation (other than a DIP Collateral Obligation that has an S&P rating of "SD" or "CC" or lower).

"Deferrable Security": A Collateral Obligation (including any Permitted Deferrable Security) that by its terms permits the deferral or capitalization of payment of accrued, unpaid interest.

"**Deferred Interest**": With respect to the Class C Notes, the Class D-1, the Class D-J Notes, the Class E-1 Notes or the Class E-F Notes, the meaning specified in <u>Section 2.7(a)</u>.

"Deferring Security": A Deferrable Security that is deferring the payment of the current cash pay interest due thereon and has been so deferring the payment of such interest due thereon (i) with respect to Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of at least "BBB-" for the shorter of two consecutive accrual periods or one year and (ii) with respect to Collateral Obligations that have an S&P Rating of "BB+" or below for the shorter of one accrual period or six consecutive months, which deferred capitalized interest has not, as of the date of determination, been paid in Cash; *provided* that such Deferrable Security shall cease to be a Deferring Security at such time as it (a) ceases to defer or capitalize the payment of interest, (b) pays in Cash all accrued and unpaid interest and (c) commences payment of all current interest in Cash.

"Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation that (a) requires the Issuer to make one or more future advances to the borrower under the Underlying Instruments relating thereto, (b) specifies a maximum amount that can be borrowed on one or more fixed borrowing dates, and (c) does not permit the re-borrowing of any amount previously repaid by the borrower thereunder; but any such Collateral Obligation shall be a Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation only until all commitments by the Issuer to make advances to the borrower expire or are terminated or are reduced to zero.

"Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation": Any Loss Mitigation Obligation that would constitute a Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation or Revolving Collateral Obligation if it were a Collateral Obligation.

"Deliver" or "Delivered" or "Delivery": The taking of the following steps:

- (i) in the case of each Certificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security), Instrument and Participation Interest in which the underlying loan is represented by an Instrument,
 - (a) causing the delivery of such Certificated Security or Instrument to the Custodian by registering the same in the name of the Custodian or its affiliated nominee or by endorsing the same to the Custodian or in blank;
 - (b) causing the Custodian to indicate continuously on its books and records that such Certificated Security or Instrument is credited to the applicable Account; and
 - (c) causing the Custodian to maintain continuous possession of such Certificated Security or Instrument;
- (ii) in the case of each Uncertificated Security (other than a Clearing Corporation Security),
 - (a) causing such Uncertificated Security to be continuously registered on the books of the issuer thereof to the Custodian; and
 - (b) causing the Custodian to indicate continuously on its books and records that such Uncertificated Security is credited to the applicable Account;
 - (iii) in the case of each Clearing Corporation Security,
 - (a) causing the relevant Clearing Corporation to credit such Clearing Corporation Security to the securities account of the Custodian; and
 - (b) causing the Custodian to indicate continuously on its books and records that such Clearing Corporation Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (iv) in the case of each security issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or agency or instrumentality thereof and that is maintained in book-entry records of a Federal Reserve Bank ("FRB") (each such security, a "Government Security"),
 - (a) causing the creation of a Security Entitlement to such Government Security by the credit of such Government Security to the securities account of the Custodian at such FRB; and

- (b) causing the Custodian to indicate continuously on its books and records that such Government Security is credited to the applicable Account;
- (v) in the case of each Security Entitlement not governed by <u>clauses (i)</u> through (iv) above,
 - (a) causing a Securities Intermediary (x) to indicate on its books and records that the underlying Financial Asset has been credited to the Custodian's securities account, (y) to receive a Financial Asset from a Securities Intermediary or acquiring the underlying Financial Asset for a Securities Intermediary, and in either case, accepting it for credit to the Custodian's securities account or (z) to become obligated under other law, regulation or rule to credit the underlying Financial Asset to a Securities Intermediary's securities account;
 - (b) causing such Securities Intermediary to make entries on its books and records continuously identifying such Security Entitlement as belonging to the Custodian and continuously indicating on its books and records that such Security Entitlement is credited to the Custodian's securities account; and
 - (c) causing the Custodian to indicate continuously on its books and records that such Security Entitlement (or all rights and property of the Custodian representing such Security Entitlement) is credited to the applicable Account;
 - (vi) in the case of Cash or Money,
 - (a) causing the delivery of such Cash or Money to the Trustee for credit to the applicable Account or to the Custodian;
 - (b) if delivered to the Custodian, causing the Custodian to treat such Cash or Money as a Financial Asset maintained by such Custodian for credit to the applicable Account in accordance with the provisions of Article 8 of the UCC or causing the Custodian to deposit such Cash or Money to a deposit account over which the Custodian has control (within the meaning of Section 9-104 of the UCC); and
 - (c) causing the Custodian to indicate continuously on its books and records that such Cash or Money is credited to the applicable Account; and
- (vii) in the case of each general intangible (including any Participation Interest in which neither the Participation Interest nor the underlying loan is represented by an Instrument),
 - (a) causing the filing of a Financing Statement in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C.; and
 - (b) in each case, causing the registration of the security interest granted under this Indenture in the register of charges maintained by the Bermuda

Registrar of Companies pursuant to and in accordance with the Bermuda Companies Act 1981 (as revised).

In addition, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall obtain any and all consents required by the Underlying Instruments relating to any general intangibles for the transfer of ownership and/or pledge hereunder (except to the extent that the requirement for such consent is rendered ineffective under Section 9-406 of the UCC).

"Designated Excess Par": The meaning specified in Section 9.2(h).

"Designated Principal Proceeds": The amounts on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount and/or the Ramp-Up Account that have been designated by the Portfolio Manager as Interest Proceeds on or before the Determination Date relating to the first Payment Date after the Effective Date, subject to a maximum of 1.00% of the Target Portfolio Par on each such Payment Date; *provided*, that no amount may be so designated unless (x) prior to and following such designation, (1) the Target Portfolio Par Condition has been satisfied and (2) each of the Collateral Quality Tests and the Concentration Limitations are satisfied and (y) prior to such designation, no other Principal Proceeds have been previously so designated.

"Determination Date": The last day of each Collection Period.

"**DIP Collateral Obligation**": A loan made to a debtor-in-possession pursuant to Section 364 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code having the priority allowed by either Section 364(c) or 364(d) of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code and fully secured by senior liens.

"Discount Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation that the Portfolio Manager determines is acquired by the Issuer for a purchase price (as determined without averaging the purchase price on different days) that is,

- (A) in the case of interests with an S&P Rating of below "B-", acquired by the Issuer for a purchase price of less than (x) the lower of (i) 85% of the principal balance of such Collateral Obligation and (ii) 90% of the Eligible Loan Index Price or (y) in the case of a bond only, the lower of (i) 75% of the principal balance of such Collateral Obligation and (ii) 85% of the applicable Eligible Bond Index Price; and
- (B) in the case of interests with an S&P Rating of "B-" or higher, acquired by the Issuer for a purchase price of less than (x) the lower of (i) 80% of the principal balance of such Collateral Obligation and (ii) 90% of the Eligible Loan Index Price or (y) in the case of a bond only, the lower of (i) 75% of the principal balance of such Collateral Obligation and (ii) 85% of the applicable Eligible Bond Index Price;

provided that such Collateral Obligation shall cease to be a Discount Obligation at such time as the Market Value (expressed as a percentage of par) of such Collateral Obligation, as determined for any period of 30 consecutive days since the acquisition by the Issuer of such Collateral Obligation, equals or exceeds 90% of the principal balance of such Collateral Obligation; provided further that (a) any Collateral Obligation that is purchased with proceeds

from a sale of a Collateral Obligation that was not a Discount Obligation at the time of its purchase and would otherwise be a Discount Obligation shall not be considered a Discount Obligation if such Collateral Obligation: (A) is purchased or committed to be purchased within 10 Business Days of such sale of a Collateral Obligation, (B) is purchased at a purchase price (expressed as a percentage of the par amount of such Collateral Obligation) equal to or greater than the sale price of such Collateral Obligation, (C) is purchased at a purchase price (at least equal to 60% of its Principal Balance (unless such obligation is acquired in a Bankruptcy Exchange)), and (D) has an S&P Rating equal to or greater than the S&P Rating of the sold Collateral Obligation and (b) the previous clause (a) shall not apply to such Collateral Obligation if at the time of such acquisition such application of clause (a) would result in more than 10.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount consisting of Collateral Obligations to which clause (a) has been applied.

"Distribution Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.6(b).

"Diversity Score": A single number that indicates Collateral Obligation concentration in terms of both issuer and industry concentration, calculated as set forth in Schedule 4 hereto.

"Divisive Merger": A division into two or more entities pursuant to the laws of any jurisdiction.

"**Dollar**" or "**U.S.\$**": A dollar or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United States of America as at the time shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private.

"**Domicile**" or "**Domiciled**": With respect to any issuer of, or obligor with respect to, a Collateral Obligation:

- (a) except as provided in <u>clause (b)</u>, <u>(c)</u> and <u>(d)</u> below, its country of organization;
- (b) if it is organized in a Tax Jurisdiction, each of such jurisdiction and the country in which, in the Portfolio Manager's good faith estimate, a substantial portion of its operations are located or from which a substantial portion of its revenue is derived, in each case directly or through subsidiaries (which shall be any jurisdiction and country known at the time of designation by the Portfolio Manager to be the source of the majority of revenues, if any, of such issuer or obligor);
- (c) if it is organized in Luxembourg, its "Domicile" shall be deemed to be the country in which, in the Portfolio Manager's good faith estimate, a substantial portion of its operations are located or from which a substantial portion of its revenue is derived, in each case directly or through subsidiaries (which shall be any jurisdiction and country known at the time of designation by the Portfolio Manager to be the source of the majority of revenues, if any, of such issuer or obligor); or

(d) if its payment obligations in respect of such Collateral Obligations are guaranteed, such guarantee satisfies the applicable Rating Agency criteria applicable to guarantees, and the guarantor under such guarantee is a person or entity that is organized in the United States, then the United States.

"DTC": The Depository Trust Company, its nominees and their respective successors.

"**Due Date**": Each date on which any payment is due on an Asset in accordance with its terms.

"Effective Date": The earlier to occur of (i) 40 calendar days prior to the first Payment Date and (ii) the first date on which the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator that the Target Portfolio Par Condition has been satisfied.

"Effective Date Report": A report prepared by the Collateral Administrator and determined as of the Effective Date, containing (A) the information required in a Monthly Report and (B) a calculation with respect to whether the Target Portfolio Par Condition is satisfied.

"Effective Date S&P Condition": A condition that will be satisfied if (a) the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date has not occurred, (b) the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) certifies to S&P that, as of the Effective Date, (x) the Effective Date Specified Tested Items are satisfied and (y) all reports required to be provided in connection with the Effective Date pursuant to Section 7.18(c) hereof have been provided and (c) the Issuer causes the Collateral Administrator to make available to S&P (i) the Effective Date Report showing satisfaction of the S&P CDO Monitor Test and the Target Portfolio Par Condition and (ii) the S&P Excel Default Model Input File.

"Effective Date Specified Tested Items": The Collateral Quality Test, the Overcollateralization Ratio Tests, the Concentration Limitations and the Target Portfolio Par Condition.

"Eligible Bond Index": Any of the nationally recognized Bond indices specified in Schedule 1 hereto, as such schedule may be amended from time to time by the Portfolio Manager upon prior notice to S&P in respect thereto; provided that any new index included on an amended Schedule 1 shall be a nationally recognized index for the relevant type of assets. The Portfolio Manager shall provide a copy of any amendment to Schedule 1 to the Collateral Administrator.

"Eligible Bond Index Price": On any date of determination with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a Bond, a price equal to the Eligible Bond Index price on such date of the Eligible Bond Index selected by the Portfolio Manager.

"Eligible Investment Required Ratings": So long as any Notes rated by S&P remains Outstanding, if such obligation or security has a long-term and a short-term senior

unsecured issuer or deposit ratings of at least "A" and "A-1" by S&P (or at least "A+" by S&P if such institution has no short-term rating).

"Eligible Investments": Either Cash or any Dollar investment that, at the time it is Delivered (directly or through an intermediary or bailee), (x) matures not later than the earlier of (A) the date that is 60 days after the date of Delivery thereof and (B) the Business Day immediately preceding the Payment Date immediately following the date of Delivery thereof unless such Eligible Investments are issued by the Trustee in its capacity as a banking institution, in which case such Eligible Investments may mature on such Payment Date, and (y) is one or more of the following obligations or securities:

- (i) direct Registered obligations of, and Registered obligations the timely payment of principal and interest on which is fully and expressly guaranteed by, the United States of America or any agency or instrumentality of the United States of America whose obligations are expressly backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America that satisfies the Eligible Investment Required Ratings at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment; *provided* that, notwithstanding the foregoing, the following securities shall not be Eligible Investments: (a) General Services Administration participation certificates, (b) U.S. Maritime Administration guaranteed Title XI financings; (c) Financing Corp. debt obligations; (d) Farmers Home Administration Certificates of Beneficial Ownership; and (e) Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority guaranteed transit bonds;
- (ii) demand and time deposits in, certificates of deposit of, trust accounts with, bankers' acceptances issued by, or federal funds sold by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States of America (including the Bank or an Affiliate of the Bank) or any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities, in each case payable within 183 days after issuance, so long as the commercial paper and/or the debt obligations of such depository institution or trust company at the time of such investment or contractual commitment providing for such investment have the Eligible Investment Required Ratings;
- (iii) commercial paper or other short-term obligations (other than Asset-Backed Commercial Paper) with the Eligible Investment Required Ratings and that either bear interest or are sold at a discount from the face amount thereof and have a maturity of not more than 183 days from their date of issuance; or
- (iv) shares or other securities of non-United States money market funds that have, at all times, credit ratings of (x) "Aaa-mf" by Moody's and (y) "AAAm" by S&P;

provided that (1) Eligible Investments purchased with funds in the Collection Account shall be held until maturity except as otherwise specifically provided herein and shall include only such obligations or securities, other than those referred to in clause (iv) above, as mature (or are putable at par to the issuer thereof) no later than the Business Day prior to the next Payment Date (or, if such Eligible Investments are issued by the Trustee in its capacity as a banking institution,

on such Payment Date); (2) none of the foregoing obligations or securities shall constitute Eligible Investments if (a) such obligation or security has an "(sf)" subscript assigned by Moody's or an "f", "p", "pi," "sf" or "t" subscript assigned to its rating by S&P, (b) all, or substantially all, of the remaining amounts payable thereunder consist of interest and not principal payments, (c) at the time such obligation or security is acquired, payments thereunder are subject to withholding tax, unless the related obligor is required to make "gross-up payments" that ensure that the net amount actually received by the Issuer (after payment of all such taxes) equals the full amount that the Issuer would have received had no such taxes been imposed, (d) such obligation or security is secured by real property, (e) such obligation or security is purchased at a price greater than 100% of the principal or face amount thereof, (f) such obligation or security is subject of a tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action, (g) in the Portfolio Manager's judgment, such obligation or security is subject to material non-credit related risks, (h) such obligation is a Structured Finance Obligation, or (i) such obligation or security is represented by a certificate of interest in a grantor trust; and (3) Asset-Backed Commercial Paper shall not be considered an Eligible Investment. Eligible Investments may include, without limitation, those investments issued by or made with the Bank or an Affiliate of the Bank or for which the Bank or the Trustee or an Affiliate of the Bank or the Trustee provides services and receives compensation. The Trustee shall not be responsible for determining if an investment is an "Eligible Investment."

"Eligible Loan Index": Any of the nationally recognized Loan indices specified in <u>Schedule 1</u> hereto, as such schedule may be amended from time to time by the Portfolio Manager upon prior notice to the Rating Agency in respect thereto; *provided* that any new index included on an amended <u>Schedule 1</u> shall be a nationally recognized index for the relevant type of assets. The Portfolio Manager shall provide a copy of any amendment to <u>Schedule 1</u> to the Collateral Administrator.

"Eligible Loan Index Price": On any date of determination with respect to any Collateral Obligation, a price equal to the Eligible Loan Index price on such date of the Eligible Loan Index selected by the Portfolio Manager.

"Enforcement Event": The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a)(iv).

"Equity Security": Any security or debt obligation (excluding any Specified Equity Security, Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Defaulted Obligation, including for the avoidance of doubt any of such Equity Security, Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Defaulted Obligation constituting Uptier Priming Debt) that by its terms does not provide for periodic payments of interest at a stated coupon rate and repayment of principal at a stated maturity and any other security that is not eligible for purchase by the Issuer as a Collateral Obligation and is not an Eligible Investment.

"ERISA": The United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended.

"EUWA": The United Kingdom European Union (Withdrawal) Act 2018 (as amended).

"EU/UK Retained Interest": The meaning specified in the Retention Undertaking Letter.

"EU/UK Retention Requirements": Article 6 of each of the Securitization Regulations.

"EU Securitization Regulation": European Union Regulation (EU) 2017/2402, together with any supplementing regulatory technical standards, implementing technical standards and any official guidance published in relation thereto

"Euroclear": Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V.

"Event of Default": The meaning specified in <u>Section 5.1</u>.

"Excepted Property": The meaning assigned in the Granting Clauses hereof.

"Excess Par Amount": An amount, as of any date of determination, equal to the greater of (a) zero and (b) (i) the Collateral Principal Amount less (ii) the Reinvestment Target Par Balance.

"Excess Weighted Average Coupon": A percentage equal as of any Measurement Date to a number obtained by multiplying (a) the excess, if any, of the Weighted Average Coupon over the Minimum Weighted Average Coupon by (b) the number obtained by dividing the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations.

"Excess Weighted Average Floating Spread": A percentage equal as of any Measurement Date to a number obtained by multiplying (a) the excess, if any, of the Weighted Average Floating Spread over the Minimum Floating Spread by (b) the number obtained by dividing the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations.

"Exchange Act": The United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

"Exercise Notice": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(c).

"Expense Reserve Account": The securities account established pursuant to Section 10.3(d).

"Fallback Rate": The rate (other than Term SOFR) determined by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion (and notified to the Trustee, the Calculation Agent and the Collateral Administrator) after giving due consideration to (x) the quarterly-pay rate associated with the reference rate applicable to the largest percentage of the Floating Rate Obligations (as

determined by the Portfolio Manager as of the applicable Interest Determination Date) other than Term SOFR or (y) the quarterly-pay rate (including any modifier thereto) being used by at least 50% of the floating rate notes priced or closed in new-issue or refinancing collateralized loan obligation transactions and/or floating rate notes in collateralized loan obligation transactions that have amended their benchmark rate, in each case within the past three months. For the avoidance of doubt, the Fallback Rate shall be no less than zero.

"FATCA": Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, any applicable intergovernmental agreements entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code (including the Bermuda IGA) or any legislation, regulations, guidance notes, rules or practices adopted pursuant to such intergovernmental agreement.

"FATCA Compliance": Compliance with FATCA, including maintaining status as a "reporting Model 1 FFI" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-1(b)(114), and including as necessary to reduce or eliminate any withholding tax or other tax that may be imposed thereunder in respect of payments to or for the benefit of the Issuer.

"FATCA Compliance Costs": The costs to the Issuer of achieving FATCA Compliance.

"Federal Reserve Board": The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System.

"Fee Basis Amount": As of any date of determination, the sum of (a) the Collateral Principal Amount (excluding Defaulted Obligations), (b) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Defaulted Obligations, (c) the aggregate outstanding principal amount (excluding any capitalized interest) of all Loss Mitigation Obligations and (d) the aggregate amount of all Principal Financed Accrued Interest.

"Financial Asset": The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(9) of the UCC.

"Financing Statements": The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(39) of the UCC.

"First-Lien Last-Out Loan": A Collateral Obligation that is a Senior Secured Loan but that, prior to a default with respect such loan, is entitled to receive payments *pari passu* with other secured Loans of the same obligor, but following a default becomes fully subordinated to the other secured Loans of the same obligor and is not entitled to any payments until such other secured Loans are paid in full.

"**Fixed Rate Notes**": Notes that bear interest at fixed rates, which on the Closing Date will consist of the Class B-F Notes, the Class C-F Notes, the Class D-J Notes and the Class E-F Notes.

"Fixed Rate Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation that bears a fixed rate of interest.

"Floating Rate Notes": Notes that bear interest at floating rates, which on the Closing Date will consist of the Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-J Notes, the Class B-1 Notes, the Class C-1 Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, and the Class E-1 Notes.

"Floating Rate Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation that bears a floating rate of interest.

"GAAP": The meaning specified in Section 6.3(j).

"Global Notes": The Regulation S Global Notes and the Rule 144A Global Notes.

"Global Secured Note": Any Regulation S Global Secured Note or Rule 144A Global Secured Note.

"Global Subordinated Note": Any Regulation S Global Subordinated Note or Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note.

"Grant" or "Granted": To grant, bargain, sell, convey, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge, create and grant a security interest in and right of setoff against, deposit, set over and confirm. A Grant of the Assets, or of any other instrument, shall include all rights, powers and options (but none of the obligations) of the granting party thereunder, including, the immediate continuing right to claim for, collect, receive and receipt for principal and interest payments in respect of the Assets, and all other Monies payable thereunder, to give and receive notices and other communications, to make waivers or other agreements, to exercise all rights and options, to bring Proceedings in the name of the granting party or otherwise, and generally to do and receive anything that the granting party is or may be entitled to do or receive thereunder or with respect thereto.

"Group I Country": The Netherlands, Australia, New Zealand and the United Kingdom (or such other countries as may be specified in publicly available published criteria from Moody's from time to time).

"Group II Country": Germany, Ireland, Sweden and Switzerland (or such other countries as may be specified in publicly available published criteria from Moody's from time to time).

"Group III Country": Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg and Norway (or such other countries as may be specified in publicly available published criteria from Moody's from time to time).

"Hedge Agreement": Any interest rate swap, floor and/or cap agreements, between the Issuer and any Hedge Counterparty, as amended from time to time, and any replacement agreement entered into in accordance with this Indenture.

"Hedge Counterparty": Any one or more institutions entering into or guaranteeing a Hedge Agreement with the Issuer that satisfies the Required Hedge Counterparty Rating that has entered into a Hedge Agreement with the Issuer, including any permitted assignee or successor under the Hedge Agreements.

"Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.3(g).

"High Yield Bond": Any obligation issued by a corporation, limited liability company, partnership or trust that is in the form of, or represented by, a bond, certificated debt security or other debt security (other than any of the foregoing that evidences a Loan or clause (i) of the Bond defined term).

"Highest Priority Class": Solely with respect to any Class or Classes rated by S&P as of any date of determination, the Class of Secured Notes Outstanding (other than the Class A-1 Notes) that ranks higher in right of payment than each other Class of Secured Notes in the Secured Notes Payment Sequence.

"Holder": With respect to any Notes, the Person whose name appears on the Register as the registered holder of such Notes.

"Holder Reporting Obligations": As defined in Section 2.13(c).

"Incentive Management Fee": An amount which the Portfolio Manager is entitled to receive on each Payment Date pursuant to Sections 11.1(a)(i)(W)(2), 11.1(a)(ii)(K)(2) and 11.1(a)(iv)(S)(2), as applicable, commencing on the Payment Date on which the Target Return has been achieved. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Portfolio Manager has resigned or has been removed as Portfolio Manager, the Incentive Management Fees that are due and payable to the former Portfolio Manager and any successor Portfolio Manager shall be based upon the former Portfolio Manager's determination of each Portfolio Manager's proportional participation and engagement in providing services to the Issuer in connection with the management of the Issuer's portfolio and duties in the Portfolio Management Agreement.

"Incurrence Covenant": A covenant by any borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants only upon the occurrence of certain actions of the borrower, including a debt issuance, dividend payment, share purchase, merger, acquisition or divestiture.

"Indenture": This instrument as originally executed and, if from time to time supplemented or amended by one or more indentures supplemental hereto entered into pursuant to the applicable provisions hereof, as so supplemented or amended.

"Independent": As to any Person, any other Person (including, in the case of an accountant or lawyer, a firm of accountants or lawyers, and any member thereof, or an investment bank and any member thereof) who (i) does not have and is not committed to acquire any material direct or any material indirect financial interest in such Person or in any Affiliate of such Person, and (ii) is not connected with such Person as an Officer, employee, promoter, underwriter, voting trustee, partner, director or Person performing similar functions. "Independent" when used with respect to any accountant may include an accountant who audits the books of such Person if in addition to satisfying the criteria set forth above the accountant is independent with respect to such Person within the meaning of Rule 101 of the Code of Professional Conduct of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. For purposes of this definition, no manager or director of any Person shall fail to be Independent solely because such Person acts as an independent manager or independent director thereof or of any such Person's affiliates.

Whenever any Independent Person's opinion or certificate is to be furnished to the Trustee, such opinion or certificate shall state that the signer has read this definition and that the signer is Independent within the meaning hereof.

Any pricing service, certified public accountant or legal counsel that is required to be Independent of another Person under this Indenture must satisfy the criteria above with respect to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates.

"Index Maturity": With respect to any Class of Secured Notes, the maturity of the Benchmark used to calculate the Interest Rate for such Class as indicated in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Industry Diversity Measure": As of any date of determination, the number obtained by *dividing* (a) 1 *by* (b) the sum of the squares of the quotients, for each S&P Industry Classification, obtained by *dividing* (i) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations) issued by obligors that belong to such S&P Industry Classification *by* (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations).

"Information": The information required by S&P's "Credit FAQ: Anatomy Of A Credit Estimate: What It Means And How We Do It" published January 14, 2021 and any other available information S&P reasonably requests in order to produce a credit estimate for a particular asset.

"Information Agent": The meaning specified in Section 7.20(b).

"Initial Purchaser": Jefferies LLC, in its capacity as initial purchaser under the Note Purchase Agreement.

"Initial Rating": With respect to the Secured Notes, the rating or ratings, if any, indicated in Section 2.3.

"Institutional Accredited Investor": An "accredited investor" within the meaning set forth in Rule 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) under the Securities Act.

"Institutional Collateral": The meaning specified in Section 10.4.

"Instrument": The meaning specified in Section 9-102(a)(47) of the UCC.

"Interest Accrual Period": With respect to each Class of Secured Notes (i) with respect to the initial Payment Date (or, in the case of a Class that is subject to a Refinancing or Re-Pricing, the first Payment Date following the Refinancing or Re-Pricing, as applicable), the period from and including the Closing Date (or, in the case of a Refinancing or a Re-Pricing, the date of issuance or incurrence of the replacement debt or the Re-Pricing Date, as applicable), to but excluding such Payment Date; and (ii) with respect to each succeeding Payment Date, the period from and including the immediately preceding Payment Date to but excluding the following Payment Date (or, in the case of a Class that is subject to (x) redemption or prepayment, as applicable, on a Partial Redemption Date, Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date or Redemption Date, to but excluding such Partial Redemption Date, Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date or Redemption Date, as applicable, and (y) a Re-Pricing, to but excluding the applicable Re-Pricing Date for such Class) until the principal of such Class is paid or made available for payment. Notwithstanding the foregoing, solely with respect to any Fixed Rate Notes, the Payment Dates referenced for purposes of determining any Interest Accrual Period shall be deemed to be the 20th day of the relevant calendar month set forth in the definition of Payment Date, irrespective of whether such day is a Business Day.

"Interest Collection Subaccount": The meaning specified in Section 10.2(a).

"Interest Coverage Ratio": For any designated Class or Classes of Secured Notes, as of any date of determination, the percentage derived from the following equation: (A – B) / C, where:

A = The Collateral Interest Amount as of such date of determination;

B = Amounts payable (or expected as of the date of determination to be payable) on the following Payment Date as set forth in clauses (A) through (C) in Section 11.1(a)(i); and

C = Interest due and payable on the Secured Notes of such Class or Classes and each Class of Secured Notes that rank senior to or *pari passu* with such Class or Classes (excluding Deferred Interest but including any interest on Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes) on such Payment Date.

"Interest Coverage Test": A test that is satisfied with respect to any designated Class or Classes of Secured Notes (other than the Class E Notes) as of any date of determination on, or subsequent to, the Determination Date occurring immediately prior to the second Payment Date, if (i) the Interest Coverage Ratio for such Class or Classes on such date is at least equal to

the Required Interest Coverage Ratio for such Class or Classes or (ii) such Class or Classes of Secured Notes are no longer Outstanding.

"Interest Determination Date": The second U.S. Government Securities Business Day preceding the first day of each Interest Accrual Period.

"Interest Determination End Date": April 20, 2024.

"Interest Diversion Test": A test that shall be satisfied on any Measurement Date during the Reinvestment Period if the Overcollateralization Ratio with respect to the Class E Notes is equal to or greater than 104.29%.

"Interest Proceeds": With respect to any Collection Period or Determination Date, without duplication, the sum of:

- (i) all payments of interest and delayed compensation (representing compensation for delayed settlement) received in Cash by the Issuer during the related Collection Period on the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments, including the accrued interest received in connection with a sale thereof during the related Collection Period, less any such amount that represents Principal Financed Accrued Interest;
- (ii) all principal and interest payments received by the Issuer during the related Collection Period on Eligible Investments purchased with Interest Proceeds;
- (iii) all amendment and waiver fees, late payment fees, ticking fees and other fees received by the Issuer during the related Collection Period, except for those in connection with the reduction of the par of the related Collateral Obligation, as determined by the Portfolio Manager with notice to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator:
- (iv) commitment fees and other similar fees received by the Issuer during such Collection Period in respect of Revolving Collateral Obligations and Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations;
- (v) any payment received with respect to any Hedge Agreement other than (a) an upfront payment received upon entering into such Hedge Agreement or (b) a payment (excluding any payment or portion thereof in respect of Unpaid Amounts (as defined in the relevant Hedge Agreement)) received as a result of the termination of any Hedge Agreement (net of any amounts due and payable by the Issuer to the related Hedge Counterparty in connection with such termination) to the extent not used by the Issuer to enter into a new or replacement Hedge Agreement (for purposes of this <u>subclause (v)</u>, any such payment received or to be received on or before 10:00 a.m. New York time on the related Payment Date shall be deemed received in respect of the preceding Collection Period and included in the calculation of Interest Proceeds received in such Collection Period);

- (vi) any amounts deposited in the Collection Account from the Expense Reserve Account that are designated as Interest Proceeds in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Indenture in respect of the related Determination Date;
- (vii) any Designated Principal Proceeds deposited in the Interest Collection Subaccount from the Principal Collection Subaccount and/or the Ramp-Up Account at the direction of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to <u>Section 10.2(a)</u> and/or <u>Section 10.3(c)</u>, as the case may be;
- (viii) any amounts deposited in the Interest Collection Subaccount from the Interest Reserve Account at the direction of the Portfolio Manager pursuant to <u>Section</u> 10.3(e);
- (ix) any monies received from external sources for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than payments on or in respect of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other existing Assets) and designated as Interest Proceeds by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture;
- (x) any interest received in Cash by the Issuer during the related Collection Period on any asset held by an Issuer Subsidiary that does not constitute a Defaulted Obligation or an Equity Security;
- (xi) any Designated Excess Par in connection with a Refinancing of all Classes of Secured Notes; and
- (xii) any Contributions that the Portfolio Manager designates as Interest Proceeds.

provided that (a) any amounts received in respect of any Defaulted Obligation (other than a Specified Defaulted Obligation) will constitute (x) Principal Proceeds (and not Interest Proceeds) until the aggregate of all collections in respect of such Defaulted Obligation since it became a Defaulted Obligation equals the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation at the time it became a Defaulted Obligation and (y) Interest Proceeds thereafter, (b) the portion of any prepayment of a Collateral Obligation that is above the par amount of such Collateral Obligation will constitute Principal Proceeds (and not Interest Proceeds) and (c) the Portfolio Manager (in its sole discretion exercised on or before the related Determination Date) may classify any and all amounts (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Sale Proceeds or fees) received in respect of Loss Mitigation Obligations, Specified Defaulted Obligations or Specified Equity Securities as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds; provided, further, that with respect to this clause (c), any and all amounts (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Sale Proceeds or fees) received in respect of any (x) Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Defaulted Obligation that was acquired in connection with a scheme to mitigate losses with respect to, or as part of a workout or restructuring of, a Defaulted Obligation or a Credit Risk Obligation or (y) Specified Equity Security will, in each case, constitute Principal Proceeds (and not Interest Proceeds) until the sum of the aggregate of all recoveries in respect of such Loss Mitigation Obligation, Specified Defaulted Obligation or Specified Equity Security, plus the aggregate of all recoveries in respect

of the related Defaulted Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation, as applicable, equals the sum of (A) the outstanding Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation when it became a Defaulted Obligation or a Credit Risk Obligation and (B) the higher of (x) the aggregate amount of Principal Proceeds used to acquire such Loss Mitigation Obligation, Specified Defaulted Obligation or Specified Equity Security and (y) the value of such Loss Mitigation Obligation, Specified Defaulted Obligation or Specified Equity Security for purposes of calculating the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount.

"Interest Rate": With respect to each Class of Secured Notes, (i) unless a Re-Pricing has occurred with respect to such Class of Notes, the *per annum* stated interest rate payable on such Class with respect to each Interest Accrual Period specified in Section 2.3 and (ii) upon the occurrence of a Re-Pricing with respect to such Re-Priced Class for Floating Rate Notes, the applicable Re-Pricing Rate *plus* the Benchmark for such Interest Accrual Period.

"Interest Reserve Account": The securities account established pursuant to Section 10.3(e).

"Interest Reserve Amount": U.S.\$1,900,000.

"Internal Rate of Return": For purposes of the definition of Incentive Management Fee, the rate of return on the Subordinated Notes that would result in a net present value of zero, assuming (i) an initial negative cash flow equal to U.S.\$ 25,350,000 in respect of the Subordinated Notes and all payments to Holders of the Subordinated Notes on the current and each preceding Payment Date as subsequent positive cash flows (including the Redemption Date), if applicable, (ii) the initial date for the calculation as the Closing Date, (iii) the number of days to each subsequent Payment Date from the Closing Date calculated on an Actual/365 basis and (iv) such rate of return shall be calculated using the XIRR function in Excel (or any successor program).

"Investment Advisers Act": The United States Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

"Investment Company Act": The United States Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.

"Investment Criteria": The criteria specified in <u>Section 12.2(a)(1)</u> and <u>Section 12.2(a)(2)</u>, collectively.

"Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance": With respect to each Collateral Obligation, the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation; *provided* that for all purposes the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of any:

(i) Deferring Security shall be the S&P Collateral Value of such Deferring Security;

- (ii) Discount Obligation shall be the product of (x) the purchase price (expressed as a percentage of par) and (y) the Principal Balance of such Discount Obligation; and
- (iii) CCC/Caa Collateral Obligation included in the CCC/Caa Excess shall be the Market Value of such Collateral Obligation;

provided, further, that the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance for any Collateral Obligation that satisfies more than one of the definitions of Deferring Security, Discount Obligation or is included in the CCC/Caa Excess shall be the lowest amount determined pursuant to <u>clauses (i)</u>, (ii) and (iii).

"Issuer": The Person named as such on the first page of this Indenture until a successor Person shall have become the Issuer pursuant to the applicable provisions of this Indenture, and thereafter "Issuer" shall mean such successor Person.

"Issuer Order" and "Issuer Request": A written order or request (which may be a standing order or request) dated and signed in the name of the Applicable Issuers or by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, or by the Portfolio Manager by an Authorized Officer thereof, on behalf of the Issuer. For the avoidance of doubt, an order or request provided in an email or other electronic communication acceptable to the Trustee sent by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer or Co-Issuer or by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer shall constitute an Issuer Order, in each case except to the extent that the Trustee requests otherwise.

"Issuer Subsidiary": The meaning specified in Section 7.17(e).

"Issuer Subsidiary Assets": The meaning specified in Section 7.17(g).

"Junior Class": With respect to a particular Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that is subordinated to such Class, as indicated in Section 2.3.

"Junior Mezzanine Notes": The meaning specified in Section 2.14(a).

"Knowledgeable Employee": The meaning set forth in Rule 3c-5 promulgated under the Investment Company Act.

"Loan": Any obligation for the payment or repayment of borrowed money that is documented by a term loan agreement, revolving loan agreement or other similar credit agreement.

"Long-Dated Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation or Loss Mitigation Obligation that has a stated maturity later than the earliest Stated Maturity of the Notes.

"Loss Mitigation Obligation": A Loan or a Bond purchased by the Issuer in connection with the workout, restructuring or a related scheme to mitigate losses with respect to a related Obligation or a related Credit Risk Obligation, as applicable, which Loan or a

Bond, in the Portfolio Manager's judgment exercised in accordance with the Portfolio Management Agreement, is necessary to collect an increased recovery value of the related Defaulted Obligation or the related Credit Risk Obligation, as applicable; *provided*, that, (a) the Portfolio Manager may designate (by written notice to the Issuer and the Collateral Administrator) any Loss Mitigation Obligation as a Specified Defaulted Obligation so long as the Specified Defaulted Obligation Condition is satisfied (and, for the avoidance of doubt, any such Specified Defaulted Obligation shall constitute a Defaulted Obligation and not a Loss Mitigation Obligation) and (b) on any Business Day as of which such Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Defaulted Obligation satisfies the definition of "Collateral Obligation", the Portfolio Manager may designate (by written notice to the Issuer and the Collateral Administrator) such Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Defaulted Obligation, as applicable, as a "Collateral Obligation". For the avoidance of doubt, any Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Defaulted Obligation designated as a "Collateral Obligation" in accordance with the terms of this definition shall constitute a Collateral Obligation (and not a Loss Mitigation Obligation or a Specified Defaulted Obligation), in each case, following such designation.

"Maintenance Covenant": A covenant by any borrower to comply with one or more financial covenants during each reporting period, whether or not such borrower has taken any specified action.

"Majority": With respect to any Class of Notes, the holders of more than 50% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class.

"Margin Stock": "Margin Stock" as defined under Regulation U issued by the Federal Reserve Board, including any debt security which is by its terms convertible into "Margin Stock."

"Market Value": With respect to any Collateral Obligation or other assets, the amount (determined by the Portfolio Manager) equal to the product of the principal amount thereof and the price determined in the following manner:

- (i) the bid price determined by the Loan Pricing Corporation, LoanX Inc. or Markit Group Limited or any other nationally recognized loan pricing service or bond pricing service selected by the Portfolio Manager with notice to the Rating Agency (only for so long as any Secured Notes remain Outstanding); or
 - (ii) if the price described in <u>clause (i)</u> is not available,
 - (A) the average of the bid prices determined by three broker-dealers active in the trading of such asset that are Independent from each other and the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager;
 - (B) if only two such bids can be obtained, the lower of the bid prices of such two bids; or

- (C) if only one such bid can be obtained, and such bid was obtained from a Qualified Broker/Dealer, such bid; or
- (iii) if a price or such bid described in <u>clause (i)</u> or <u>(ii)</u> is not available, then the Market Value of an asset shall be the lower of (x) the lower of (A) the S&P Recovery Rate and (B) 70% of the outstanding principal amount of such Collateral Obligation and (y) the price at which the Portfolio Manager reasonably believes such asset could be sold in the market within 30 days, as certified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee and determined by the Portfolio Manager consistent with the manner in which it would determine the market value of an asset for purposes of other funds or accounts managed by it; *provided* that, if the Portfolio Manager is not a Registered Investment Adviser, the Market Value of any such asset may not be determined in accordance with this <u>clause (iii)</u> for more than 30 days; or
- (iv) if the Market Value of an asset is not determined in accordance with <u>clause (i)</u>, <u>(ii)</u> or <u>(iii)</u> above, then such Market Value shall be deemed to be zero until such determination is made in accordance with <u>clause (i)</u> or <u>(ii)</u> above.

"Material Change": The meaning specified in <u>Schedule 5</u> hereto.

"Maturity": With respect to any Notes, the date on which the unpaid principal of such Notes becomes due and payable as therein or herein provided, whether at the Stated Maturity or by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise.

"Maturity Amendment": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, any waiver, modification, amendment or variance (other than, in the case of a Defaulted Obligation or Loss Mitigation Obligation, in connection with an insolvency, bankruptcy, or distressed reorganization of the Obligor thereof) that would extend the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation. For the avoidance of doubt, a waiver, modification, amendment or variance that would extend the stated maturity date of the credit facility of which a Collateral Obligation is part, or is made as part of an Uptier Priming Transaction and in respect of Uptier Priming Debt, but would not extend the stated maturity date of the Collateral Obligation held by the Issuer, does not constitute a Maturity Amendment.

"Maximum Moody's Rating Factor Test": A test that will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligations is less than or equal to 3250.

"Measurement Date": (i) Any day on which a purchase of a Collateral Obligation occurs, (ii) any Determination Date, (iii) the date as of which the information in any Monthly Report is calculated, (iv) with five (5) Business Days' prior written notice, any Business Day requested by the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Outstanding Notes and (v) the Effective Date.

"Medium Obligor Loan": Any obligation made pursuant to Underlying Instruments that govern the issuance of indebtedness having an aggregate principal amount

(whether drawn or undrawn) together with all other tranches of indebtedness issued by such obligor that (A) is greater than or equal to U.S.\$200,000,000 but less than U.S.\$300,000,000 at the time of acquisition by the Issuer or (B) if such obligation is being acquired by the Issuer in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange, either was greater than or equal to U.S.\$150,000,000 but less than U.S.\$250,000,000 immediately prior to giving effect to such Bankruptcy Exchange or is greater than or equal to U.S.\$200,000,000 but less than U.S.\$300,000,000 at the time of acquisition by the Issuer.

"Merger": The merger of the Warehousing SPE into the Issuer as contemplated by the Merger Agreements.

"Merger Agreements": The Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated on or about March 13, 2024, between the Issuer and the Warehousing SPE.

"Merging Entity": As defined in Section 7.10.

"Memorandum and Bye-Laws": The Issuer's amended and restated memorandum of association and bye-laws, as they may be further amended, revised or restated from time to time.

"Minimum Denomination": With respect to each Class, the minimum denominations and integral multiples specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Minimum Floating Spread": The applicable percentage set forth in the definition of "S&P CDO Monitor" upon the option chosen by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with Section 1 of Schedule 6 hereof; provided that the Minimum Floating Spread shall in no event be lower than 2.00%.

"Minimum Floating Spread Test": The test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Floating Spread *plus* the Excess Weighted Average Coupon equals or exceeds the Minimum Floating Spread.

"Minimum Weighted Average Coupon": (i) If any of the Collateral Obligations are Fixed Rate Obligations, 5% and (ii) otherwise, 0.00%.

"Minimum Weighted Average Coupon Test": A test that is satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Coupon *plus* the Excess Weighted Average Floating Spread equals or exceeds the Minimum Weighted Average Coupon.

"Money": The meaning specified in Section 1-201(24) of the UCC.

"Monthly Report": The meaning specified in Section 10.6(a).

"Moody's": Moody's Investors Service and any successor thereto; *provided* that if Moody's is no longer rating the Secured Notes at the request of the Issuer, references to it

hereunder and under and for all purposes of this Indenture and the other Transaction Documents shall be inapplicable and shall have no force or effect.

"Moody's Default Probability Rating": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the rating determined pursuant to <u>Schedule 5</u> hereto (or such other schedule provided by Moody's to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Portfolio Manager).

"Moody's Derived Rating": With respect to any Collateral Obligation whose Moody's Rating or Moody's Default Probability Rating cannot otherwise be determined pursuant to the definitions thereof, the rating determined for such Collateral Obligation as set forth in Schedule 5 hereto (or such other schedule provided by Moody's to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Portfolio Manager).

"Moody's Diversity Test": A test which will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Diversity Score (rounded to the nearest whole number) equals or exceeds 50.

"Moody's Industry Classification": The industry classifications set forth in Schedule 2 hereto, as such industry classifications shall be updated at the option of the Portfolio Manager if Moody's publishes revised industry classifications.

"Moody's Rating": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, the rating determined pursuant to <u>Schedule 5</u> hereto (or such other schedule provided by Moody's to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Portfolio Manager).

"Moody's Rating Factor": For each Collateral Obligation, the number set forth in the table below opposite the Moody's Default Probability Rating of such Collateral Obligation.

Moody's Default Probability Rating	Moody's Rating Factor	Moody's Default Probability Rating	Moody's Rating Factor
Aaa	1	Ba1	940
Aa1	10	Ba2	1,350
Aa2	20	Ba3	1,766
Aa3	40	B1	2,220
A1	70	B2	2,720
A2	120	В3	3,490
A3	180	Caa1	4,770
Baa1	260	Caa2	6,500
Baa2	360	Caa3	8,070
Baa3	610	Ca or lower	10,000

"Non-Call Period": The period from the Closing Date to, but excluding, the Payment Date in April 2026.

"Non-Emerging Market Obligor": Any obligor that is Domiciled in (a) the United States, (b) any other country that has a local currency country risk bond ceiling rating of

at least "Aa2" by Moody's and a foreign currency issuer credit rating of at least "AA" by S&P or (c) a Tax Jurisdiction that has a local currency country risk bond ceiling rating of at least "Aa2" by Moody's and a foreign currency issuer credit rating of at least "AA" by S&P.

"Non-Payment Date Refinancing": Any Refinancing of all Classes of Secured Notes (in whole and not in part) that occurs on a Business Day that is not a Payment Date.

"Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date": The date on which any Non-Payment Date Refinancing occurs.

"Non-Permitted ERISA Holder": As defined in Section 2.12(d).

"Non-Permitted Holder": As defined in Section 2.12(b).

"Non-Permitted Tax Holder": Any Holder or beneficial owner (i) that fails to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations or (ii) (x) if the Issuer reasonably determines that such Holder's or beneficial owner's direct or indirect acquisition, holding or transfer of an interest in any Notes would cause the Issuer to be unable to achieve FATCA Compliance or (y) that is or that the Issuer is required to treat as a "nonparticipating FFI" or a "recalcitrant account holder" of the Issuer, in each case as defined in FATCA.

"Note Interest Amount": With respect to any Class of Secured Notes and any Payment Date, the amount of interest for the related Interest Accrual Period, payable in respect of each U.S.\$100,000 Outstanding principal amount of such Class of Secured Notes.

"Note Purchase Agreement": The note purchase agreement to be entered into among the Co-Issuers and the Initial Purchaser in respect of the Offered Securities purchased by the Initial Purchaser, as amended from time to time.

"Noteholder": With respect to any Note, the Person whose name appears on the Register as the registered holder of such Note.

"Notes": Collectively, the Secured Notes and the Subordinated Notes authorized by, and authenticated and delivered under, this Indenture (as specified in Section 2.3).

"Notional Accrual Period": Each of (a) the period from, and including, the Closing Date to, but excluding, the Interest Determination End Date, and (b) thereafter, the period from, and including, the Interest Determination End Date to, but excluding, the first Payment Date.

"NRSRO": A nationally recognized statistical rating organization as the term is used in federal securities law.

"NRSRO Certification": A letter, substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit I</u> hereto, executed by an NRSRO and addressed to the Information Agent, with a copy to the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager, attaching a copy of a certification satisfying the requirements

of paragraph (a)(3)(iii)(B) of Rule 17g-5, upon which the Information Agent may conclusively rely for purposes of granting such NRSRO access to the 17g-5 Website.

"**Obligor**": The issuer of a Bond or the obligor or guarantor under a loan, as the case may be.

"Obligor Diversity Measure": As of any date of determination, the number obtained by *dividing* (a) 1 by (b) the sum of the squares of the quotients, for each Obligor, obtained by *dividing* (i) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations) issued by such Obligor *divided* by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations).

"OECD": Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development.

"Offer": A tender offer, voluntary redemption, exchange offer, conversion or other similar action.

"Offered Securities": The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes, the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes.

"Offering": The offering of any Offered Securities pursuant to the relevant Offering Circular.

"Offering Circular": The Offering Circular relating to the offer and sale of the Offered Securities dated March 5, 2024, including any supplements thereto.

"Officer": (a) With respect to the Issuer and any corporation, the Chairman of the Board of Directors (or, with respect to the Issuer, any director), the President, any Vice President, the Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer of such entity and (b) with respect to the Co-Issuer and any limited liability company, any managing member or manager thereof or any person to whom the rights and powers of management thereof are delegated in accordance with the limited liability company agreement of such limited liability company.

"offshore transaction": The meaning specified in Regulation S.

"Opinion of Counsel": A written opinion addressed to the Trustee (and, if applicable, the Portfolio Manager and/or Issuer) and, if required by the terms hereof, the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes, in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager (if applicable) (and, if so addressed, the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes), of an attorney admitted to practice, or a nationally or internationally recognized and reputable law firm one or more of the partners of which are admitted to practice, before the highest court of any State of the United States or the District of Columbia (or Bermuda, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of Bermuda), which attorney or law firm, as the case may be, may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this

Indenture, be counsel for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, and which attorney or law firm, as the case may be, shall be reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager (if applicable). Whenever an Opinion of Counsel is required hereunder, such Opinion of Counsel may rely on opinions of other counsel who are so admitted and so satisfactory, which opinions of other counsel shall accompany such Opinion of Counsel and shall be addressed to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager (if applicable) (and, if required by the terms hereof, the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes) or shall state that the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager (if applicable) (and, if required by the terms hereof, the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes) shall be entitled to rely thereon.

"Optional Redemption": A redemption of the Notes, in whole or in part, in accordance with <u>Section 9.2</u>.

"Other Plan Law": Any federal, state, local or non-U.S. laws or regulations that are substantially similar to the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.

"Outstanding": With respect to any Notes or the Notes of any specified Class, as of any date of determination, all of such Notes or all of the Notes of such Class, as the case may be, theretofore authenticated and delivered under this Indenture, except:

- (i) Notes theretofore cancelled by the Registrar or delivered to the Registrar for cancellation in accordance with the terms of Section 2.9;
- (ii) Notes or portions thereof for whose payment or redemption funds in the necessary amount have been theretofore irrevocably deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for the Holders of such Notes pursuant to Section 4.1(a)(ii); provided that if such Notes or portions thereof are to be redeemed, notice of such redemption has been duly given pursuant to this Indenture or provision therefor satisfactory to the Trustee has been made;
- (iii) Notes in exchange for or in lieu of which other Notes have been authenticated and delivered pursuant to this Indenture, unless proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that any such Notes are held by a "protected purchaser" (within the meaning of Section 8-303 of the UCC); and
- (iv) Notes alleged to have been mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen for which replacement Notes have been issued as provided in Section 2.6;

provided that in determining whether the Holders of the requisite Aggregate Outstanding Amount have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, (a) Notes owned by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or (only in the case of a vote on (i) the removal of the Portfolio Manager for "cause" and (ii) the waiver of any event constituting "cause") the Portfolio Manager, an Affiliate thereof, or an account, fund, client or portfolio established and controlled by the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate thereof or for which the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate thereof acts as the investment adviser or with respect to which

it or an Affiliate exercises discretionary authority shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding, except that, in determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying upon any such request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver, only Notes that a Trust Officer of the Trustee actually knows to be so owned shall be so disregarded and (b) Notes so owned that have been pledged in good faith shall be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the reasonable satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to such Notes and that the pledgee is not one of the Persons specified above; provided, further that each Surrendered Note of a Class shall continue to be treated as Outstanding for purposes of calculating the Overcollateralization Ratio Tests (including, for the avoidance of doubt, after the execution of any action which may improve or maintain the Overcollateralization Ratio Tests) and the Interest Diversion Test until (i) if all of the Notes of any applicable Class constitute Surrendered Notes, the entire Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Priority Class with respect to the Class constituting Surrendered Notes shall have been paid in full (including payment of all unpaid interest) or (ii) if less than all of the Notes of an applicable Class constitute Surrendered Notes, (x) the entire Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Priority Class with respect to the Class constituting Surrendered Notes shall have been paid in full and (y) the remaining Notes of such Class shall have been paid in full (including payment of all unpaid interest); provided that in the case of this clause (ii), all payments of principal to the Holders of remaining Notes of the applicable Class shall be deemed to reduce the principal amount of the Surrendered Notes on a pro rata basis (calculated as if the whole Class were Outstanding for all purposes); provided that all calculations of the Overcollateralization Ratio Tests and the Interest Diversion Test shall be made on a pro forma basis in connection with the determinations set forth above.

"Overcollateralization Ratio": With respect to any specified Class or Classes of Secured Notes as of any date of determination, the percentage derived from: (i) the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount on such date *divided* by (ii) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount on such date of the Secured Notes of such Class or Classes and each Priority Class of Secured Notes (including all applicable Deferred Interest).

"Overcollateralization Ratio Test": A test that is satisfied with respect to any designated Class or Classes of Secured Notes as of any date of determination on which such test is applicable if (i) the Overcollateralization Ratio for such Class or Classes on such date is at least equal to the Required Overcollateralization Ratio for such Class or Classes or (ii) such Class or Classes of Secured Notes are no longer Outstanding.

"Pari Passu Class": With respect to any Class of Notes, each other Class of Notes indicated as such in the row entitled "Pari Passu Classes" in Section 2.3 hereof.

"Partial Redemption": Any Refinancing of fewer than all Classes of Secured Notes.

"Partial Redemption Date": The date on which any Partial Redemption occurs.

"Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds": In connection with any Partial Redemption, an amount equal to the sum of (i) with respect to each such Class subject to such Partial Redemption, Interest Proceeds up to the amount of accrued and unpaid interest on such

Class, but only to the extent that, in the commercially reasonable determination of the Portfolio Manager, such Interest Proceeds would be available under the Priority of Payments to pay accrued and unpaid interest on such Class on the Partial Redemption Date related to such Partial Redemption (or, if the Partial Redemption Date is not otherwise a Payment Date, only to the extent that such Interest Proceeds would be available under the Priority of Payments to pay accrued and unpaid interest on such Class on the next Payment Date, taking into account Scheduled Distributions on the Assets that are expected to be received prior to the next Determination Date) plus (ii) if the Partial Redemption Date is not otherwise a Payment Date, an amount equal to the amount the Portfolio Manager determines, in its commercially reasonable judgment, would have been available for distribution under clause (U) of Section 11.1(a)(i) for the payment of Administrative Expenses with respect to such Partial Redemption on the next subsequent Payment Date.

"Participation Interest": An interest in a loan acquired indirectly from a Selling Institution by way of participation that, at the time of acquisition or the Issuer's commitment to acquire the same, satisfies each of the following criteria: (i) the loan underlying such participation would constitute a Collateral Obligation were it acquired directly, (ii) the Selling Institution under the participation is a lender on the loan, (iii) the aggregate participation in the loan granted by such Selling Institution to any one or more participants does not exceed the principal amount or commitment with respect to which the Selling Institution is a lender of such loan, (iv) such participation does not grant, in the aggregate, to the participant in such participation interest a greater interest than the Selling Institution holds in the loan or commitment that is the subject of the participation interest, (v) the entire purchase price for such participation interest is paid in full (without the benefit of financing from the Selling Institution or its Affiliates) at the time of the Issuer's acquisition (or, to the extent of a participation in the unfunded commitment under a Revolving Collateral Obligation, Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation and Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation, at the time of the funding of such loan), (vi) the participation interest provides the participant all of the economic benefit and risk of the whole or part of the loan or commitment that is the subject of the loan participation interest, (vii) such participation is represented by a contractual obligation of a Selling Institution that has at the time of such acquisition or the Issuer's commitment to acquire the same, a long-term senior unsecured debt rating or a guarantor with a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A" by S&P and a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, and (viii) such participation is documented under a Loan Syndications and Trading Association, Loan Market Association or similar agreement standard for loan participation transactions among institutional market participants. For the avoidance of doubt, a Participation Interest shall not include a sub-participation interest in any loan.

"Paying Agent": Any Person authorized by the Issuer to pay the principal of or interest on any Notes on behalf of the Issuer as specified in <u>Section 7.2</u>.

"Payment Account": The payment account of the Trustee established pursuant to Section 10.3(a).

"Payment Date": The 20th day of January, April, July and October of each year (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) commencing in July

2024 and each Redemption Date (other than a Partial Redemption Date that does not otherwise fall on a Payment Date and a Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date), except that (1) the final Payment Date (subject to any earlier redemption or payment of the Notes) shall be the Stated Maturity (or, if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) and (2) following the redemption or repayment in full of the Secured Notes, Holders of Subordinated Notes may receive payments on any dates designated by the Portfolio Manager (which dates may or may not be the dates stated above) with at least five (5) Business Days' prior written notice to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator (which notice the Trustee shall promptly forward to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes).

"PBGC": The United States Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

"Permitted Deferrable Security": Any Deferrable Security the Underlying Instrument of which carries a current cash pay interest rate of not less than (a) in the case of a Floating Rate Obligation, the then-current Benchmark plus 1.00% per annum or (b) in the case of a Fixed Rate Obligation, the zero-coupon swap rate in a fixed/floating interest rate swap with a term equal to five years.

"Permitted IAI": The meaning specified in Section 2.2(b)(iii).

"Permitted Liens": With respect to the Assets: (i) security interests, liens and other encumbrances created pursuant to the Transaction Documents, (ii) security interests, liens and other encumbrances in favor of the Trustee created pursuant to this Indenture and (iii) security interests, liens and other encumbrances, if any, which have priority over first priority perfected security interests in the Collateral Obligations or any portion thereof under the UCC or any other applicable law.

"Permitted Offer": An Offer (i) pursuant to the terms of which the offeror offers to acquire a debt obligation (including a Collateral Obligation) in exchange for consideration consisting of (x) Cash in an amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation being exchanged *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest or (y) other debt obligations that rank *pari passu* with or senior to the debt obligation being exchanged which have a face amount equal to or greater than the full face amount of the debt obligation being exchanged and are eligible to be Collateral Obligations *plus* any accrued and unpaid interest in Cash and (ii) as to which the Portfolio Manager has determined in its reasonable commercial judgment that the offeror has sufficient access to financing to consummate the Offer.

"Permitted Use": With respect to any amounts on deposit in the Permitted Use Account or the proceeds of any additional Subordinated Notes or Junior Mezzanine Notes, any of the following uses: (i) the transfer of the applicable portion of such amount to the Interest Collection Subaccount for application as Interest Proceeds, (ii) the transfer of the applicable portion of such amount to the Principal Collection Subaccount for application as Principal Proceeds, which may be used to purchase or acquire additional Assets during the Reinvestment Period; provided, that such purchases and acquisitions will be subject to the otherwise applicable Investment Criteria, (iii) subject to applicable law, the repurchase of Secured Notes in accordance with this Indenture, (iv) the transfer of the applicable portion of such amount to pay

any costs or expenses associated with a Refinancing, a Re-Pricing or an additional issuance of Notes, (v) to make payments in connection with the exercise of an option, warrant, right of conversion, pre-emptive right, the right to participate in a rights offering, credit bid or similar right in connection with the workout or restructuring of a Collateral Obligation, (vi) the purchase or acquisition of Loss Mitigation Obligations or Specified Equity Securities and (vii) any other use for which amounts held by the Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary are permitted to be used in accordance with the terms of this Indenture; *provided*, that any such transfer or designation pursuant to clauses (i), (ii), (iv), (v) and (vi) shall be irrevocable.

"Permitted Use Account": The securities account established pursuant to Section 10.3(f).

"Person": An individual, corporation (including a business trust), partnership, limited liability company, joint venture, association, joint stock company, statutory trust, trust (including any beneficiary thereof), unincorporated association or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Plan Fiduciary": The meaning specified in Section 2.5(j)(iv).

"Portfolio Company": Any company that is controlled by the Portfolio Manager, an Affiliate thereof, or an account, fund, client or portfolio established and controlled by the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate thereof unless such company has a board of directors or managers that is Independent of the board of directors or managers of the Portfolio Manager.

"Portfolio Management Agreement": The agreement dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager under which the Portfolio Manager shall perform certain investment management and administrative functions with respect to the Assets.

"Portfolio Management Fee": The Base Management Fee, the Subordinated Management Fee and the Incentive Management Fee.

"Portfolio Manager": Apex Credit Partners LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, until a successor Person shall have become the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the provisions of the Portfolio Management Agreement, and thereafter "Portfolio Manager" shall mean such successor Person.

"Pre-Emptive Uptier Priming Debt": Any Uptier Priming Debt that satisfied the definition of "Collateral Obligation" on the trade thereof solely by virtue of the carve-outs or exceptions in respect of Uptier Priming Debt set forth in the definition of "Collateral Obligation".

"Principal Balance": Subject to Section 1.3, with respect to (a) any Asset other than a Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Asset (excluding any capitalized interest) and (b) any Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the outstanding principal amount of such Revolving

Collateral Obligation or Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation (excluding any capitalized interest), plus (except as expressly set forth in this Indenture) any undrawn commitments that have not been irrevocably reduced or withdrawn with respect to such Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation; provided that for all purposes, the Principal Balance of (1) any Equity Security, Specified Equity Security, Loss Mitigation Obligation or interest only strip shall be deemed to be zero and (2) any Defaulted Obligation that is not sold or terminated within three years after the date on which such obligation becomes a Defaulted Obligation (or is designated as a Specified Defaulted Obligation) shall be deemed to be zero.

"Principal Collection Subaccount": The meaning specified in Section 10.2(a).

"Principal Financed Accrued Interest": With respect to (i) any Collateral Obligation owned or purchased by the Issuer on or prior to the Closing Date, an amount equal to the unpaid interest on such Collateral Obligation that accrued prior to the Closing Date that is owing to the Issuer and remains unpaid as of the Closing Date and (ii) any Collateral Obligation purchased after the Closing Date, the amount of Principal Proceeds, if any, applied towards the purchase of accrued interest on such Collateral Obligation.

"Principal Proceeds": With respect to any Collection Period or Determination Date, all amounts received by the Issuer during the related Collection Period that do not constitute Interest Proceeds (other than any Refinancing Proceeds applied in connection with a Partial Redemption or Non-Payment Date Refinancing) and any other amounts that have been designated as Principal Proceeds pursuant to the terms of this Indenture (including, without limitation, any Contributions as Principal Proceeds at the time of Contribution). For the avoidance of doubt, Principal Proceeds shall not include any Excepted Property.

"**Priority Class**": With respect to any specified Class of Notes, each Class of Notes that ranks senior to such Class, as indicated in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Priority Termination Event": The meaning specified in the relevant Hedge Agreement, which may include, without limitation, the occurrence of (i) the Issuer's failure to make required payments or deliveries pursuant to a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Issuer is the sole "Defaulting Party" (as defined in the relevant Hedge Agreement), (ii) the occurrence of certain events of bankruptcy, dissolution or insolvency with respect to the Issuer with respect to which the Issuer is the sole "Defaulting Party" (as defined in the relevant Hedge Agreement), (iii) the liquidation of the Assets due to an Event of Default under this Indenture or (iv) a change in law after the Closing Date which makes it unlawful for either the Issuer or a Hedge Counterparty to perform its obligations under a Hedge Agreement.

"Priority of Payments": The meaning specified in Section 11.1(a).

"Priority of Redemption Proceeds": The meaning specified in <u>Section</u> 11.1(a)(iii).

"**Proceeding**": Any suit in equity, action at law or other judicial or administrative proceeding.

"Prohibited Obligation": Any obligation, the Obligor of which satisfies one or more of the following criteria:

- (i) severely breaches the UN's Global Compact Principles, International Labor Organization's (ILO) Conventions, OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs);
- (a) derives greater than 0% or more of its revenues from the production, use, storage, trade, or the maintenance, transportation and financing of Controversial Weapons or components specifically designed for those types of Controversial Weapons (including antipersonnel landmines, cluster weapons, chemical and biological weapons, depleted uranium, nuclear weapons and white phosphorus), including any products which are prohibited under the Ottawa Convention on anti-personnel landmines, which entered into force on 1 March 1999, the Oslo convention on cluster munitions, which entered into force on 1 August 2010, the convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction (BTWC) that entered into force on 26 March 1975, or the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction (CWC), which entered into force in 1997 or The Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 of 15 October 2018 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons; (b) derives more than 10% of its revenues by supporting or providing assistance, research and technology dedicated only to Controversial Weapons; (c) breaches the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT), rigorously controlled by the United Nations that entered into force on 5 March 1975; or (d) owns 50% or more of a company that holds a Prohibited Obligation;
- (iii) (a) derives 10% or more of its revenues from non-sustainable palm oil production whether directly or indirectly through majority-owned (50%) subsidiaries; (b) owns over 30 hectares of palm oil plantations that do not have the Certified Sustainable Palm Oil (CSPO) label; (c) have unresolved land rights conflicts; (d) is unable to prove the legality of their operations or (e) have not undertaken social and environmental impact assessments in relation with their palm oil production;
- (iv) (a) derives 10% or more of its revenues from thermal coal extraction; (b) is a power generation company that has 25% or more of its electricity generation capacities powered by coal or (c) is a power generation company that plans to expand coal power generation capacity by more than 3,000 megawatts in the next five years;
- (v) is a mining company that derives 10% or more of its revenues from tar sands extraction or is a pipeline company that derives 10% or more of its revenue from tar sands transportation;

- (vi) derives 25% or more of its revenues from speculative transactions of soft commodities (such as wheat, rice, meat, soy, sugar, dairy, fish, and corn); provided that, transactions for companies whose main business is the production/trading of such commodities are not considered speculative;
- (vii) derives 10% or more of its revenues from the production or sale of tobacco and tobacco products such as cigars, cigarettes, e-cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, dissolvable and chewing tobacco whether directly or indirectly through majority-owned (50%) subsidiaries;
- (viii) derives 20% or more of its revenues from coal, or is a mining company that extracts more than 20 million tons of coal per year;
- (ix) derives 25% or more of its revenues from the production, use, storage, trade, or ensuring the maintenance, transport, and financing of any substance mentioned by the European Chemicals Agency within the Prior Informed Consent Regulation or any unregulated hazardous chemicals, non-biological pesticides and hazardous wastes, or ozone-depleting substances as covered by the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer (1989) or any similar international treaties as agreed to from time to time (such as polychlorinated 222 biphenyl, dichlorodiphenyltrichloroethane, chlorofluorocarbons, halons and asbestos), or components specifically designed for those types of products;
- (x) derives greater than 0% or more of its revenues from the trade in any species described as 'endangered' or 'critically endangered' in the most recent publication of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List; or any species subject to protection under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (1973);
- (xi) derives 10% or more of its revenues from activities adversely affecting animal welfare including animal testing for consumer goods, fur trade, exotic wild animal trade, overfishing in breach of regulatory quotas or in restricted areas and use of animals for entertainment;
- (xii) derives more than 10% of its revenues from activities related to pornography and prostitution;
- (xiii) derives 10% or more of its revenues from the production, use, storage, trade, or the maintenance, transportation, and financing of Controversial Weapons;
- (xiv) that has more than 25% of its revenues from short-term unsecured loans that don't meet a legal limit regarding the annual percentage rate (APR) or is primarily payday lending (i.e. the extension of high-cost short-term credit as such term is defined in the FCA Handbook), fraudulent and coercive loan origination, highly speculative

financial operations, and activities facilitating or enabling illegal non-payment or underpayment of taxes;

- (xv) derives 10% or more of its revenues from controversial practices (controversy levels significant, high and severe) in land use and biodiversity, or classified as 'critical' for their impact on forests according to the Carbon Disclosure Project; or
- (xvi) derives 50% or more of its revenues from the operation, management, or provider of services to private prisons.

"Proposed Portfolio": The portfolio of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments resulting from the proposed purchase, sale, maturity or other disposition of a Collateral Obligation or a proposed reinvestment in an additional Collateral Obligation, as the case may be.

"QEF": The meaning specified in Section 7.17(b).

"QIB/QP": Any Person that, at the time of its acquisition, purported acquisition or proposed acquisition of Notes is both (i) a Qualified Institutional Buyer and (ii) a Qualified Purchaser (or a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (other than a trust, except as otherwise agreed to by the Issuer), each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is a Qualified Purchaser).

"Qualified Broker/Dealer": Any of Antares Capital LP; Bank of America/Merrill Lynch; The Bank of Montreal; The Bank of New York Mellon, N.A.; Bank of Tokyo; Barclays Bank plc; BNP Paribas Securities Corp.; Broadpoint Securities; Capital One Securities, Inc.; Citizens Bank NA; Credit Agricole CIB; Citibank, N.A.; Credit Agricole S.A.; Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce; Credit Suisse; Deutsche Bank AG; General Electric Capital; Goldman Sachs & Co.; HSBC Bank; Imperial Capital LLC; ING; J.P. Morgan Securities LLC; Jefferies LLC; Keybank; Lloyds TSB Bank; Macquarie Bank; Mizuho; Morgan Stanley & Co.; Natixis; Nomura Securities International Inc.; PNC Bank; Royal Bank of Canada; The Royal Bank of Scotland plc; Scotia Bank; Societe Generale; Sumitomo; SunTrust Bank; The Toronto-Dominion Bank; UBS AG; and Wells Fargo Bank.

"Qualified Institutional Buyer": The meaning specified in Rule 144A under the Securities Act.

"Qualified Purchaser": The meaning specified in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act and Rule 2a51-1, 2a51-2 or 2a51-3 under the Investment Company Act.

"Ramp-Up Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.3(c).

"Rating Agency": S&P, or, with respect to Assets generally, if at any time S&P ceases to provide rating services with respect to debt obligations, any other nationally recognized investment rating agency selected by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the

Issuer). If the Rating Agency is no longer rating any Class of Secured Notes at the request of the Issuer it shall no longer be a "Rating Agency" under and for all purposes of this Indenture and the other Transaction Documents.

"Rating Confirmation Redemption": As defined in Section 9.7.

"Rating Confirmation Redemption Date": As defined in Section 9.7.

"Record Date": With respect to the Notes, the last Business Day of the calendar month prior to the applicable Payment Date.

"Redemption Amount": The sum of (x) the aggregate Redemption Prices of the Outstanding Secured Notes and (y) all other amounts due and payable pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the related Redemption Date prior to any distributions with respect to the Subordinated Notes.

"Redemption Date": Any Business Day specified for an Optional Redemption of Secured Notes (including from Refinancing Proceeds) or a Tax Redemption pursuant to <u>Section 9.3</u> or a Clean-Up Call Redemption pursuant to <u>Section 9.8</u>, including any Partial Redemption Date and Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date.

"Redemption Price": (a) For each Class of Secured Notes to be redeemed or prepaid, as applicable (x) 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Secured Notes, plus (y) accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including, in the case of a Class C-1 Note, a Class C-F Note, a Class D-1 Note, a Class D-J Note, a Class E-1 Note or a Class E-F Note, interest on any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest) to the Redemption Date; and (b) for each Subordinated Note, its proportional share allocated in accordance with the Priority of Payments (based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Subordinated Notes) of the amount of the proceeds of the Assets remaining after giving effect to the Optional Redemption or Tax Redemption of the Secured Notes in whole or after all of the Secured Notes have been repaid in full and payment in full of (and/or creation of a reserve for) all expenses (including all Portfolio Management Fees and Administrative Expenses) of the Co-Issuers; provided that, in connection with any Tax Redemption or Optional Redemption of the Secured Notes in whole, Holders of 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of any Class of Secured Notes may elect to receive less than 100% of the Redemption Price that would otherwise be payable to the Holders of such Class of Secured Notes, in which case such reduced price shall be the "Redemption Price" for such Notes.

"Reference Time": With respect to any determination of the Benchmark, (1) if the Benchmark is the Term SOFR Rate, 5:00 a.m. (Chicago time) on the Interest Determination Date, and (2) if the Benchmark is not the Term SOFR Rate, the time determined by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with the Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes

"Refinancing": A loan or an issuance of replacement securities, whose terms in each case shall be negotiated by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, from one or more

financial institutions or purchasers to refinance the Notes, in whole or in part, in connection with an Optional Redemption.

"Refinancing Proceeds": The Cash proceeds from a Refinancing.

"Regional Diversity Measure": As of any date of determination, the number obtained by dividing (a) 1 by (b) the sum of the squares of the quotients, for each S&P region classification (see "Guidance Criteria Structured Finance CDOs: Global Methodology And Assumptions For CLOs And Corporate CDOs," published June 21, 2019, or such other published table by S&P that the Portfolio Manager provides to the Collateral Administrator), obtained by dividing (i) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations) issued by Obligors that belong to such S&P region classification by (ii) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations).

"Register" and "Registrar": The respective meanings specified in <u>Section 2.5(a)</u>.

"Registered": In registered form for U.S. federal income tax purposes and issued after July 18, 1984.

"Registered Investment Adviser": A Person duly registered as an investment adviser in accordance with and pursuant to Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act, and any wholly owned subsidiary thereof.

"Regulation S": Regulation S, as amended, under the Securities Act.

"Regulation S Global Notes": The Regulation S Global Secured Notes and the Regulation S Global Subordinated Notes.

"Regulation S Global Secured Note": Any Secured Notes sold to non U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S issued in the form of one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

"Regulation S Global Subordinated Notes": Any Subordinated Notes sold to non U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S issued in the form of one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

"Reinvestment Contribution": The meaning specified in Section 14.19(a).

"Reinvestment Period": The period from and including the Closing Date to and including the earliest of (i) the Payment Date in April 2028, (ii) the date of the acceleration of the maturity of any Class of Secured Notes pursuant to Section 5.2 and (iii) the date specified by the Portfolio Manager in a notice to the Issuer, the Rating Agency, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator certifying that it has reasonably determined it can no longer reinvest in additional Collateral Obligations in accordance with this Indenture or the Portfolio Management Agreement; provided that in the case of clause (iii), the Portfolio Manager notifies the Issuer, the Trustee (who shall notify the Holders of Notes) and the Collateral Administrator thereof in

writing at least one Business Day prior to such date. Once terminated, the Reinvestment Period may (1) in the case of termination under clause (ii), be reinstated at the direction of the Portfolio Manager if (x) the acceleration has been rescinded and (y) no other events that would terminate the Reinvestment Period have occurred and are continuing and (2) in the case of termination under clause (iii), be reinstated at the direction of the Portfolio Manager (and notification of such reinstatement will be provided to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Rating Agency) if no other events that would terminate the Reinvestment Period have occurred and are continuing.

"Reinvestment Target Par Balance": As of any date of determination, the Target Portfolio Par *minus* (i) the amount of any reduction in the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes *plus* (ii) the aggregate Principal Proceeds that result from the issuance of such additional Notes.

"Relevant Governmental Body": The Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, or a committee officially endorsed or convened by the Federal Reserve Board and/or the Federal Reserve Bank of New York or any successor thereto.

"Relevant Recipient": Any person that (a) is a Holder, a potential investor in the Notes, or a competent authority (as determined under the EU Securitization Regulation), and (b) has provided any certification required pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement for purposes of obtaining access to any reports, documents or information made available in connection with the EU Transparency Requirements.

"Reporting Agent": FinDox Inc., or any other entity, other than the Collateral Administrator, that shall be appointed by the Issuer to prepare (or assist in the preparation of) and/or make available certain reports and information prescribed by the EU Transparency Requirements.

"Re-priceable Class": The Classes of Secured Notes indicated as re-priceable specified in Section 2.3

"Re-Priced Class": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(a).

"Re-Pricing": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(a).

"Re-Pricing Date": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(b).

"Re-Pricing Intermediary": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(a).

"Re-Pricing Rate": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(b)(i).

"Re-Pricing Sale Price": The meaning specified in Section 9.9(b)(iii).

"Required Hedge Counterparty Rating": With respect to any Hedge Counterparty (or its guarantor under a guarantee satisfying the then-current Rating Agency criteria with respect to guarantees), the ratings required by the criteria of the Rating Agency in

effect at the time of execution of the related Hedge Agreement as determined by the Portfolio Manager (except to the extent that such Rating Agency indicates in writing that any such criteria need not be satisfied with respect to such Hedge Counterparty).

"Required Interest Coverage Ratio": For (a) the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, 120.0%; (b) the Class C Notes, 110.0%; and (c) the Class D Notes, 105.0%.

"Required Overcollateralization Ratio": For (a) the Class A Notes and the Class B Notes, 121.58%; (b) the Class C Notes, 113.95%; (c) the Class D Notes, 106.99%; and (d) the Class E Notes, 103.79%.

"Responsible Officer": Any senior officer of the Portfolio Manager with responsibility for the performance of the Portfolio Manager under the Portfolio Management Agreement.

"Reset Amendment": The meaning specified in <u>Section 8.2</u>.

"Restricted Securities": The Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes.

"Restricted Trading Period": The period during which (i) the S&P Rating of the Class A Notes is withdrawn (and not reinstated) or is one or more sub-categories below its rating on the Closing Date; and (ii) after giving effect to any sale (and any related reinvestment) or purchase of the relevant Collateral Obligations, one or more of the Coverage Tests shall not be satisfied; *provided* that in each case such period shall not be a Restricted Trading Period (a) upon the direction of the Issuer with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, which consent shall remain in effect until a subsequent direction by a Majority of the Controlling Class to declare the beginning of a Restricted Trading Period (for the avoidance of doubt, so long as the relevant conditions in clause (i) and clause (ii) remains in effect) or (b) if any such downgrade or withdrawal is due to a regulatory change or a change in rating agency criteria; *provided*, *further*, that no Restricted Trading Period shall restrict any sale or purchase of a Collateral Obligation entered into by the Issuer at a time when a Restricted Trading Period is not in effect, regardless of whether such sale or purchase has settled.

"Restricted Transaction": (i) The purchase of any Collateral Obligation (A) with respect to which the Portfolio Manager and/or an Affiliate acted as an underwriter, originator, structurer or placement agent or (B) from the related issuer of which the Portfolio Manager or Affiliate, as applicable, received any compensation in consideration of such actions or services described in clause (A) or (ii) the purchase or sale of any Collateral Obligation in a transaction that requires notice to the Issuer and the consent of the Issuer pursuant to Section 206(3) of the Investment Advisers Act.

"Retention Basis Amount": In connection with an Additional Retention Holder Issuance, the amount of additional Notes of a Class that would be required to be issued for the Retention Holder to hold at least 5% of the aggregate principal amount of all Notes of such Class.

"Retention Holder": Apex Credit Partners LLC, as retention holder under the Retention Undertaking Letter and US Retention Agreement.

"Retention Undertaking Letter": A letter agreement dated as of the Closing Date, by Apex Credit Partners LLC, in favor of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser.

"Revolver Funding Account": The account established pursuant to Section 10.4.

"Revolving Collateral Obligation": Any Collateral Obligation (other than a Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation) that is a loan (including, without limitation, revolving loans, including funded and unfunded portions of revolving credit lines, unfunded commitments under specific facilities and other similar loans and investments) that by its terms may require one or more future advances to be made to the borrower by the Issuer; *provided* that any such Collateral Obligation shall be a Revolving Collateral Obligation only until all commitments to make advances to the borrower expire or are terminated or irrevocably reduced to zero.

"Rolled Senior Uptier Debt": The meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Uptier Priming Transaction".

"Rule 144A": Rule 144A, as amended, under the Securities Act.

"Rule 144A Global Notes": The Rule 144A Global Secured Notes and the Rule 144A Global Subordinated Notes.

"Rule 144A Global Secured Note": Any Secured Note sold to a Person that, at the time of the acquisition, purported acquisition or proposed acquisition of any such Note, is both a QIB and a Qualified Purchaser, issued in the form of one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

"Rule 144A Global Subordinated Notes": Any Subordinated Notes sold to a Person that, at the time of the acquisition, purported acquisition or proposed acquisition of any such Note, is both a QIB and a Qualified Purchaser, issued in the form of one or more permanent global notes in definitive, fully registered form without interest coupons.

"Rule 144A Information": The meaning specified in Section 7.15.

"Rule 17g-5": The meaning specified in Section 7.20(a).

"SIFMA Website": The internet website of the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association, currently located at https://www.sifma.org/resources/general/holiday-schedule, or such successor website as identified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee and Calculation Agent.

"S&P": S&P Global Ratings, an S&P Global business, and any successor or successors thereto.

"S&P CDO Monitor": The computer model developed by S&P and currently available at platform.ratings360.spglobal.com, as may be amended by S&P from time to time. The inputs to the S&P CDO Monitor will be chosen by the Portfolio Manager (with notice to the Collateral Administrator) in accordance with this Indenture and include an S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input and an S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input.

"S&P CDO Monitor Election Date": The effective date for the Portfolio Manager's election to utilize the model-based S&P CDO Monitor (notice of which will be provided to the Collateral Administrator).

"S&P CDO Monitor Test": A test that will be satisfied on any date of determination on or after the Effective Date during the Reinvestment Period if, after giving effect to the sale of a Collateral Obligation or the purchase of a Collateral Obligation, the Class Default Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is positive. The S&P CDO Monitor Test will be considered to be improved if the Class Default Differential of the Proposed Portfolio is greater than the corresponding Class Default Differential of the Current Portfolio.

The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion, at any time after the Closing Date, upon at least five (5) Business Days' prior written notice to S&P, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, elect to utilize the model-based S&P CDO Monitor in determining compliance with the S&P CDO Monitor Test. The Portfolio Manager may only elect to utilize the model-based S&P CDO Monitor once. If an S&P CDO Monitor Election Date has not occurred with respect to the Effective Date, for purposes of calculating the S&P CDO Monitor Test in connection with the Effective Date, the S&P Effective Date Adjustments will be applied.

"S&P Collateral Principal Amount": As of any date of determination, (i) the Collateral Principal Amount (excluding Defaulted Obligations) *plus* (ii) the S&P Collateral Value of all Defaulted Obligations.

"S&P Collateral Value": With respect to any Defaulted Obligation or Deferring Security, the lesser of (i) the S&P Recovery Amount of such Defaulted Obligation or Deferring Security, respectively, as of such date and (ii) the Market Value of such Defaulted Obligation or Deferring Security, respectively, as of such date.

"S&P Effective Date Adjustments": In connection with determining whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test is satisfied in connection with the Effective Date if an S&P CDO Monitor Election Date has not occurred, the following adjustment will apply: (i) in calculating the Weighted Average Floating Spread, the Aggregate Funded Spread will be calculated without regard to the proviso in clauses (a) and (b) of the definition thereof and (ii) in calculating the Adjusted Class Break-Even Default Rate, amounts on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount and the Ramp-Up Account representing amounts which may be designated as Designated Principal Proceeds pursuant to Section 10.2(a) and/or Section 10.3(c), as the case may be, shall be excluded.

"S&P Excel Default Model Input File": An electronic spreadsheet file in Microsoft Excel format to be provided to S&P by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf

of the Issuer that provides all of the inputs required to determine whether the S&P CDO Monitor Test has been satisfied and shall include, at a minimum, the following data with respect to each Collateral Obligation: CUSIP number (if any), name of Obligor, coupon, spread (if applicable), legal final maturity date, average life, principal balance, identification as a Cov-Lite Loan or otherwise, the settlement date and purchase price (including with respect to assets the Issuer has committed to purchase but have not yet settled), S&P Industry Classification, S&P Recovery Rate, and LoanX ID.

"S&P Industry Classification": The S&P Industry Classifications set forth in <u>Schedule 3</u> hereto, and such industry classifications shall be updated at the option of the Portfolio Manager if S&P publishes revised industry classifications.

"S&P Rating": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

- (i) (a) if there is an issuer credit rating of the issuer of such Collateral Obligation by S&P as published by S&P, or the guarantor which unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees such Collateral Obligation pursuant to a form of guaranty that complies with the then-current S&P criteria, then the S&P Rating shall be such rating (regardless of whether there is a published rating by S&P on the Collateral Obligations of such issuer held by the Issuer, provided that private ratings (that is, ratings provided at the request of the obligor) may be used for purposes of this definition if the related obligor has consented to the disclosure thereof, such consent to be evidenced by providing a copy of such private rating letter or private rating rationale to S&P) or (b) if there is no issuer credit rating of the issuer by S&P but (1) there is a senior secured rating on any obligation or security of the issuer, then the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation shall be one sub-category below such rating; (2) if clause (1) above does not apply, but there is a senior unsecured rating on any obligation or security of the issuer, the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation shall equal such rating; and (3) if neither clause (1) nor clause (2) above applies, but there is a subordinated rating on any obligation or security of the issuer, then the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation shall be one sub-category above such rating;
- (ii) with respect to any Collateral Obligation that is a DIP Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating thereof shall be the credit rating assigned to such issue by S&P (or with respect to a DIP Collateral Obligation that was assigned a point-in-time credit rating by S&P within the last 12 months from the date of determination, which point-in-time credit rating was subsequently withdrawn, then the S&P Rating shall be such point-in-time credit rating); provided that (a) the Portfolio Manager shall promptly provide to S&P new information that it receives with respect to such DIP Collateral Obligation whose issue rating from S&P was withdrawn relating to amortization modifications, extensions of maturity, reductions of its principal amount owed, or nonpayment of timely interest or principal due and (b) the Portfolio Manager shall promptly provide to S&P information in its possession relating to such DIP Collateral Obligation whose issue rating from S&P was withdrawn that in its reasonable business judgment, may have a material adverse impact on the credit quality of such DIP

Collateral Obligation, and S&P shall have the right to notify the Issuer to limit its use of such withdrawn issue rating from S&P based on information that it receives from the Portfolio Manager pursuant to the foregoing sub-clauses (a) or (b);

- (iii) if there is not a rating by S&P on the issuer or on an obligation of the issuer, then the S&P Rating may be determined pursuant to <u>clauses</u> (a) through (c) below:
 - (a) if an obligation of the issuer is not a DIP Collateral Obligation and is publicly rated by Moody's, then the S&P Rating shall be determined in accordance with the methodologies for establishing the Moody's Rating set forth herein except that the S&P Rating of such obligation shall be (1) one sub-category below the S&P equivalent of the Moody's Rating if such Moody's Rating is "Baa3" or higher and (2) two sub-categories below the S&P equivalent of the Moody's Rating if such Moody's Rating is "Ba1" or lower;
 - the S&P Rating may be based on a credit estimate provided by (b) S&P, and in connection therewith, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer or the issuer of such Collateral Obligation shall, within 30 days after the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation, apply (and concurrently submit all Information in respect of such application) to S&P for a credit estimate which shall be its S&P Rating; provided that, if such Information is submitted within such 30-day period, then, pending receipt from S&P of such estimate, such Collateral Obligation shall have an S&P Rating as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator that it believes that such S&P Rating determined by the Portfolio Manager is commercially reasonable and shall be at least equal to such rating; provided, further, that (x) if such Information is not submitted within such 30-day period and (y) following the end of the 90-day period after the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation by the Issuer, pending receipt from S&P of such estimate, the Collateral Obligation shall have an S&P Rating of "CCC-," unless during such 90-day period, the Portfolio Manager has requested the extension of such period and S&P, in its sole discretion, has granted such request; provided, further, that if the Collateral Obligation has had a public rating by S&P that S&P has withdrawn or suspended within six months prior to the date of such application for a credit estimate in respect of such Collateral Obligation, the S&P Rating in respect thereof shall be "CCC-" pending receipt from S&P of such estimate, and S&P may elect not to provide such estimate until a period of six months have elapsed after the withdrawal or suspension of the public rating; provided further that the S&P Rating may not be determined pursuant to this clause (b) if the Collateral Obligation is a DIP Collateral Obligation; provided further that such credit estimate shall expire 12 months after the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation, following which such Collateral Obligation shall have an S&P Rating of "CCC-" unless, during such 12-month period, the Issuer applies for renewal thereof in accordance with Section 7.14(b), in which case such credit estimate shall continue to be the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation until S&P has confirmed or revised such credit estimate, upon which such confirmed or

revised credit estimate shall be the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation; provided further that such confirmed or revised credit estimate shall expire on the next succeeding 12-month anniversary of the date of the acquisition of such Collateral Obligation and (when renewed annually in accordance with Section 7.14(b)) on each 12-month anniversary thereafter;

- with respect to a Collateral Obligation that is not a Defaulted Obligation, the S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation shall at the election of the Issuer (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager) be "CCC-"; provided that (i) neither the issuer of such Collateral Obligation nor any of its Affiliates are subject to any bankruptcy or reorganization Proceedings; (ii) to the knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, the issuer has not defaulted on any payment obligation in respect of any debt security or other obligation of the issuer at any time within the two year period ending on such date of determination, all such debt securities and other obligations of the issuer that are *pari passu* with or senior to the Collateral Obligation are current and the Portfolio Manager reasonably expects them to remain current; and (iii) the Collateral Obligation is current and the Portfolio Manager reasonably expects it to remain current; provided, further, that if Collateral Obligations representing greater than 10% of the Collateral Principal Amount have an S&P Rating determined pursuant to this clause (c), the Portfolio Manager shall apply (and concurrently submit all Information then available to the Portfolio Manager in respect of such application) to S&P for a credit estimate with respect to the portion of such Collateral Obligations representing the excess over 10% of the Collateral Principal Amount;
- (iv) with respect to a DIP Collateral Obligation as to which no S&P Rating is determined pursuant to clause (ii) above, the S&P Rating of such DIP Collateral Obligation will be, at the election of the Issuer (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager), (x) "CCC-" or (y) if the Portfolio Manager reasonably expects such Collateral Obligation to be assigned an issue rating by S&P within 60 days of the date of acquisition, the S&P Rating assigned by the Portfolio Manager in its commercially reasonable discretion until the earlier to occur of (1) such time as such Collateral Obligation has an assigned issue rating, at which time such assigned issue rating shall apply and (2) the 60th day after its acquisition by the Issuer, at which time such Collateral Obligation will be deemed to have an S&P Rating of "CCC-" until it has an assigned issue rating; or
- (v) with respect to a Current Pay Obligation that cannot be determined pursuant to the other clauses of this definition, the S&P Rating of such Current Pay Obligation will be, at the election of the Issuer (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager), (x) "CCC" or (y) the credit rating assigned to such issue by S&P;

provided, that for purposes of the determination of the S&P Rating, (x) if the applicable rating assigned by S&P to an obligor or its obligations is on "credit watch positive" by S&P, such rating will be treated as being one sub-category above such assigned rating and (y) if the applicable rating assigned by S&P to an obligor or its obligations is on

"credit watch negative" by S&P, such rating will be treated as being one sub-category below such assigned rating.

"S&P Ramp-Up Failure": The meaning specified in Section 7.18(d).

"S&P Rating Condition": Confirmation in writing (which may be in the form of a press release) from S&P that (a) the Initial Ratings assigned by S&P to the Secured Notes have been confirmed in connection with the Effective Date or (b) other than in connection with the Effective Date, a proposed action or designation will not cause the then current ratings assigned by S&P of any Class of Secured Notes to be reduced or withdrawn. If S&P (i) makes a public announcement or informs the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the Trustee that (x) it will not review such action for the purposes of determining whether the then current ratings of the applicable Class of Notes will be reduced or withdrawn or (y) its practice is to not give such confirmations with respect to the proposed action, or (ii) no longer constitutes a Rating Agency under this Indenture, the requirement for satisfaction of the S&P Rating Condition with respect to S&P will not apply. The S&P Rating Condition will not apply to any supplemental indenture requiring the consent of all Holders of Notes if such Holders have been advised prior to consenting to such amendment that the current ratings of the Secured Notes may be reduced or withdrawn as a result of such amendment.

"**S&P Rating Factor**": For each Collateral Obligation, the number set forth to the right of the applicable S&P Rating of such Collateral Obligation:

S&P Rating	S&P Rating Factor
AAA	13.51
AA+	26.75
AA	46.36
AA-	63.90
A+	99.50
Α	146.35
A-	199.83
BBB+	271.01
BBB	361.17
BBB-	540.42
BB+	784.92
ВВ	1233.63
BB-	1565.44
B+	1982.00
В	2859.50
B-	3610.11
CCC+	4641.40
CCC	5293.00
CCC-	5751.10

S&P Rating	S&P Rating Factor
CC	10,000.00
SD	10,000.00
D	10,000.00

"S&P Recovery Amount": With respect to any Collateral Obligation, an amount equal to: (a) the applicable S&P Recovery Rate *multiplied by* (b) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation.

"S&P Recovery Rate": With respect to a Collateral Obligation, the recovery rate set forth in <u>Section 1</u> of <u>Schedule 6</u> using the Initial Rating of the Highest Priority Class at the time of determination.

"S&P Recovery Rating": With respect to a Collateral Obligation for which an S&P Recovery Rate is being determined, the corporate recovery rating assigned by S&P to such Collateral Obligation.

"S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input": (a) any spread between 2.00% and 6.00% (in increments of 0.01%) selected by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture or (b) such other spread approved in writing by S&P.

"S&P Weighted Average Life": As of any date of determination with respect to all Collateral Obligations other than Defaulted Obligations, the number of years following such date obtained by *dividing* (a) the sum of the products of (i) the number of years (*rounded* to the nearest one-hundredth thereof) from such date of determination to the stated maturity of each such Collateral Obligation *multiplied by* (ii) the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation *by* (b) the remaining Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations).

"**S&P Weighted Average Rating Factor**": The quotient equal to 'A *divided by* B', where:

- A = the sum of the products, for all Collateral Obligations (excluding Defaulted Obligations) of (i) the Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligation and (ii) the S&P Rating Factor of the Collateral Obligation; and
- B = the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding Defaulted Obligations).

"S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input": (a) Any percentage between 25% and 65% (in increments of 0.05%) selected by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture or (b) such other recovery rate approved in writing by S&P.

"Sale": The meaning specified in Section 5.17.

"Sale Proceeds": All proceeds (excluding accrued interest, if any) received with respect to Assets as a result of sales of such Assets in accordance with Article XII and the termination of any Hedge Agreement, in each case, net of any reasonable expenses incurred by the Portfolio Manager and net of any amounts due and payable by the Issuer to the related Hedge Counterparty in connection with such termination, the Collateral Administrator or the Trustee (other than amounts payable as Administrative Expenses) in connection with such sales. Sale Proceeds shall include Principal Financed Accrued Interest received in respect of such sale.

"Scheduled Distribution": With respect to any Asset, for each Due Date, the scheduled payment of principal and/or interest due on such Due Date with respect to such Asset, determined in accordance with the assumptions specified in <u>Section 1.3</u> hereof.

"Second Lien Loan": Any assignment of or Participation Interest in or other interest in a First-Lien Last-Out Loan or a loan that (i) is not (and that by its terms is not permitted to become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the loan other than a Senior Secured Loan with respect to the liquidation of such obligor or the collateral for such loan and (ii) is secured by a valid second priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the loan (subject to customary exceptions for permitted liens, including without limitation, tax liens), the value of which is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other loans of equal or higher seniority secured by a lien or security interest in the same collateral, which security interest or lien is not subordinate to the security interest or lien securing any other debt for borrowed money other than a Senior Secured Loan on such specified collateral.

"Secured Noteholders": The Holders of the Secured Notes.

"Secured Notes Payment Sequence": The application, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as applicable, in the following order:

- (i) to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, until the Class A-1 Notes have been paid in full;
- (ii) to the payment of principal of the Class A-J Notes, until the Class A-J Notes have been paid in full;
- (iii) to the payment of, *pro rata* and *pari passu*, (x) principal of the Class B-1 Notes and (y) principal of the Class B-F Notes, until the Class B-1 Notes and the Class B-F Notes have been paid in full;
- (iv) to the payment of, *pro rata* and *pari passu* (1) *first*, any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on (x) the Class C-1 Notes, and (y) the Class C-F Notes, and (2) *second*, any Deferred

Interest on (x) the Class C-1 Notes, and (y) the Class C-F Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;

- (v) to the payment of, *pro rata* and *pari passu*, (x) principal of the Class C-1 Notes and (y) principal of the Class C-F Notes, until the Class C Notes have been paid in full;
- (vi) (1) *first*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class D-1 Notes, and (2) *second*, to the payment of any Deferred Interest on the Class D-1 Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;
- (vii) to the payment of principal of the Class D-1 Notes, until the Class D-1 Notes have been paid in full;
- (viii) (1) *first*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class D-J Notes, and (2) *second*, to the payment of any Deferred Interest on the Class D-J Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;
- (ix) to the payment of principal of the Class D-J Notes until the Class D-J Notes have been paid in full;
- (x) to the payment of, pro rata and pari passu (1) first, any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on (x) the Class E-1 Notes, and (y) the Class E-F Notes, and (2) second, any Deferred Interest on (x) the Class E-1 Notes, and (y) the Class E-F Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full; and
- (xi) to the payment of, *pro rata* and *pari passu*, (x) principal of the Class E-1 Notes and (y) principal of the Class E-F Notes, until the Class E Notes have been paid in full.

"Secured Notes": The Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes.

"Secured Obligations": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

"Secured Parties": The meaning specified in the Granting Clauses.

"Securities Act": The United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

"Securities Intermediary": As defined in Section 8-102(a)(14) of the UCC.

"Securitization Regulations": Each of the EU Securitization Regulation and the UK Securitization Regulation.

"Security Entitlement": The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(17) of the UCC.

"Selling Institution": The entity obligated to make payments to the Issuer under the terms of a Participation Interest.

"Senior Secured Loan": Any assignment of or Participation Interest in a Loan that: (a) is not (and cannot by its terms become) subordinate in right of payment to any other obligation of the obligor of the Loan; (b) is secured by a valid first-priority perfected security interest or lien in, to or on specified collateral securing the obligor's obligations under the Loan (subject to customary exceptions for permitted liens, including without limitation, tax liens) and (c) the value of the collateral securing the Loan at the time of purchase together with other attributes of the obligor (including, without limitation, its general financial condition, ability to generate cash flow available for debt service and other demands for that cash flow) is adequate (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager) to repay the Loan in accordance with its terms and to repay all other Loans of equal seniority secured by a first lien or security interest in the same collateral.

"Share Transfer": The transfer of the shares of the Warehousing SPE to the Issuer by The Bank of Nova Scotia (in its capacity as sole member of the Warehousing SPE) contemplated by the Share Transfer Agreement.

"Share Transfer Agreement": The share transfer agreement, dated as of the Closing Date, between the Issuer and The Bank of Nova Scotia.

"Similar Law": Any federal, state, local, non-U.S. or other law or regulation that could cause the underlying assets of the Issuer to be treated as assets of the investor in any Note (or any interest therein) by virtue of its interest and thereby subject the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (or other persons responsible for the investment and operation of the Issuer's assets) to Other Plan Law.

"Small Obligor Loan": Any obligation made pursuant to Underlying Instruments that govern the issuance of indebtedness having an aggregate principal amount (whether drawn or undrawn) together with all other tranches of indebtedness issued by such obligor that (A) is less than U.S.\$200,000,000 at the time of acquisition by the Issuer or (B) if such obligation is being acquired by the Issuer in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange, either was less than U.S.\$200,000,000 immediately prior to giving effect to such Bankruptcy Exchange or is less than U.S.\$200,000,000 at the time of acquisition by the Issuer.

"SOFR": With respect to any day, the secured overnight financing rate published for such day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as the administrator of the benchmark, (or a successor administrator) on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Website (or a successor location).

"Specified Defaulted Obligation": Any Loss Mitigation Obligation designated as a "Defaulted Obligation" by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to clause (a) of the definition of

"Loss Mitigation Obligation". For the avoidance of doubt, Specified Defaulted Obligations shall constitute Defaulted Obligations (and not Loss Mitigation Obligations).

"Specified Defaulted Obligation Condition": A condition satisfied with respect to any Loss Mitigation Obligation if, on any day of determination, (a) such Loss Mitigation Obligation satisfies all of the criteria set forth in the definition of "Collateral Obligation" (other than clauses (ii), (xviii), (xxvii), (xxvii), (xxix) and (xxx) of the definition thereof), (b) ranks in right of payment no more junior than the related Defaulted Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation and (c) is issued by the same (or an affiliated or related) obligor as the Obligor on the related Defaulted Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

"Specified Equity Security": Any security or interest (excluding any Loss Mitigation Obligation and Margin Stock) that is (a) purchased by the Issuer in connection with the workout, restructuring or a related scheme to mitigate losses with respect to a related Defaulted Obligation or a related Credit Risk Obligation, as applicable, which security or interest, in the Portfolio Manager's judgment exercised in accordance with the Portfolio Management Agreement, is necessary to collect an increased recovery value of the related Defaulted Obligation or the related Credit Risk Obligation, as applicable or (b) offered, or resulting from the exercise of an option, warrant, right of conversion, pre-emptive right, the right to participate in a rights offering, credit bid or similar right, received by the Issuer in connection with the workout or restructuring of a Defaulted Obligation or a Credit Risk Obligation or in connection with an Equity Security or interest received in connection with such workout or restructuring of such Defaulted Obligation or Credit Risk Obligation.

"Specified Event": With respect to any Collateral Obligation that is the subject of a rating estimate, private rating or confidential rating by S&P at the request of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf, the occurrence of any of the following events of which the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager has knowledge: (a) the non-payment of interest or principal due and payable with respect to such Collateral Obligation; (b) the rescheduling of any interest or principal in any part of the capital structure of the related Obligor; (c) any restructuring (or proposed restructuring) of any debt of the related Obligor; (d) any significant sales or acquisitions of assets by the Obligor as reasonably determined by the Portfolio Manager; (e) the breach of any covenant of such Collateral Obligation or the reasonable determination by the Portfolio Manager that there is a greater than 50% chance that a covenant would be breached in the next six months; (f) the operating profit or cash flows of the Obligor being more than 20.0% lower than the Obligor's expected results; (g) the reduction or increase in the Cash interest rate payable by the Obligor thereunder (excluding any increase in an interest rate arising by operation of a default or penalty interest clause under a Collateral Obligation); (h) the extension of the stated maturity date of such Collateral Obligation; or (i) the addition of payment-in-kind terms.

"Specified Unsold Obligation": As defined in Section 12.2(c).

"Special Redemption": As defined in Section 9.6.

"Special Redemption Amount": As defined in Section 9.6.

"Special Redemption Date": As defined in <u>Section 9.6</u>.

"Standby Directed Investment": Shall mean, initially, "JPMorgan US Dollar Liquidity Fund (U38) Premier Shares" overnight investment (which investment is, for the avoidance of doubt, an Eligible Investment); provided, that the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, may by written notice to the Trustee change the Standby Directed Investment to any other Eligible Investment of the type described in clause (y)(ii) of the definition of "Eligible Investments" maturing not later than the earlier of (i) 30 days after the date of such investment (unless putable at par to the issuer thereof) or (ii) the Business Day immediately preceding the next Payment Date unless such Eligible Investments are issued by the Trustee in its capacity as a banking institution, in which case such Eligible Investments may mature on such Payment Date.

"Stated Maturity": With respect to the Notes of any Class, the date specified as such in <u>Section 2.3</u>; *provided* that if at any time the Stated Maturity of any Class of Notes, but not all of the Notes, is extended, for purposes of the definitions of Collateral Obligations and Long-Dated Obligations, the Stated Maturity shall be deemed to be the shortest Stated Maturity of any Class of Notes Outstanding.

"Step-Down Obligation": An obligation or security which by the terms of the related Underlying Instruments provides for a decrease in the *per annum* interest rate on such obligation or security (other than by reason of any change in the applicable index or benchmark rate used to determine such interest rate) or in the spread over the applicable index or benchmark rate, solely as a function of the passage of time; *provided*, that an obligation or security providing for payment of a constant rate of interest, or a constant spread over the applicable index or benchmark rate, at all times after the date of acquisition by the Issuer shall not constitute a Step-Down Obligation.

"Step-Up Obligation": An obligation or security which by the terms of the related Underlying Instruments provides for an increase in the *per annum* interest rate on such obligation or security (other than by reason of any change in the applicable index or benchmark rate used to determine such interest rate), or in the spread over the applicable index or benchmark rate, solely as a function of the passage of time; *provided*, that an obligation or security providing for payment of a constant rate of interest, or a constant spread over the applicable index or benchmark rate, at all times after the date of acquisition by the Issuer shall not constitute a Step-Up Obligation.

"Structured Finance Obligation": Any obligation issued by a special purpose vehicle and secured directly by, referenced to, or representing ownership of, a pool of receivables or other financial assets of any obligor, including collateralized debt obligations and mortgage-backed securities (excluding, for avoidance of doubt, an asset based loan secured by accounts receivables of an operating business).

"Subordinated Management Fee": The fee, accruing quarterly in arrears, payable to the Portfolio Manager on each Payment Date (accruing during the related Interest Accrual Period and, as applicable, prorated for the related Interest Accrual Period) in accordance

with <u>Section 11.1</u> of this Indenture, in an amount equal to 0.25% *per annum* (calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months) of the Fee Basis Amount at the beginning of the Collection Period relating to such Payment Date.

"Subordinated Notes": The Subordinated Notes issued pursuant to this Indenture and having the characteristics specified in <u>Section 2.3</u>.

"Subsequent Delivery Date": The settlement date with respect to the Issuer's acquisition of a Collateral Obligation to be pledged to the Trustee after the Closing Date.

"Successor Entity": The meaning specified in Section 7.10(a).

"Supermajority": With respect to any Class of Notes, the Holders of at least $66^2/_3\%$ of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of such Class.

"Superpriority New Money Debt": The meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Uptier Priming Transaction".

"Surrendered Notes": Any Notes surrendered to the Issuer or Trustee pursuant to the first sentence of <u>Section 2.9</u>.

"Synthetic Security": A security or swap transaction, other than a Participation Interest, that has payments associated with either payments of interest on and/or principal of a reference obligation or the credit performance of a reference obligation.

"Target Portfolio Par": U.S.\$325,000,000.

"Target Portfolio Par Condition": A condition satisfied as of the Effective Date (and thereafter, as of any Business Day between the Effective Date and the second Determination Date), if the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations (without duplication) that are (i) held by the Issuer and (ii) of which the Issuer has committed to purchase on such date, together with the amount of any proceeds of prepayments, maturities, sales or redemptions of Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer prior to such date (other than any such proceeds that have been reinvested in Collateral Obligations by the Issuer as of the Effective Date), shall equal or exceed the Target Portfolio Par; provided that for purposes of this definition, any Collateral Obligation that becomes a Defaulted Obligation prior to the Effective Date shall be treated as having a Principal Balance equal to its S&P Collateral Value.

"Target Return": With respect to any Payment Date (calculated on the Closing Date to and including such Payment Date), the amount that, together with all amounts paid to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes pursuant to the Priority of Payments on or prior to such Payment Date (including by giving effect to payments made on such Payment Date), would cause the Holders of the Subordinated Notes to first achieve an Internal Rate of Return of 12% on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Subordinated Notes issued on the Closing Date.

"Tax": Any tax, levy, impost, duty, charge or assessment of any nature (including interest, penalties and additions thereto) imposed by any governmental taxing authority.

"Tax Event": An event that will occur if (i) any obligor is, or on the next scheduled payment date under any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment, will be, required to deduct or withhold from any payment to the Issuer for or on account of any tax for whatever reason and such obligor is not required to pay to the Issuer such additional amount as is necessary to ensure that the net amount actually received by the Issuer (after payment of all taxes, whether assessed against such obligor or the Issuer) equals the full amount that the Issuer would have received had no such taxes been imposed, (ii) any jurisdiction imposes or will impose tax on the net income or profits of the Issuer or (iii) a Hedge Counterparty is or will be required to deduct or withhold from any payment under a Hedge Agreement for or on account of any tax for whatever reason and such Hedge Counterparty is not required to pay to the Issuer such additional amount as is necessary to ensure that the net amount actually received by the Issuer (after payment of all taxes, whether assessed against such Hedge Counterparty or the Issuer) will equal the full amount that the Issuer would have received had no such taxes been imposed, and, in any such case, the aggregate amount of all such taxes imposed on payments to the Issuer and not "grossed-up," exceed U.S.\$1,000,000 during the Collection Period in which such event occurs. Withholding taxes imposed under FATCA shall be disregarded in applying the definition of Tax Event, except that a Tax Event will also occur if (i) FATCA Compliance Costs over the remaining period that any Notes would remain Outstanding (disregarding any redemption of Notes arising from a Tax Event under this sentence), as reasonably estimated by the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager acting on behalf of the Issuer) are expected to be incurred in an aggregate amount in excess of U.S.\$250,000, and (ii) any such withholding taxes are imposed (or are reasonably expected by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager acting on behalf of the Issuer to be imposed) in an aggregate amount in excess of U.S.\$500,000. The Trustee will not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any Tax Event unless it receives written notice of the occurrence of a Tax Event from the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer.

"**Tax Guidelines**": The tax restrictions attached as Annex A to the Portfolio Management Agreement.

"Tax Jurisdiction": The Bahamas, the British Virgin Islands, the Channel Islands, the Netherlands Antilles, Singapore, the Jersey Islands, the Marshall Islands, the U.S. Virgin Islands, Bermuda or the Cayman Islands and any other tax advantaged jurisdiction that satisfies the S&P Rating Condition.

"Tax Redemption": The meaning specified in Section 9.3(a).

"Term SOFR Administrator": CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited (CBA) (or a successor administrator of the Term SOFR Reference Rate selected by the Portfolio Manager in its reasonable discretion).

"Term SOFR Rate": For any Interest Accrual Period, the greater of (a) zero and (y) the Term SOFR Reference Rate for the applicable Index Maturity, as such rate is published by the Term SOFR Administrator on the related Interest Determination Date; provided that, if as

of 5:00 p.m. (New York City time) on any Interest Determination Date, the Term SOFR Reference Rate has not been published by the Term SOFR Administrator, then the Term SOFR Rate will be (x) the Term SOFR Reference Rate as published by the Term SOFR Administrator on the first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day for which such Term SOFR Reference Rate for the Index Maturity was published by the Term SOFR Administrator so long as such first preceding U.S. Government Securities Business Day is not more than five (5) Business Days prior to such Interest Determination Date or (y) if the Term SOFR Reference Rate cannot be determined in accordance with clause (x) of this proviso, the Term SOFR Rate shall be the Term SOFR Reference Rate as determined on the previous Interest Determination Date.

"Term SOFR Reference Rate": The forward-looking term rate based on SOFR that has been selected or recommended by the Relevant Governmental Body.

"Third Party Credit Exposure": As of any date of determination, the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation that consists of a Participation Interest.

"Third Party Credit Exposure Limits": Limits that shall be satisfied if the Third Party Credit Exposure with counterparties having the ratings below from S&P do not exceed the percentage of the Collateral Principal Amount specified below:

S&P's long-term credit rating of Selling Institution or LOC Agent Bank	Aggregate Percentage Limit	Individual Percentage Limit
AAA	20%	20%
AA+	10%	10%
AA	10%	10%
AA-	10%	10%
A+	5%	5%
А	5%	5%
A- and below	0%	0%

provided that, a Selling Institution or LOC Agent Bank having an S&P credit rating of "A" must also have a short-term S&P Rating of "A-1" otherwise its Aggregate Percentage Limit and Individual Percentage Limit shall be 0%.

"Trading Plan": The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

"Trading Plan Period": The meaning specified in Section 12.2(b).

"Transaction Documents": This Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Account Control Agreement, the Note Purchase Agreement, the Administration Agreement, the Merger Agreements, the Retention Undertaking Letter and the US Retention Agreement.

"Transaction Parties": The meaning specified in Section 2.5(j)(i).

"**Transfer Agent**": The Person or Persons, which may be the Issuer, authorized by the Issuer to exchange or register the transfer of Notes.

"Transparency Compliance Costs": All costs incurred by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator or the Retention Holder in connection with the EU Transparency Requirements.

"**Transparency Requirements**": Article 7 of the EU Securitization Regulation as in force on the Closing Date.

"Trustee": As defined in the first sentence of this Indenture and any successor thereto.

"Trust Officer": When used with respect to the Bank, any officer within the Corporate Trust Office (or any successor group of the Bank) including any vice president, assistant vice president or officer of the Bank customarily performing functions similar to those performed by the persons who at the time shall be such officers, respectively, or to whom any corporate trust matter is referred at the Corporate Trust Office because of such person's knowledge of and familiarity with the particular subject and, in each case, having direct responsibility for the administration of this transaction.

"UCC": The Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York or, if different, the political subdivision of the United States that governs the perfection of the relevant security interest, in each case, as amended from time to time.

"UK Securitization Regulation": European Union Regulation (EU) 2017/2402 as it forms part of domestic law of the United Kingdom by virtue of the EUWA, together with any supplementing technical standards and any official guidance published in relation thereto.

"Uncertificated Security": The meaning specified in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC.

"Underlying Instrument": The indenture or other agreement pursuant to which an Asset or other obligation has been issued or created and each other agreement that governs the terms of or secures the obligations represented by such Asset or obligation of which the holders of such Asset or obligation are the beneficiaries.

"United States": The United States of America, its territories and possessions.

"Unregistered Securities": The meaning specified in Section 5.17(c).

"Unsaleable Assets": (a) (i) A Defaulted Obligation, (ii) an Equity Security, (iii) a Loss Mitigation Obligation, (iv) a Specified Equity Security or (v) an obligation received in connection with an Offer, in a restructuring or plan of reorganization with respect to the obligor, in each case, in respect of which the Issuer has not received a payment in cash during the

preceding 12 months or (b) any Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment identified in an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager as having a Market Value of less than U.S.\$1,000, in the case of each of (a) and (b) with respect to which the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee that (x) it has made commercially reasonable efforts to dispose of such obligation for at least 90 days and (y) in its commercially reasonable judgment such obligation is not expected to be saleable in the foreseeable future.

"Unsecured Bond": Any unsecured obligation that: (a) constitutes borrowed money and (b) is in the form of, or represented by, a bond, note, certificated debt security or other debt security (other than any of the foregoing that evidences a Loan or Participation Interest).

"Unsecured Loan": An unsecured Loan obligation of any corporation, partnership or trust.

"Unscheduled Principal Payments": Any principal payments received with respect to a Collateral Obligation as a result of optional redemptions, exchange offers, tender offers, consents or other payments or prepayments made at the option of the issuer thereof.

"Uptier Priming Debt": Any Superpriority New Money Debt and any Rolled Senior Uptier Debt acquired by the Issuer resulting from, or received in connection with an Uptier Priming Transaction. For the avoidance of doubt, any Uptier Priming Debt must satisfy the requirements of the definition of one of "Collateral Obligation", "Specified Defaulted Obligation" or "Loss Mitigation Obligation".

"Uptier Priming Transaction": Any transaction effected with respect to a Collateral Obligation held by the Issuer, in which (x) new debt is issued by the obligor or the affiliate of an obligor of such Collateral Obligation which will be senior in priority (either with respect to contractual payment, lien or structure) to such Collateral Obligation ("Superpriority New Money Debt") and (y) some or all of the secured lenders of the Superpriority New Money Debt have the opportunity to exchange their existing secured debt for newly issued debt (without any requirement to pay additional amounts, other than reasonable and customary expenses, e.g., transfer costs) that is either (i) senior in priority (either with respect to contractual payment, lien or structure) to the Collateral Obligation held by the Issuer or (ii) otherwise offered to lenders that participate in such Superpriority New Money Debt on a pro rata basis that is greater than that which is offered to non-participating lenders (if at all) ("Rolled Senior Uptier Debt").

"U.S. Government Securities Business Day": Any day except for (a) a Saturday, (b) a Sunday or (c) a day on which the Securities Industry and Financial Markets Association recommends that the fixed income departments of its members be closed for the entire day for purposes of trading in United States government securities as indicated on the SIFMA Website.

"U.S. person": The meanings specified in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code or in Regulation S, as the context requires.

"US Retained Interest": The meaning specified in the US Retention Agreement.

"US Retention Agreement": An agreement dated as of the Closing Date, between the Retention Holder and the Issuer.

"US Risk Retention Rules": The rules promulgated under Section 15G of the Exchange Act as Regulation RR, 17 C.F.R. Part 246 or any credit risk retention law, rule or regulation in the United States that is applicable to the Portfolio Manager and this transaction (as determined by the Portfolio Manager).

"Volcker Rule": The Volcker Rule, published December 10, 2013, under Section 619 of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, as amended, supplemented and modified by that certain final rule promulgated by Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, the Commodities Futures Trading Commission and the Securities and Exchange Commission on June 25, 2020, which became effective as of October 1, 2020.

"Warehousing SPE": Kyoto Funding Ltd. (formerly known as Kyoto Funding ULC), a British Columbia limited company.

"Weighted Average Coupon": As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by dividing:

- (a) the amount equal to the Aggregate Coupon; by
- (b) an amount equal to the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Fixed Rate Obligations as of such Measurement Date, in each case, excluding, for any Deferring Security, any interest that has been deferred and capitalized thereon.

"Weighted Average Floating Spread": As of any Measurement Date, the number obtained by dividing: (a) the amount equal to (A) the Aggregate Funded Spread *plus* (B) the Aggregate Unfunded Spread *plus* (C) the Aggregate Excess Funded Spread; by (b) an amount equal to the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Floating Rate Obligations as of such Measurement Date, in each case, excluding, for any Deferring Security, any interest that has been deferred and capitalized thereon; *provided* that, for the purposes of the S&P CDO Monitor Test (and all calculations made pursuant thereto or therein) (A) the Aggregate Excess Funded Spread shall not be included in the calculation of the amount described in clause (a), and (B) clause (b) shall in all cases be equal to the Aggregate Principal Balance (including for this purpose any capitalized interest) of all Floating Rate Obligations as of such Measurement Date.

"Weighted Average Life": As of any Measurement Date with respect to all Collateral Obligations other than Defaulted Obligations, the number of years following such date obtained by summing the products obtained by multiplying:

(a) the Average Life at such time of each such Collateral Obligation by the Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation

and dividing such sum by:

(b) the Aggregate Principal Balance at such time of all Collateral Obligations other than Defaulted Obligations.

For the purposes of the foregoing, the "Average Life" is, on any Measurement Date with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the quotient obtained by dividing (i) the sum of the products of (a) the number of years (rounded to the nearest one hundredth thereof) from such Measurement Date to the respective dates of each successive Scheduled Distribution of principal of such Collateral Obligation and (b) the respective amounts of principal of such Scheduled Distributions by (ii) the sum of all successive Scheduled Distributions of principal on such Collateral Obligation.

"Weighted Average Life Test": A test satisfied on any Measurement Date if the Weighted Average Life of all Collateral Obligations other than Defaulted Obligations as of such date is less than or equal to (1) if such Measurement Date occurs prior to the first Payment Date following the Closing Date, 8.10 and (2) otherwise, (A) 8.00 minus (B) the product of (x) 0.25 and (y) the number of Payment Dates that have occurred since the Closing Date.

"Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor": The number (rounded up to the nearest whole number) determined by:

- (a) summing the products of (i) the Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation (excluding Defaulted Obligations) multiplied by (ii) the Moody's Rating Factor of such Collateral Obligation; and
- (b) dividing such sum by the outstanding Principal Balance of all such Collateral Obligations.

"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate": As of any date of determination, the number, expressed as a percentage and determined for the Highest Priority Class, obtained by summing the products obtained by multiplying the outstanding Principal Balance of each Collateral Obligation by its corresponding recovery rate as determined in accordance with Section 1 of Schedule 6 hereto, dividing such sum by the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations, and rounding to the nearest tenth of a percent.

"Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test": The test that will be satisfied on any date of determination if the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate for the Highest Priority Class equals or exceeds the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input for such Class selected by the Portfolio Manager in connection with the S&P CDO Monitor.

"Zero Coupon Bond": Any debt security that by its terms (a) does not bear interest for all or part of the remaining period that it is outstanding, (b) provides for periodic payments of interest in Cash less frequently than semi-annually or (c) pays interest only at its stated maturity.

- Section 1.2 <u>Usage of Terms.</u> (a) With respect to all terms in this Indenture, the singular includes the plural and the plural the singular; words importing any gender include the other genders; references to "writing" include printing, typing, lithography and other means of reproducing words in a visible form; references to agreements and other contractual instruments include all amendments, modifications and supplements thereto or any changes therein entered into in accordance with their respective terms and not prohibited by this Indenture; references to Persons include their permitted successors and assigns. Any reference herein or in another Transaction Document to knowledge of the Portfolio Manager shall mean the actual knowledge of a Responsible Officer of the Portfolio Manager.
- Section 1.3 <u>Assumptions as to Assets</u>. In connection with all calculations required to be made pursuant to this Indenture (unless otherwise specified herein) with respect to Scheduled Distributions on any Asset, or any payments on any other assets included in the Assets, with respect to the sale of and reinvestment in Collateral Obligations, and with respect to the income that can be earned on Scheduled Distributions on such Assets and on any other amounts that may be received for deposit in the Collection Account, the provisions set forth in this <u>Section 1.3</u> shall be applied. The provisions of this <u>Section 1.3</u> shall be applicable to any determination or calculation that is covered by this <u>Section 1.3</u>, whether or not reference is specifically made to this <u>Section 1.3</u>, unless some other method of calculation or determination is expressly specified in the particular provision.
- (a) All calculations with respect to Scheduled Distributions on the Assets securing the Secured Notes shall be made on the basis of information as to the terms of each such Asset and upon reports of payments, if any, received on such Asset that are furnished by or on behalf of the obligor of such Asset and, to the extent they are not manifestly in error, such information or reports may be conclusively relied upon in making such calculations.
- (b) For purposes of calculating the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test, except as otherwise specified in the Coverage Tests or the Interest Diversion Test, as applicable, such calculations shall not include scheduled interest and principal payments on Defaulted Obligations unless or until such payments are actually made. For the avoidance of doubt, the Interest Coverage Test shall be applicable on and after the Determination Date occurring immediately prior to the second Payment Date and the Overcollateralization Ratio Test shall be applicable on and after the Effective Date.
- (c) For each Collection Period and as of any date of determination, the Scheduled Distribution on any Asset (including Current Pay Obligations and DIP Collateral Obligations but excluding Defaulted Obligations and Loss Mitigation Obligations, which, except as otherwise provided herein, shall be assumed to have a Scheduled Distribution of zero, except to the extent any payments have actually been received) shall be the sum of (i) the total amount of payments, collections and proceeds to be received during such Collection Period in respect of such Asset that, if received as scheduled, shall be available in the Collection Account at the end of the Collection Period and (ii) any such amounts received by the Issuer in prior Collection Periods that were not disbursed on a previous Payment Date.

- (d) Each Scheduled Distribution receivable with respect to an Asset shall be assumed to be received on the applicable Due Date, and each such Scheduled Distribution shall be assumed to be immediately deposited in the Collection Account to earn interest at the Assumed Reinvestment Rate. All such funds shall be assumed to continue to earn interest until the date on which they are required to be available in the Collection Account for application, in accordance with the terms hereof, to payments of principal of or interest on the Notes or other amounts payable pursuant to this Indenture. For purposes of the applicable determinations required by Section 10.6(b)(iv), Article XII and the definition of "Interest Coverage Ratio," the expected interest on the Secured Notes and Floating Rate Obligations shall be calculated using the then current interest rates applicable thereto.
- (e) References in <u>Section 11.1(a)</u> to calculations made on a "pro forma basis" shall mean such calculations after giving effect to all payments, in accordance with the Priority of Payments described herein, that precede (in priority of payment) or include the clause in which such calculation is made.
- (f) For purposes of calculating all Concentration Limitations, in both the numerator and the denominator of any component of the Concentration Limitations, Defaulted Obligations shall be treated as having a Principal Balance equal to zero.
- (g) If the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) is notified by the administrative agent or other withholding agent or otherwise for the syndicate of lenders in respect of any Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation (or any other Asset held by the Issuer) that any amounts associated therewith are subject to withholding tax imposed by any jurisdiction, the Portfolio Manager shall so notify the Collateral Administrator and thereafter the applicable Collateral Quality Test, the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test shall be calculated on a net basis after taking into account such withholding, unless the related obligor is required to make "gross-up" payments to the Issuer that cover the full amount of any such withholding tax on an after-tax basis pursuant to the Underlying Instruments with respect thereto.
- (h) Except where expressly referenced herein for inclusion in such calculations, Defaulted Obligations shall not be included in the calculation of the Collateral Quality Test.
- (i) For the purposes of calculating compliance with each of the Concentration Limitations all calculations shall be rounded to the nearest 0.1%. All other calculations, unless otherwise set forth herein or the context otherwise requires, shall be rounded to the nearest ten-thousandth if expressed as a percentage, and to the nearest one-hundredth if expressed otherwise.
- (j) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture to the contrary, all monetary calculations under this Indenture shall be in Dollars.
- (k) Any reference in this Indenture to an amount of the Trustee's or the Collateral Administrator's fees calculated with respect to a period at a *per annum* rate shall be

computed on the basis of a 360-day year and the actual number of days elapsed in such year and shall be based on the Fee Basis Amount as of the first day of the related Interest Accrual Period.

- (l) To the extent of any ambiguity in the interpretation of any definition or term contained in this Indenture or to the extent more than one methodology can be used to make any of the determinations or calculations set forth herein, the Collateral Administrator shall be entitled to request direction from the Portfolio Manager as to the interpretation and/or methodology to be used, and the Collateral Administrator shall follow such direction, and together with the Trustee, shall be entitled to conclusively rely thereon without any responsibility or liability therefor.
- (m) For purposes of calculating compliance with any tests and the making of any determination and the preparation of any reports under this Indenture, the trade date (and not the settlement date) with respect to any acquisition or disposition of a Collateral Obligation or Eligible Investment shall be used to determine whether and when such acquisition or disposition has occurred.
- (n) For all purposes when determining the Concentration Limitations, the Collateral Quality Test, the Coverage Tests and the Interest Diversion Test (but excluding for purposes of the calculation of the Aggregate Funded Spread), the principal balance of a Revolving Collateral Obligation or a Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation shall include all unfunded commitments that have not been irrevocably reduced or withdrawn.
- (o) If a Collateral Obligation included in the Assets would be deemed a Current Pay Obligation but for the applicable percentage limitation in the proviso to <u>clause (x)</u> of the proviso to the definition of "Defaulted Obligation," then the Current Pay Obligations with the lowest Market Value (assuming that such Market Value is expressed as a percentage of the principal balance of such Current Pay Obligation as of the date of determination) shall be deemed Defaulted Obligations. Each such Defaulted Obligation shall be treated as a Defaulted Obligation for all purposes until such time as the Aggregate Principal Balance of Current Pay Obligations would not exceed, on a pro forma basis including such Defaulted Obligation, the applicable percentage of the Collateral Principal Amount.
- (p) For purposes of calculating the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation in sale transactions, sale proceeds will include any Principal Financed Accrued Interest received in respect of such sale.
- (q) The equity interest in any Issuer Subsidiary permitted under this Indenture and each asset of any such Issuer Subsidiary shall be deemed to constitute an Asset and be deemed to be a Collateral Obligation (or, if such asset would constitute an Equity Security or Loss Mitigation Obligation if acquired and held by the Issuer, an Equity Security or Loss Mitigation Obligation, as applicable) for all purposes of this Indenture and each reference to Assets, Collateral Obligations, Loss Mitigation Obligations and Equity Securities herein shall be construed accordingly.

- (r) Any future anticipated tax liabilities of an Issuer Subsidiary related to an Issuer Subsidiary Asset held by such Issuer Subsidiary shall be excluded from the calculation of the Weighted Average Floating Spread (which exclusion, for the avoidance of doubt, may result in such Issuer Subsidiary Asset having a negative interest rate spread for purposes of such calculation), the Weighted Average Coupon and the Interest Coverage Ratio with respect to any specified Class or Classes of Secured Notes.
- (s) Any direction or Issuer Order required hereunder relating to the purchase, acquisition, sale, disposition or other transfer of the Assets may be in the form of a trade ticket, confirmation of trade, instruction to post or to commit to the trade or similar instrument or document or other written instruction (including by email or other electronic communication or file transfer protocol) from the Issuer on which the Trustee may rely.
- (t) All calculations related to Maturity Amendments, the Investment Criteria, Specified Equity Securities and Loss Mitigation Obligations (and definitions related to Maturity Amendments, the Investment Criteria, Specified Equity Securities and Loss Mitigation Obligations), and all other tests that otherwise would be calculated cumulatively will be reset at zero on the date of any Refinancing of all Classes of Secured Notes. For the avoidance of doubt, the Internal Rate of Return will not be reset at zero on the date of any Refinancing.
- (u) For purposes of calculating the Collateral Quality Test, DIP Collateral Obligations will be treated as having an S&P Recovery Rate equal to the S&P Recovery Rate for Senior Secured Loans.

ARTICLE II

THE NOTES

Section 2.1 <u>Forms Generally.</u> The Notes and the Trustee's or Authenticating Agent's certificate of authentication thereon (the "**Certificate of Authentication**") shall be in substantially the forms required by this Article, with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have such letters, numbers or other marks of identification and such legends or endorsements placed thereon, as may be consistent herewith, determined by the Authorized Officers of the Applicable Issuers executing such Notes as evidenced by their execution of such Notes. Any portion of the text of any Note may be set forth on the reverse thereof, with an appropriate reference thereto on the face of the Note. It is the express intent of the parties hereto that the Notes shall be "Securities" as defined under and governed by Article 8 of the UCC.

- Section 2.2 <u>Forms of Notes</u>. (a) The forms of the Notes, including the forms of Certificated Notes and Global Notes shall be as set forth in the applicable part of <u>Exhibit A</u> hereto.
 - (b) Secured Notes and Subordinated Notes.

- (i) Except as set forth in clause (iii) below, each Note sold to a Person that is not a U.S. person in an offshore transaction in reliance on Regulation S shall be issued initially in the form of one permanent Regulation S Global Note per Class and shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, DTC for the respective accounts of Euroclear and Clearstream, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.
- (ii) Except as set forth in clause (iii) below, each Note sold to a Person that is a QIB/QP shall be issued initially in the form of one permanent Rule 144A Global Note per Class and shall be deposited on behalf of the subscribers for such Notes represented thereby with the Trustee as custodian for, and registered in the name of a nominee of, DTC, duly executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated by the Trustee as hereinafter provided.
- (iii) Each Note (1) sold to persons that are not U.S. persons in offshore transactions in reliance on Regulation S or (2) sold to persons that are QIB/QPs that, in either case, elect at the time of the acquisition, purported acquisition or proposed acquisition to have their Notes issued in the form of a Certificated Note shall be issued in the form of a Certificated Note. In addition, Subordinated Notes sold on the Closing Date to Institutional Accredited Investors that are also Qualified Purchasers or entities that are owned (or beneficially owned) exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and/or Knowledgeable Employees with respect to the Issuer who have received the consent of the Issuer and the Initial Purchaser to such entity's acquisition of Subordinated Notes (any such entity, a "Permitted IAI") shall be issued in the form of a Certificated Note.
- (iv) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, each Class E Note and Subordinated Note sold or transferred to Benefit Plan Investors or Controlling Persons after the Closing Date shall be issued or transferred only in the form of a Certificated Note.

(v) [Reserved.]

- (vi) The aggregate principal amount of the Global Notes may from time to time be increased or decreased by adjustments made on the records of the Trustee or DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, as hereinafter provided.
- (c) <u>Book Entry Provisions</u>. This <u>Section 2.2(c)</u> shall apply only to Global Notes deposited with or on behalf of DTC.

The provisions of the "Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System" of Euroclear and the "Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Participants" of Clearstream, respectively, shall be applicable to the Global Notes insofar as interests in such Global Notes are held by the Agent Members of Euroclear or Clearstream, as the case may be.

Agent Members shall have no rights under this Indenture with respect to any Global Notes held on their behalf by the Trustee, as custodian for DTC and DTC may be treated by the Applicable Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Applicable Issuer or the Trustee as the absolute owner of such Notes for all purposes whatsoever. Notwithstanding the foregoing, nothing herein shall prevent the Applicable Issuer, the Trustee, or any agent of the Applicable Issuer or the Trustee, from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by DTC or impair, as between DTC and its Agent Members, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of a Holder of any Note.

Section 2.3 <u>Authorized Amount; Stated Maturity; Denominations</u>. The aggregate principal amount of Secured Notes and Subordinated Notes that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is limited to U.S.\$322,725,000 aggregate principal amount of Notes (except for (i) Deferred Interest with respect to the Class C Notes, the Class D Notes and the Class E Notes, (ii) Notes authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Notes pursuant to <u>Section 2.5</u>, <u>Section 2.6</u> or <u>Section 8.6</u> of this Indenture or (iii) additional debt issued or incurred, as applicable, in accordance with <u>Sections 2.14</u> and 3.2).

Such Notes shall be divided into the Classes, having the designations, original principal amounts and other characteristics as follows:

Class Designation	Class A-1 Notes	Class A-J Notes	Class B-1 Notes	Class B-F Notes	Class C-1 Notes	Class C-F Notes	Class D-1 Notes	Class D-J Notes	Class E-1 Notes	Class E-F Notes	Subordinat ed Notes
Original Principal	\$195,000,0	\$13,000,00		\$14,263,15							
Amount ⁽¹⁾ (U.S.\$)	00	0	3	7	2	\$5,263,158	\$16,250,000	\$4,875,000	\$7,644,736	\$2,105,264	\$25,350,000
, , , , , ,	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment	Payment
	Date in	Date in	Date in	Date in	Date in	Date in April	Date in April	Date in	Date in	Date in April	Date in April
Stated Maturity	April 2036	April 2036	April 2036	April 2036	April 2036	2036	2036	April 2036	April 2036	2036	2036
Floating Rate	V	V	V	NI-	V	NI-	V	NI-	V	NI-	N/A
Notes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No Yes	Yes	No Yes	N/A
Fixed Rate Notes	No	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	N/A
Interest Rate	Benchmark + 1.80% ⁽²⁾	Benchmark + 2.00% ⁽²⁾	Benchmark + 2.40% ⁽²⁾	6.220%	Benchmark + 2.95% ⁽²⁾	6.766%	Benchmark + 4.54% ⁽²⁾	9.375%	Benchmark + 7.93% ⁽²⁾	11.745%	N/A
Index Maturity	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	3 months	N/A
Initial Rating(s):											
S&P	"AAA (sf)"	"AAA (sf)"	"AA (sf)"	"AA (sf)"	"A (sf)"	"A (sf)"	"BBB (sf)"	"BBB- (sf)"	"BB- (sf)"	"BB- (sf)"	N/A
Interest											
Deferrable	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A
								A-1, A-J,	A-1, A-J,		A-1, A-J, B-1,
							A-1, A-J,	B-1, B-F,	B-1, B-F,	A-1, A-J, B-1,	B-F, C-1, C-F,
					A-1, A-J,	A-1, A-J,	B-1, B-F,	C-1, C-F,	C-1, C-F,	B-F, C-1, C-F,	D-1, D-J, E-1,
Priority Classes	None	A-1	A-1, A-J	A-1, A-J	B-1, B-F	B-1, B-F	C-1, C-F	D-1	D-1, D-J	D-1, D-J	E-F
Pari Passu											
Classes	None	None	B-F	B-1	C-F	C-1	None	None	E-F	E-1	None
	A-J, B-1, B-F, C-1,	B-1, B-F,									
	C-F, D-1,	C-1, C-F,	C-1, C-F,	C-1, C-F,							
	D-J, E-1,	D-1, D-J,	D-1, D-J,	D-1, D-J,	D-1, D-J,	D-1, D-J,					
	E-F	E-1, E-F	E-1, E-F,	E-1, E-F	E-1, E-F	E-1, E-F	D-J, E-1, E-F,	E-1, E-F,			
	Subordinat	Subordinat		Subordinat	Subordinat	Subordinate	Subordinate	Subordinat			
Junior Classes	ed	ed	ed	ed	ed	d	d	ed	ed	Subordinated	None
Listed Notes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Applicable Issuer(s)	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Co-Issuers	Issuer	Issuer	Issuer
Re-priceable											
Class	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	N/A

⁽¹⁾ As of the Closing Date.

Each Class of Notes shall be issued in Minimum Denominations of U.S.\$100,000 and integral multiples of U.S.\$1.00 in excess thereof. The Notes shall only be transferred or resold in compliance with the terms of this Indenture.

Section 2.4 <u>Execution, Authentication, Delivery and Dating</u>. The Notes shall be executed on behalf of each of the Applicable Issuers by one of their respective Authorized Officers. The signature of such Authorized Officer on the Notes may be manual or facsimile.

⁽²⁾ The initial Benchmark will be the Term SOFR Rate. The Term SOFR Rate shall be calculated as set forth in the definition of "Term SOFR Rate". The Benchmark on the Floating Rate Notes may be changed to the Fallback Rate in accordance with the definition of "Benchmark" and certain other conditions specified in this Indenture. The spread over the Benchmark (or fixed rate of interest, as the case may be) of any Class of Secured Notes (other than the Class A-1 Notes and the Class A-J Notes) may be reduced in connection with a Re-Pricing of such Class of Notes, subject to the conditions described under Section 9.9.

Notes bearing the manual, facsimile, or electronic signatures of individuals who were at any time the Authorized Officers of the Applicable Issuer, shall bind the Issuer and the Co-Issuer, as applicable, notwithstanding the fact that such individuals or any of them have ceased to hold such offices prior to the authentication and delivery of such Notes or did not hold such offices at the date of issuance of such Notes.

At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuer and the Co-Issuer may deliver Notes executed by the Applicable Issuers to the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent for authentication and the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent, upon Issuer Order (which shall be deemed to be provided upon delivery of an executed Note to the Trustee or Authenticating Agent), shall authenticate and deliver such Notes as provided in this Indenture and not otherwise.

Each Note authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent upon Issuer Order on the Closing Date shall be dated as of the Closing Date. All other Notes that are authenticated after the Closing Date for any other purpose under this Indenture shall be dated the date of their authentication.

Notes issued upon transfer, exchange or replacement of other Notes shall be issued in authorized denominations reflecting the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged or replaced, but shall represent only the current Outstanding principal amount of the Notes so transferred, exchanged or replaced. If any Note is divided into more than one Note in accordance with this <u>Article II</u>, the original principal amount of such Note shall be proportionately divided among the Notes delivered in exchange therefor and shall be deemed to be the original aggregate principal amount of such subsequently issued Notes.

No Note shall be entitled to any benefit under this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose, unless there appears on such Note a Certificate of Authentication, substantially in the form provided for herein, executed by the Trustee or by the Authenticating Agent by the manual, electronic or facsimile signature of one of their authorized signatories, and such certificate upon any Note shall be conclusive evidence, and the only evidence, that such Note has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder.

Section 2.5 <u>Registration, Registration of Transfer and Exchange.</u> (a) The Issuer shall cause the Notes to be Registered and shall cause to be kept a register (the "**Register**") at the office of the Trustee in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, the Issuer shall provide for the registration of Notes (including the names and addresses of the Holders and the principal or face amount (and stated interest) due to each Holder) and the registration of transfers of Notes. The Trustee is hereby initially appointed registrar (the "**Registrar**") for the purpose of registering Notes and transfers of such Notes with respect to the Register maintained in the United States as herein provided. The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, absent manifest error, and the Holders, the Issuer, any Paying Agent, and the Trustee shall treat each person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Holder for all purposes of this Indenture. Upon any resignation or removal

of the Registrar, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor or, in the absence of such appointment, assume the duties of Registrar.

If a Person other than the Trustee is appointed by the Issuer as Registrar, the Issuer shall give the Trustee prompt written notice of the appointment of a Registrar and of the location, and any change in the location, of the Register, and the Trustee shall have the right to inspect the Register at all reasonable times and to obtain copies thereof and the Trustee shall have the right to rely upon a certificate executed on behalf of the Registrar by an Officer thereof as to the names and addresses of the Holders of the Notes and the principal or face amounts and numbers of such Notes. Upon written request at any time the Registrar shall provide to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or any Holder a current list of Holders (and their holdings) as reflected in the Register. In addition and upon written request at any time, the Registrar shall provide to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser or any Holder any information the Registrar actually possesses regarding the nature and identity of any beneficial owner of any Note (and its holdings).

Subject to this <u>Section 2.5</u>, upon surrender for registration of transfer of any Notes at the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in <u>Section 7.2</u>, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the designated transferee or transferees, one or more new Notes of any authorized denomination and of a like aggregate principal or face amount.

At the option of the Holder, Notes may be exchanged for Notes of like terms, in any authorized denominations and of like aggregate principal amount, upon surrender of the Notes to be exchanged at such office or agency. Whenever any Note is surrendered for exchange, the Applicable Issuers shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, the Notes that the Holder making the exchange is entitled to receive.

All Notes issued and authenticated upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes shall be the valid obligations of the Issuer and, solely in the case of the Secured Notes (other than the Class E Notes), the Co-Issuer, evidencing the same debt (to the extent they evidence debt), and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as the Notes surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

Every Note presented or surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange shall be duly endorsed, or be accompanied by a written instrument of transfer in form satisfactory to the Registrar duly executed by the Holder thereof or such Holder's attorney duly authorized in writing, with (if required by the Registrar) signature guarantee by an eligible guarantor institution meeting the requirements of the Registrar (which requirements may include membership or participation in the Securities Transfer Agents Medallion Program ("STAMP") or such other "signature guarantee program" acceptable to the Registrar in addition to, or in substitution for, STAMP).

No service charge shall be made to a Holder for any registration of transfer or exchange of Notes, but the Trustee or the Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith. The Trustee or the

Registrar shall be permitted to request such evidence reasonably satisfactory to it documenting the identity and/or signatures of the transferor and transferee.

- (b) No Note may be sold or transferred (including, without limitation, by pledge or hypothecation) unless such sale or transfer is exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act, is exempt from the registration requirements under applicable state securities laws and shall not cause either of the Co-Issuers to become subject to the requirement that it register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act.
- No transfer of any Class E Note or Subordinated Note (or any interest therein) shall be effective, and the Trustee shall not recognize any such transfer, if after giving effect to such transfer 25% or more of the total value of any such Class, respectively, represented by the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof would be held by Persons who have represented that they are, or are acting on behalf of, Benefit Plan Investors. For purposes of calculating the 25% Limitation, any Notes of the Issuer held by a Person (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) who is a Controlling Person shall be disregarded and not treated as Outstanding. The Issuer and the Trustee shall be entitled to rely exclusively upon the information set forth in the face of the transfer certificates received pursuant to the terms of this Section 2.5 and only Notes that a Trust Officer of the Trustee actually knows to be so held shall be so disregarded. In addition, no Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes in the form of Global Notes (other than Class E Notes and Subordinated Notes purchased from the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser as part of the initial offering) may be held by or transferred to a Benefit Plan Investor or Controlling Person, and each beneficial owner of a Class E Note or a Subordinated Note acquiring its interest therein in the initial offering shall provide to the Issuer a written certification in the form of Exhibit B-5 attached hereto.
- (d) Notwithstanding anything contained herein to the contrary, except as provided in Section 2.5(c), the Trustee shall not be responsible for ascertaining whether any transfer complies with, or for otherwise monitoring or determining compliance with, the registration provisions of or any exemptions from the Securities Act, applicable state securities laws or the applicable laws of any other jurisdiction, ERISA, the Code, the Investment Company Act, or the terms hereof; *provided* that if a certificate is specifically required by the terms of this Section 2.5 to be provided to the Trustee by a purchaser or by a prospective transferor or transferee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to receive and examine the same to determine whether or not the certificate substantially conforms on its face to the applicable requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly notify the party delivering the same if such certificate does not comply with such terms.
- (e) For so long as any of the Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall not issue or permit the transfer of any ordinary shares of the Issuer to U.S. persons.
- (f) Transfers of Global Secured Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(b) and this Section 2.5(f).
 - (i) <u>Rule 144A Global Secured Note to Regulation S Global Secured Note</u>. In the case of the Secured Notes, if a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global

Secured Note deposited with DTC wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Rule 144A Global Secured Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Secured Note, or to transfer its interest in such Rule 144A Global Secured Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Secured Note, such Holder (provided that such Holder or, in the case of a transfer, the transferee is not a U.S. person and is acquiring such interest in an offshore transaction) may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of DTC, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Secured Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) instructions given in accordance with DTC's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Registrar to credit or cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Secured Note, but not less than the Minimum Denomination applicable to such Holder's Notes, in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Secured Note to be exchanged or transferred, (B) a written order given in accordance with DTC's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of DTC and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase, (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 attached hereto given by the Holder of such beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Secured Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and in an offshore transaction pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S and (D) a written certification in the form of Exhibit B-2 or Exhibit B-4, as applicable, attached hereto given by the transferee in respect of such beneficial interest stating, among other things, that such transferee is a non-U.S. person purchasing such beneficial interest in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S, then the Registrar shall approve the instructions at DTC to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Secured Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Secured Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Secured Note to be exchanged or transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Secured Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Secured Note.

(ii) Regulation S Global Secured Note to Rule 144A Global Secured Note. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Secured Note deposited with DTC wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Regulation S Global Secured Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Secured Note or to transfer its interest in such Regulation S Global Secured Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Secured Note, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Secured Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case

may be, directing the Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Secured Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in such Regulation S Global Secured Note, but not less than the Minimum Denomination applicable to such Holder's Notes to be exchanged or transferred, such instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with DTC to be credited with such increase, (B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 attached hereto given by the Holder of such beneficial interest and stating, among other things, that, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring such interest in such Regulation S Global Secured Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring such interest in a Rule 144A Global Secured Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and either (x) a Qualified Purchaser or (y) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, is obtaining such beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (C) a written certification in the form of Exhibit B-2 or Exhibit B-4, as applicable, attached hereto given by the transferee in respect of such beneficial interest stating, among other things, that such transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and either (x) a Qualified Purchaser or (y) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, then the Registrar shall approve the instructions at DTC to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Regulation S Global Secured Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Secured Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Registrar shall instruct DTC, concurrently with such reduction, to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Secured Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Secured Note.

(iii) Global Secured Note to Certificated Secured Note. Subject to Section 2.11(a), if a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Global Secured Note deposited with DTC wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Global Secured Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a corresponding Certificated Secured Note, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, transfer, or cause the transfer of, such interest for a Certificated Secured Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) a certificate substantially in the forms of Exhibit B-2 or Exhibit B4 (as applicable) attached hereto executed by the transferee with respect to the Secured Notes other than the Class E Notes and, with respect to Class E Notes, a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-5 and (B) appropriate instructions from DTC, if required, the Registrar shall approve the instructions at DTC to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Global Secured Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Secured Note to be transferred, record the transfer in the Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and upon execution by the Applicable Issuers and authentication and delivery by the Trustee, one or more corresponding Certificated Secured Notes, registered in the names specified in the instructions described in clause (B) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the interest in such Global Secured Note transferred by the transferor), and in authorized denominations.

- (g) Transfers of Certificated Secured Notes shall only be made in accordance with Section 2.2(b) and this Section 2.5(g).
 - Certificated Secured Notes to Global Secured Notes. If a Holder of a Certificated Secured Note wishes at any time to exchange its interest in a Certificated Secured Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Secured Note or to a Regulation S Global Secured Note or to transfer such Certificated Secured Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in a corresponding Global Secured Note, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such Certificated Secured Note for a beneficial interest in a corresponding Global Secured Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) a Holder's Certificated Secured Note properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1 or B-3 (as applicable) executed by the transferor and certificates substantially in the forms of Exhibit B-2 or B-4 (as applicable) attached hereto executed by the transferee, (C) instructions given in accordance with Euroclear, Clearstream or DTC's procedures, as the case may be, from an Agent Member to instruct DTC to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the applicable Global Secured Notes in an amount equal to the Certificated Secured Notes to be transferred or exchanged, and (D) a written order given in accordance with DTC's procedures containing information regarding the participant's account at DTC and/or Euroclear or Clearstream to be credited with such increase, the Registrar shall cancel such Certificated Secured Note in accordance with Section 2.9, record the transfer in the Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and approve the instructions at DTC, concurrently with such cancellation, to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Global Secured Note equal to the principal amount of the Certificated Secured Note transferred or exchanged.
 - (ii) <u>Certificated Secured Notes to Certificated Secured Notes</u>. If a Holder of a Certificated Secured Note wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Certificated Secured Note for one or more other Certificated Secured Notes of the same Class or wishes to transfer such Certificated Secured Note, such Holder may do so in accordance with this <u>Section 2.5(g)(ii)</u>. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) a Holder's Certificated Secured Note properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, and (B) a certificate substantially in the forms of <u>Exhibit B-2</u> or <u>Exhibit B4</u> (as applicable) with respect to the Secured Notes other than the Class E Notes (and, with respect to Class E Notes, a certificate substantially in the form of <u>Exhibit B-5</u>) attached hereto executed by the transferee, the Registrar shall cancel such Certificated Secured Note in accordance with <u>Section 2.9</u>, record the transfer in the Register in accordance with <u>Section 2.5(a)</u> and upon execution by the Applicable Issuers and authentication and delivery by the Trustee, deliver one or more Certificated Secured Notes bearing the same designation as the Certificated Secured Note endorsed for transfer, registered in the names specified in the

assignment described in <u>clause (A)</u> above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Secured Note surrendered by the transferor), and in authorized denominations.

- (h) Transfers and exchanges of Subordinated Notes shall only be made in accordance with <u>Section 2.2(b)</u> and this <u>Section 2.5(h)</u>.
 - (i) Certificated Subordinated Note to Certificated Subordinated Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) a Holder's Certificated Subordinated Note properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, and (B) certificates in the form of Exhibits B-4 and B-5 attached hereto given by the transferee of such Certificated Subordinated Note, the Registrar shall cancel such Certificated Subordinated Note in accordance with Section 2.9, record the transfer in the Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and upon execution by the Issuer and authentication and delivery by the Trustee, deliver one or more Certificated Subordinated Notes bearing the same designation as the Certificated Subordinated Note endorsed for transfer, registered in the names specified in the assignment described in clause (A) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the Certificated Subordinated Note surrendered by the transferor), and in authorized denominations.
 - Global Subordinated Note to Certificated Subordinated Note. Subject to Section 2.11(a), if a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Global Subordinated Note deposited with DTC wishes at any time to transfer its interest in such Global Subordinated Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a corresponding Certificated Subordinated Note, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, transfer, or cause the transfer of, such interest for a Certificated Subordinated Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) certificates substantially in the form of Exhibits B-4 and B-5 attached hereto executed by the transferee and (B) appropriate instructions from DTC, if required, the Registrar shall approve the instructions at DTC to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Global Subordinated Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Global Subordinated Note to be transferred, record the transfer in the Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and upon execution by the Issuer and authentication and delivery by the Trustee, deliver one or more corresponding Certificated Subordinated Notes, registered in the names specified in the instructions described in clause (B) above, in principal amounts designated by the transferee (the aggregate of such principal amounts being equal to the aggregate principal amount of the interest in such Global Subordinated Note transferred by the transferor), and in authorized denominations.
 - (iii) <u>Certificated Subordinated Note to Global Subordinated Note</u>. If a Holder of a Certificated Subordinated Note wishes at any time to transfer such Certificated Subordinated Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of a beneficial interest in a corresponding Global Subordinated Note, such Holder may,

subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such Certificated Subordinated Note for a beneficial interest in a corresponding Global Subordinated Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) a Holder's Certificated Subordinated Note properly endorsed for assignment to the transferee, (B) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1 or Exhibit B-3, as applicable, attached hereto executed by the transferor and a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-4, attached hereto executed by the transferee, (C) instructions given in accordance with Euroclear, Clearstream or DTC's procedures, as the case may be, from an Agent Member to instruct DTC to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the applicable Global Subordinated Note in an amount equal to the Certificated Subordinated Notes to be transferred or exchanged, and (D) a written order given in accordance with DTC's procedures containing information regarding the participant's account at DTC and/or Euroclear or Clearstream to be credited with such increase, the Registrar shall cancel such Certificated Subordinated Note in accordance with Section 2.9, record the transfer in the Register in accordance with Section 2.5(a) and approve the instructions at DTC, concurrently with such cancellation, to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Global Subordinated Note equal to the principal amount of the Certificated Subordinated Note transferred or exchanged.

(iv) Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note to Regulation S Global Subordinated Note. In the case of the Subordinated Notes, if a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note deposited with DTC wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note for an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Subordinated Note, or to transfer its interest in such Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Subordinated Note, such Holder (provided that such Holder or, in the case of a transfer, the transferee is not a U.S. person and is acquiring such interest in an offshore transaction) may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of DTC, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Subordinated Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) instructions given in accordance with DTC's procedures from an Agent Member directing the Registrar to credit or cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Subordinated Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note to be exchanged or transferred, (B) a written order given in accordance with DTC's procedures containing information regarding the participant account of DTC and the Euroclear or Clearstream account to be credited with such increase, (C) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-1 attached hereto given by the Holder of such beneficial interest stating that the exchange or transfer of such interest has been made in compliance with the transfer restrictions applicable to the Global Subordinated Notes, including that the Holder or the transferee, as applicable, is not a U.S. person, and in an offshore transaction pursuant to and in accordance with Regulation S and (D) a written certification in the form of Exhibit B-4,

attached hereto given by the transferee in respect of such beneficial interest stating, among other things, that such transferee is a non-U.S. person purchasing such beneficial interest in an offshore transaction pursuant to Regulation S, then the Registrar shall approve the instructions at DTC to reduce the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note and to increase the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Subordinated Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note to be exchanged or transferred, and to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in the corresponding Regulation S Global Subordinated Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note.

Regulation S Global Subordinated Note to Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note. If a Holder of a beneficial interest in a Regulation S Global Subordinated Note deposited with DTC wishes at any time to exchange its interest in such Regulation S Global Subordinated Note for an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note or to transfer its interest in such Regulation S Global Subordinated Note to a Person who wishes to take delivery thereof in the form of an interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note, such Holder may, subject to the immediately succeeding sentence and the rules and procedures of Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, exchange or transfer, or cause the exchange or transfer of, such interest for an equivalent beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note. Upon receipt by the Registrar of (A) instructions from Euroclear, Clearstream and/or DTC, as the case may be, directing the Registrar to cause to be credited a beneficial interest in the corresponding Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note in an amount equal to the beneficial interest in such Regulation S Global Subordinated Note, such instructions to contain information regarding the participant account with DTC to be credited with such increase, (B) a certificate in the form of Exhibit B-3 attached hereto given by the Holder of such beneficial interest and stating, among other things, that, in the case of a transfer, the Person transferring such interest in such Regulation S Global Subordinated Note reasonably believes that the Person acquiring such interest in a Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and either (x) a Qualified Purchaser or (y) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, is obtaining such beneficial interest in a transaction meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction and (C) a written certification in the form of Exhibit B-4 attached hereto given by the transferee in respect of such beneficial interest stating, among other things, that such transferee is a Qualified Institutional Buyer and either (x) a Qualified Purchaser or (y) an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, then the Registrar shall approve the instructions at DTC to reduce, or cause to be reduced, the Regulation S Global Subordinated Note by the aggregate principal amount of the beneficial interest in the Regulation S Global Subordinated Note to be transferred or exchanged and the Registrar shall instruct DTC, concurrently with such reduction, to credit or cause to be credited to the securities account of the Person specified in such instructions a beneficial interest in

the corresponding Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note equal to the reduction in the principal amount of the Regulation S Global Subordinated Note.

- bearing the applicable legends set forth in the applicable part of Exhibit A hereto, and if a request is made to remove such applicable legend on such Notes, the Notes so issued shall bear such applicable legend, or such applicable legend shall not be removed, as the case may be, unless there is delivered to the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers such satisfactory evidence, which may include an Opinion of Counsel acceptable to them, as may be reasonably required by the Applicable Issuers (and which shall by its terms permit reliance by the Trustee), to the effect that neither such applicable legend nor the restrictions on transfer set forth therein are required to ensure that transfers thereof comply with the provisions of the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, ERISA or the Code. Upon provision of such satisfactory evidence, the Trustee or its Authenticating Agent, at the written direction of the Applicable Issuers shall, after due execution by the Applicable Issuers authenticate and deliver Notes that do not bear such applicable legend.
- (j) Each Person who becomes a beneficial owner of Notes represented by an interest in a Global Note shall be deemed to have represented and agreed as follows (except as may be expressly agreed in writing between a purchaser and the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser, as applicable, in the case of a purchaser purchasing on the Closing Date); and each purchaser who purchases Subordinated Notes from the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser on the Closing Date shall be required to provide a subscription agreement containing representations substantially similar to those set forth in Exhibit B-4 hereto, as well as other agreements and indemnities (except as may be expressly agreed in writing between a purchaser, the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser, as applicable), including:
 - (i) In connection with the purchase of such Notes: (A) none of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Retention Holder, the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or the Administrator (the "Transaction Parties") or any of their respective affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for such beneficial owner; (B) such beneficial owner is not relying, and will not rely, (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any written or oral advice, counsel or representations of the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates other than any statements in the Offering Circular for such Notes, and such beneficial owner has read and understands such Offering Circular for the Notes (including, without limitation, the descriptions therein of the structure of the transaction in which the Notes are being issued and the risks to purchasers of the Notes); (C) such beneficial owner has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary and has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to this Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates; (D) such beneficial owner is either (1) (in the case of a beneficial owner of an interest in a Rule 144A Global Note) both (a) a QIB that purchases such Notes in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration

provided by Rule 144A that is neither a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A which owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S.\$25,000,000 in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of the dealer, nor a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (a)(1)(i)(E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such a plan, if investment decisions with respect to the plan are made by the beneficiaries of the plan, except with respect to investment decisions made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, and (b) a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers, (2) not a U.S. person and is acquiring the Notes in an offshore transaction (as defined in Regulation S) in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S or (3) solely in the case of Subordinated Notes in the form of Certificated Notes sold on the Closing Date, a Permitted IAI; (E) such beneficial owner is acquiring its interest in such Notes as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (F) such beneficial owner was not formed for the purpose of investing in such Notes; (G) such beneficial owner understands that the Issuer may receive a list of participants holding interests in the Notes from one or more book entry depositories; (H) such beneficial owner will hold and transfer at least the Minimum Denomination of such Notes; (I) such beneficial owner is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Notes with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and is capable of and willing to assume those risks; (J) such beneficial owner will provide notice of the relevant transfer restrictions to subsequent transferees; (K) if it is not a U.S. person, it is not acquiring any Note as part of a plan to reduce, avoid or evade U.S. federal income tax; (L) none of the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates has given it (directly or indirectly through any other Person) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Notes or of this Indenture; (M) the beneficial owner has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of the Notes reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (N) the beneficial owner is not a (x) partnership, (y) common trust fund or (z) special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants may designate the particular investments to be made; and (O) the beneficial owner agrees that it will not hold any Notes for the benefit of any other Person, that it will at all times be the sole beneficial owner of the Notes for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and that the beneficial owner will not sell participation interests in the Notes or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person will be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Notes.

(ii) With respect to the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes (or interests therein), (i) either (A) it is not, and is not acting on behalf of (and for so long as it holds such Note or interest therein will not be, and will not be acting on behalf of), a Benefit Plan Investor or a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Other Plan Law, and no part of the assets to be used by

it to acquire or hold such Note or any interest therein constitutes the assets of any Benefit Plan Investor or such governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan; or (B)(1) if it is, or is acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor, its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Secured Notes (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, and (2) if it is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Other Plan Law, its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Secured Notes (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a violation of any such Other Plan Law; and (ii) it will not sell or transfer such Note (or any interest therein) to an acquiror acquiring such Note (or any interest therein) unless the acquiror makes the foregoing representations, warranties and agreements described in (i) hereof.

- (iii) (a) With respect to the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes (or interests therein) purchased from the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser on the Closing Date, (1) whether or not, for so long as it holds such Notes or interests therein, it is, or is acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, (2) if it is, or is acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor, its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a non exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, and (3) if it is a governmental, church, non U.S. or other plan which is subject to any Other Plan Law, (I) it is not, and for so long as it holds such Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes and interests therein will not be, subject to Similar Law and (II) its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a violation of any such Other Plan Law, and (b) with respect to subsequent transferees of the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes (or interests therein) following the Closing Date, (1) it is not, and is not acting on behalf of (and for so long as it holds such Notes or interests therein will not be, and will not be acting on behalf of), a Benefit Plan Investor or a Controlling Person, and (2) if it is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, (A) it is not, and for so long as it holds such Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes or interests therein will not be, subject to Similar Law, and (B) its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a violation of any Other Plan Law.
- (iv) If it is, or is acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor, (i) none of the Transaction Parties or any financial intermediaries or other persons that provide marketing services, or any of their respective affiliates, has provided any investment recommendation or investment advice on which it, or any fiduciary or other person investing the assets of the Benefit Plan Investor ("Plan Fiduciary"), has relied as a primary basis in connection with its decision to invest in the Notes, and they are not otherwise undertaking to act as a fiduciary, as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA or Section 4975(e)(3) of the Code, to the Benefit Plan Investor or the Plan Fiduciary in connection with the Benefit Plan Investor's acquisition of the Notes, and (ii) the Plan Fiduciary is exercising its own independent judgment in evaluating the investment in the Notes.

- (v) Such beneficial owner understands that such Notes are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, such Notes have not been and will not be registered or qualified under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and, if in the future such beneficial owner decides to reoffer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer such Notes, such Notes may be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture and the legend on such Notes. Such beneficial owner acknowledges that no representation has been made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of such Notes. Such beneficial owner understands that neither of the Co-Issuers has been registered under the Investment Company Act, and that the Co-Issuers are excepted from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.
- (vi) With respect to the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes, each purchaser or transferee agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates from any claim, cost, damage or loss incurred by them as a result of the representations under clause (iii) becoming untrue. It understands that the representations made in clause (iii) will be deemed to be made on each day from the date of acquisition by it of an interest in a Class E Note or Subordinated Note, as applicable, through and including the date on which it disposes of such interest. It agrees that if any of its representations under clause (iii) becomes untrue, it will immediately notify the Issuer and the Trustee and take any other action as may be requested by them.
- Such beneficial owner, if it owns more than 50% of the Subordinated (vii) Notes by value or is otherwise treated as a member of the Issuer's "expanded affiliated group" (as defined in Treasury regulations section 1.1471-5(i) (or any successor provision)), it represents that it will (A) confirm that any member of such expanded affiliated group (assuming that each of the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary is a "participating FFI" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-1(b)(91) (or any successor provision)) that is treated as a "foreign financial institution" within the meaning of Section 1471(d)(4) of the Code and any Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder is either a "participating FFI", a "registered deemed-compliant FFI" or an "exempt beneficial owner" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-4(e) (or any successor provision), and (B) promptly notify the Issuer in the event that any member of such expanded affiliated group that is treated as a "foreign financial institution" within the meaning of Section 1471(d)(4) of the Code and any Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder is not either a "participating FFI", a "registered deemed-compliant FFI" or an "exempt beneficial owner" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-4(e) (or any successor provision), in each case except to the extent that the Issuer or its agents have provided such Holder with an express waiver of this requirement.
- (viii) Such beneficial owner is aware that, except as otherwise provided in this Indenture, any Notes being sold to it in reliance on Regulation S will be represented by

one or more Regulation S Global Notes, and that beneficial interests therein may be held only through DTC for the respective accounts of Euroclear or Clearstream.

- (ix) Such beneficial owner shall provide notice to each person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Notes of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in this <u>Section 2.5</u>, including the exhibits referenced herein, and in Section 2.14.
- (x) Such beneficial owner shall not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Notes by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.
- (k) Each Person who becomes an owner of beneficial interest in a Certificated Note (including a transfer of an interest in a Global Note to a transferee acquiring a Note in the form of a Certificated Note), shall be required to make the representations and agreements set forth in Exhibit B-2 and Exhibit B-4 hereto (and, in the case of the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes, Exhibit B-5), as applicable. Each Person who becomes an owner of a Certificated Note on the Closing Date shall be required to provide the Initial Purchaser and the Issuer, as applicable, with a subscription agreement containing representations substantially similar to those set forth in Exhibit B-2 and Exhibit B-4 hereto (and, in the case of the Class E Notes and the Subordinated Notes, Exhibit B-5), as applicable, as well as other agreements and indemnities (except as may be expressly agreed in writing between such Person and the Issuer or the Initial Purchaser, as applicable).
- (l) Any purported transfer of a Note not in accordance with this <u>Section 2.5</u> shall be null and void and shall not be given effect for any purpose whatsoever.
- (m) To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon written notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Notes to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of a Note to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.
- (n) The Registrar, the Trustee and the Issuer shall be entitled to conclusively rely on the information set forth on the face of any transferor and transferee certificate delivered pursuant to this Section 2.5 and shall be able to presume conclusively the continuing accuracy thereof, in each case without further inquiry or investigation. Notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Trustee shall not be required to obtain any certificate specifically required by the terms of this Section 2.5 if the Trustee has not been notified in writing or a Trust Officer does not have actual knowledge of any transfer requiring such certificate to be presented by the proposed transferor or transferee.

(o) For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding anything in this Indenture to the contrary, the Initial Purchaser may hold a position in a Regulation S Global Secured Note prior to the distribution of the applicable Notes represented by such position.

Section 2.6 Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost or Stolen Note. If (a) any mutilated or defaced Note is surrendered to a Transfer Agent, or if there shall be delivered to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee and the relevant Transfer Agent evidence to their reasonable satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of any Note, and (b) there is delivered to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee and such Transfer Agent such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee or such Transfer Agent that such Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, the Applicable Issuers shall execute and, upon Issuer Order, which shall be deemed to have been provided upon delivery to the Trustee for execution of a Note signed by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to the Holder, in lieu of any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Note, a new Note, of like tenor (including the same date of issuance) and equal principal or face amount, registered in the same manner, dated the date of its authentication, bearing interest from the date to which interest has been paid on the mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Note and bearing a number not contemporaneously Outstanding.

If, after delivery of such new Note, a protected purchaser of the predecessor Note presents for payment, transfer or exchange such predecessor Note, the Applicable Issuers, the Transfer Agent and the Trustee shall be entitled to recover such new Note from the Person to whom it was delivered or any Person taking therefrom, and shall be entitled to recover upon the security or indemnity provided therefor to the extent of any loss, damage, cost or expense incurred by the Applicable Issuers, the Trustee and the Transfer Agent in connection therewith.

In case any such mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Note has become due and payable, the Applicable Issuers in their discretion may, instead of issuing a new Note pay such Note without requiring surrender thereof except that any mutilated or defaced Note shall be surrendered.

Upon the issuance of any new Note under this <u>Section 2.6</u>, the Applicable Issuers may require the payment by the Holder thereof of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith.

Every new Note issued pursuant to this <u>Section 2.6</u> in lieu of any mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Note shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Applicable Issuers and such new Note shall be entitled, subject to the second paragraph of this <u>Section 2.6</u>, to all the benefits of this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Notes of the same Class duly issued hereunder.

The provisions of this <u>Section 2.6</u> are exclusive and shall preclude (to the extent lawful) all other rights and remedies with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes.

Section 2.7 Payment of Principal and Interest and Other Amounts; Principal and Interest Rights Preserved. (a) The Secured Notes of each Class shall accrue interest during each Interest Accrual Period at the applicable Interest Rate and such interest shall be payable in arrears on each Payment Date on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof on the first day of the related Interest Accrual Period with respect to the Secured Notes (after giving effect to payments of principal thereof on such date), except as otherwise set forth below. Payment of interest on each Class of Secured Notes (and payments of available Interest Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes) shall be subordinated to the payment of interest on each related Priority Class as provided in Section 11.1. So long as any Priority Class is Outstanding with respect to the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes or the Class E Notes, as applicable, any payment of interest due on the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes or the Class E Notes, as applicable, which, in each case, is not available to be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payment on any Payment Date (such unpaid interest with respect to each such Class, as applicable (the "Deferred Interest")) shall not be considered "due and payable" for the purposes of Section 5.1(a) (and the failure to pay such interest shall not be an Event of Default) until the earliest of (A) the Payment Date on which funds are available to pay such Deferred Interest in accordance with the Priority of Payments and (B) (i) the Redemption Date with respect to such Class of Notes and (ii) the Stated Maturity of such Class of Secured Notes. Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes and the Class E Notes shall be added to the principal balance of the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes and the Class E Notes, respectively, and shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are available to be used for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Regardless of whether any Priority Class is Outstanding with respect to the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes or the Class E Notes, to the extent that funds are not available on any Payment Date (other than, in the case of the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes or the Class E Notes, the Redemption Date with respect to, or Stated Maturity of, such Class of Secured Notes) to pay previously accrued Deferred Interest, such previously accrued Deferred Interest shall not be due and payable on such Payment Date and any failure to pay such previously accrued Deferred Interest on such Payment Date shall not be an Event of Default. Interest shall cease to accrue on each Secured Note, or in the case of a partial repayment, on such repaid part, from the date of repayment. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest on any interest that is not paid when due on any Class A-1 Notes, the Class A-J Notes or Class B Notes or, if no Class A-1 Notes, class A-J Notes or Class B Notes are Outstanding, any Class C Notes or, if no Class C Notes are Outstanding, any Class D-1 Notes, or, if no Class D-1 Notes are Outstanding, any Class D-J Notes, or, if no Class D-J Notes are Outstanding, any Class E Notes shall accrue at the Interest Rate for such Class until paid as provided herein.

(b) The principal of the Secured Notes of each Class matures at par and is due and payable on the date of the Stated Maturity for such Class, unless such principal has been previously repaid or unless the unpaid principal of such Secured Notes becomes due and payable

at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the payment of principal of each Class of Secured Notes (and payments of Principal Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes) may only occur in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Payments of principal on any Class of Secured Notes, and distributions of Principal Proceeds to Holders of Subordinated Notes, which are not paid, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, on any Payment Date (other than the Payment Date which is the Stated Maturity of such Class of Notes or any Redemption Date), because of insufficient funds therefor shall not be considered "due and payable" for purposes of Section 5.1(a) until the Payment Date on which such principal may be paid in accordance with the Priority of Payments.

- (c) Principal payments on the Notes shall be made in accordance with the Priority of Payments and <u>Article IX</u>.
- As a condition to the payment of any amounts on any Notes without the imposition of withholding or back-up withholding tax, any Paying Agent (including the Trustee serving in such capacity) shall require certification acceptable to it to enable it to determine its duties and liabilities, or such certification as the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Paying Agent shall request to enable such party to determine its duties and liabilities, with respect to any taxes or other charges that they may be required to deduct or withhold from payments in respect of such Notes under any present or future law or regulation of the United States and any other applicable jurisdiction, or any present or future law or regulation of any political subdivision thereof or taxing authority therein or to comply with any reporting or other requirements under any such law or regulation. The Co-Issuers shall not be obligated to pay any additional amounts to the Holders of beneficial owners of the Notes as a result of deduction or withholding for or on account of any present or future taxes, duties, assessments or governmental charges with respect to the Notes. Nothing herein shall be construed to obligate the Paying Agent to determine the duties or liabilities of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other paying agent with respect to any tax certification or withholding requirements, or any tax certification or withholding requirements of any jurisdiction, political subdivision or taxing authority outside the United States.
- (e) Payments in respect of interest on and principal of any Secured Note and any payment with respect to any Subordinated Note shall be made by the Trustee in Dollars to DTC or its designee with respect to a Global Note and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Note, by wire transfer, as directed by the Holder, in immediately available funds to a Dollar account maintained by DTC or its nominee with respect to a Global Note, and to the Holder or its nominee with respect to a Certificated Note; *provided* that in the case of a Certificated Note, the Holder thereof shall have provided written wiring instructions to the Trustee on or before the related Record Date. Upon final payment due on the Maturity of a Note, the Holder thereof shall present and surrender such Note at the Corporate Trust Office of the Trustee or at the office of any Paying Agent on or prior to such Maturity; *provided* that if the Trustee and the Applicable Issuers shall have been furnished such security or indemnity as may be required by them to save each of them harmless and an undertaking thereafter to surrender such certificate, then, in the absence of notice to the Applicable Issuers or the Trustee that the applicable Note has been acquired by a protected purchaser, such final payment shall be made

without presentation or surrender. Neither the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager nor any Paying Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any aspects of the records maintained by DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream or any of the Agent Members relating to or for payments made thereby on account of beneficial interests in a Global Note. In the case where any final payment of principal and interest is to be made on any Secured Note (other than on the Stated Maturity thereof) or any final payment is to be made on any Subordinated Note (other than on the Stated Maturity thereof), the Trustee, in the name and at the expense of the Applicable Issuers shall prior to the date on which such payment is to be made, mail (by first class mail, postage prepaid) to the Persons entitled thereto at their addresses appearing on the Register a notice which shall specify the date on which such payment shall be made, the amount of such payment per U.S.\$1,000 original principal amount of Secured Notes, original principal amount of Subordinated Notes and the place where such Notes may be presented and surrendered for such payment.

- (f) Payments of principal to Holders of the Secured Notes of each Class shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes of such Class registered in the name of each such Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Secured Notes of such Class on such Record Date. Payments to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes of each Class from Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds shall be made in the proportion that the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Subordinated Notes of such Class registered in the name of each such Holder on the applicable Record Date bears to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of all Subordinated Notes of such Class on such Record Date.
- (g) Interest accrued with respect to the Floating Rate Notes shall be calculated on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Notional Accrual Period or Interest Accrual Period divided by 360. Interest accrued with respect to any Fixed Rate Notes shall be calculated on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months.
- (h) All reductions in the principal amount of Notes (or one or more predecessor Notes) effected by payments of installments of principal made on any Payment Date or Redemption Date shall be binding upon all future Holders of such Notes and of any Notes issued upon the registration of transfer thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, whether or not such payment is noted on such Notes.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the obligations of the Applicable Issuers under the Notes and this Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Applicable Issuers payable solely from the Assets in accordance with the Priority of Payments and following realization of the Assets, and application of the proceeds thereof in accordance with this Indenture, all obligations of and any claims against the Co-Issuers hereunder or in connection herewith after such realization shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. No recourse shall be had against any Officer, director, manager, member, employee, shareholder, authorized person, organizer or incorporator of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager or their respective Affiliates, successors or assigns for any amounts payable under the Notes or this Indenture. It is understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not (a) prevent recourse to the Assets for the sums due or to become due under any security,

instrument or agreement which is part of the Assets or (b) constitute a waiver, release or discharge of any indebtedness or obligation evidenced by the Notes or secured by this Indenture until such Assets have been realized. It is further understood that the foregoing provisions of this paragraph (i) shall not limit the right of any Person to name the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as a party defendant in any Proceeding or in the exercise of any other remedy under the Notes or this Indenture, so long as no judgment in the nature of a deficiency judgment or seeking personal liability shall be asked for or (if obtained) enforced against any such Person or entity. The Subordinated Notes are not secured hereunder.

(j) Subject to the foregoing provisions of this <u>Section 2.7</u>, each Note delivered under this Indenture and upon registration of transfer of or in exchange for or in lieu of any other Note shall carry the rights to unpaid interest and principal (or other applicable amount) that were carried by such other Note.

Section 2.8 <u>Persons Deemed Owners</u>. The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall treat as the owner of each Note the Person in whose name such Note is registered on the Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of and interest on such Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not such Note is overdue), and none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

Section 2.9 <u>Surrendered Notes; Cancellation</u>. All Notes surrendered for payment, registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or mutilated, defaced or deemed lost or stolen, shall be promptly cancelled by the Trustee and may not be reissued or resold. No Notes shall be authenticated in lieu of or in exchange for any Notes cancelled as provided in this <u>Section 2.9</u>, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture. All cancelled Notes held by the Trustee shall be destroyed or held by the Trustee in accordance with its standard retention policy unless the Applicable Issuers shall direct by an Issuer Order received prior to destruction that they be returned to it. No Note may be surrendered (including in connection with any abandonment, donation, gift, contribution or other event or circumstance) except for payment as provided herein, or for registration of transfer, exchange or redemption, or for replacement in connection with any Note mutilated, defaced or deemed lost or stolen.

Section 2.10 <u>Issuer Purchases of Secured Notes</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may conduct purchases of the Secured Notes during the Reinvestment Period, in whole or in part, in accordance with, and subject to, the terms and conditions set forth below. Notwithstanding the provisions of this Indenture described under <u>Section 10.2</u> or <u>Section 10.3(g)</u>, Principal Proceeds in the Collection Account and amounts designated for such purpose from the Permitted Use Account in accordance with the definition of "Permitted Use" may be disbursed for purchases of Secured Notes in accordance with the provisions described in this <u>Section 2.10</u>. The Trustee shall (i) in the case of Certificated Secured Notes, cancel as described under <u>Section 2.9</u> any such purchased Notes surrendered to it for cancellation or (ii) in the case of any Global Secured Notes, decrease the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Global Secured Notes in its records

by the full par amount of the purchased Secured Notes, and instruct DTC or its nominee, as the case may be, to conform its records.

No purchases of Secured Notes may occur unless each of the following conditions is satisfied:

- (a) (i) subject to subclause (ii) below, such purchases shall occur in sequential order of priority beginning with the Class A-1 Notes;
 - (ii) (A) each such purchase of any Class is made pursuant to an offer made to all Holders of the Notes of such Class, by notice to such Holders, which notice specifies the purchase price (as a percentage of par) at which such purchase shall be effected, the maximum amount of Principal Proceeds and/or funds from the Permitted Use Account that shall be used to effect such purchase and the length of the period during which such offer shall be open for acceptance, (B) each such Holder shall have the right, but not the obligation, to accept such offer in accordance with its terms, and (C) if the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the relevant Class held by Holders who accept such offer exceeds the amount of Principal Proceeds and/or funds from the Permitted Use Account specified in such offer, a portion of such Secured Notes of each accepting Holder shall be purchased *pro rata* based on the respective principal amount held by each such Holder;
 - (iii) each such purchase is effected only at prices equal to or discounted from par;
 - (iv) each such purchase occurs during the Reinvestment Period and shall be effected with Principal Proceeds and/or amounts designated for such purpose from the Permitted Use Account in accordance with the definition of "Permitted Use";
 - (v) no Event of Default has occurred and be continuing;
 - (vi) any Certificated Secured Notes to be purchased shall be surrendered to the Trustee for cancellation;
 - (vii) each Coverage Test is (A) satisfied immediately prior to each such purchase, and (B) maintained or improved immediately after giving effect to such purchase;
 - (viii) each such purchase shall otherwise be conducted in accordance with applicable law; and
 - (ix) with respect to each such purchase, notice has been provided to the Rating Agency; and
- (b) the Trustee has received an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager to the effect that the conditions in the foregoing subsection (a) have been satisfied.

The Issuer reserves the right to cancel any offer to purchase Secured Notes prior to finalizing such offer.

Section 2.11 <u>DTC Ceases to Be Depository</u>. (a) A Global Note deposited with DTC pursuant to <u>Section 2.2</u> shall be transferred in the form of a corresponding Certificated Note to the beneficial owners thereof only if (A) such transfer complies with <u>Section 2.5</u> of this Indenture and (B) any of (x) (i) DTC notifies the Applicable Issuers that it is unwilling or unable to continue as depository for such Global Note or (ii) DTC ceases to be a Clearing Agency registered under the Exchange Act and, in each case, a successor depository is not appointed by the Co-Issuers within 90 days after such event, or (y) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and such transfer is requested by any beneficial owner of an interest in such Global Note.

- (b) Any Global Note that is transferable in the form of a corresponding Certificated Note to the beneficial owner thereof pursuant to this Section 2.11 shall be surrendered by DTC to the Trustee's office located in the applicable Corporate Trust Office to be so transferred, in whole or from time to time in part, without charge, and the Applicable Issuers shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, upon such transfer of each portion of such Global Note, an equal aggregate principal amount of definitive physical certificates (pursuant to the instructions of DTC) in authorized denominations. Any Certificated Note delivered in exchange for an interest in a Global Note shall, except as otherwise provided by Section 2.5, bear the legends set forth in the applicable Exhibit A and shall be subject to the transfer restrictions referred to in such legends.
- (c) Subject to the provisions of <u>subsection (b)</u> of this <u>Section 2.11</u>, the Holder of a Global Note may grant proxies and otherwise authorize any Person, including Agent Members and Persons that may hold interests through Agent Members, to take any action which such Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Notes.
- (d) In the event of the occurrence of any of the events specified in <u>subsection</u> (a) of this <u>Section 2.11</u>, the Co-Issuers shall promptly make available to the Trustee a reasonable supply of Certificated Notes.

If Certificated Notes are not so issued by the Applicable Issuers to such beneficial owners of interests in Global Notes as required by <u>subsection (a)</u> of this <u>Section 2.11</u>, the Issuer expressly acknowledges that the beneficial owners shall be entitled to pursue any remedy that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to pursue in accordance with <u>Article V</u> of this Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note) as if corresponding Certificated Notes had been issued; *provided* that the Trustee shall be entitled to rely upon any certificate of ownership provided by such beneficial owners (including a certificate in the form of <u>Exhibit C</u>) and/or other forms of reasonable evidence of such ownership. In addition, the beneficial owners of interest in Global Notes may provide (and the Trustee may receive and rely on) consents to the Trustee that the Holders of a Global Note would be entitled to provide in accordance with this Indenture (but only to the extent of such beneficial owner's interest in the Global Note, as applicable).

Neither the Trustee nor the Registrar shall be liable for any delay in the delivery of directions from DTC and may conclusively rely on, and shall be fully protected in relying on, such direction as to the names of the beneficial owners in whose names such Certificated Notes shall be registered or as to delivery instructions for such Certificated Notes.

Section 2.12 <u>Non-Permitted Holders</u>. (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of a beneficial interest in any Notes to a U.S. person that is not a QIB/QP shall be null and void and any such purported transfer of which the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall have notice may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes. In addition, the acquisition of Notes by a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder shall be null and void *ab initio*.

If (x) any U.S. person (other than a Permitted IAI, with respect to Subordinated Notes in the form of Certificated Notes-sold on the Closing Date) that is not a QIB/QP (or a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (other than a trust, except as otherwise agreed to by the Issuer), each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is a Qualified Purchaser) shall become the Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Note, (y) any Holder of Notes shall fail to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations or (z) any Holder of Notes is a Non-Permitted Tax Holder (any such Person described in clauses (x), (y) or (z) above, a "Non-Permitted Holder"), the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall (but with respect to clause (y), may), promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted Holder by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee (or upon notice to the Issuer from the Trustee if a Trust Officer of the Trustee obtains actual knowledge or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer, if either of them makes the discovery (who, in each case, agree to notify the Issuer of such discovery, if any)), send notice to such Non-Permitted Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted Holder transfer its interest in the Notes held by such person to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted Holder within 30 days (or, in the case of a Non-Permitted Tax Holder, ten (10) days) after the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted Holder fails to so transfer such Notes, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager acting for the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted Holder, to sell such Notes or interest in such Notes to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager acting on behalf of the Issuer, may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes and sell such Notes to the highest such bidder; provided that the Portfolio Manager, its Affiliates and accounts, funds, clients or portfolios established and controlled by the Portfolio Manager shall be entitled to bid in any such sale. However, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note, the Non-Permitted Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted Holder, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes, agrees to cooperate with the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this sub-section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the

Co-Issuer, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

- (c) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary elsewhere in this Indenture, any transfer of a Note (or any interest therein) to a Person who has made an ERISA-related representation required by Section 2.5 that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation shall be null and void and any such purported transfer may be disregarded by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Trustee for all purposes.
- (d) If any Person shall become the beneficial owner of any Note (or any interest therein) who has made or is deemed to have made a prohibited transaction, Benefit Plan Investor, Controlling Person, Similar Law or Other Plan Law representation required by Section 2.5 that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (any such Person, a "Non-Permitted ERISA Holder"), the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall, promptly after discovery that such person is a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder by the Issuer (or upon notice to the Issuer from the Trustee if a Trust Officer of the Trustee obtains actual knowledge or the Co-Issuer to the Issuer if it makes the discovery), send notice to such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder demanding that such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder transfer such Note (or its interest therein) to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within ten (10) days after the date of such notice. If such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder fails to so transfer such Note (or its interest therein), the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, to sell such Non-Permitted ERISA Holder's Note (or its interest therein) to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose. The Issuer may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes and selling such Note (or interest therein) to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer may select a purchaser by other means determined by it in its sole discretion. The Holder of each Note (or interest therein), the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder and each other Person in the chain of title from the Holder to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder, by its acceptance of the Note (or any interest therein), agrees to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers. The proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to the Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. The terms and conditions of any sale under this subsection shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager shall be liable to any Person having an interest in the Notes sold as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.

Section 2.13 <u>Taxes</u>. (a) Each Holder (including, for purposes of this <u>Section 2.13</u>, any beneficial owner of an interest in a Note) agrees or will be deemed to have represented and agreed to treat the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Notes as described in the "Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" section of the Offering Circular for all U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes and will take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless required by law, it being understood that this paragraph shall not prevent a holder of Class E

Notes from making a protective "qualified electing fund" election or protective information returns.

- Each Holder will timely furnish the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, or (b) any agent of the Issuer any tax forms or certifications (such as an applicable IRS Form W-8 with appropriate attachments, IRS Form W-9, or any successors to such IRS forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request (A) to permit the Issuer or its agents to make payments to it without, or at a reduced rate of, deduction or withholding, (B) to enable the Issuer or its agents to qualify for a reduced rate of withholding or deduction in any jurisdiction from or through which the Issuer or its agents receive payments, and (C) to enable the Issuer or its agents to satisfy reporting and other obligations under the Code and Treasury regulations and under any other applicable laws, and shall update or replace such documentation, agreements, information, or certifications as appropriate or in accordance with their terms or subsequent amendments thereto. It acknowledges that the failure to provide, update or replace any such documentation, agreements, information, or certifications may result in the imposition of withholding or back-up withholding upon payments to such Holder. Amounts withheld by the Issuer or its agents that are, in their sole judgment, required to be withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws will be treated as having been paid to the Holder by the Issuer.
- Each purchaser, beneficial owner and subsequent transferee agrees (A) to obtain and provide the Issuer and the Trustee (including their agents and representatives) with information or documentation, and to update or correct such information or documentation, as may be necessary or helpful (in the sole determination of the Issuer or the Trustee or their agents or representatives, as applicable) to achieve FATCA Compliance or that is required under Bermuda FATCA Legislation (as amended from time to time) or for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance (the obligations undertaken pursuant to this clause (A), the "Holder Reporting **Obligations**"), (B) that the Issuer and/or the Trustee or their agents or representatives may (1) provide such information and documentation and any other information concerning its investment in such Notes to the Bermuda Ministry of Finance, to the IRS and any other relevant tax or regulatory authority and (2) take such other steps as they deem necessary or helpful to achieve FATCA Compliance, compliance with the Bermuda FATCA Legislation and for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance, including withholding on "passthru payments" (as defined in the Code), and (C) that if it fails for any reason to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations or otherwise is or becomes a Non-Permitted Tax Holder, the Issuer will have the right, in addition to withholding on passthru payments, to (1) compel it to sell its interest in such Notes, (2) sell such interest on its behalf in accordance with the procedures specified in Section 2.12(b) and/or (3) assign to such Notes a separate CUSIP or CUSIPs, and, in the case of this subclause (3), to deposit payments on such Notes into a tax reserve account, which amounts will be either (x) released to the Holder of such Notes at such time that the Issuer determines that the Holder of such Notes complies with its Holder Reporting Obligations and is not otherwise a Non-Permitted Tax Holder or (y) released to pay costs related to such noncompliance (including Taxes imposed by FATCA); provided, that any unallocated amounts remaining in a tax reserve account will be released to the applicable Holder (a) on the date of final payment for the Class (or as soon as reasonably practical thereafter) or (b) at the request of the applicable Holder on any Business Day after such Holder has certified to the Issuer and the Trustee that it no longer

holds an interest in any Notes. Any amounts deposited into a tax reserve account in respect of Notes held by a Non-Permitted Tax Holder shall be treated for all purposes under this Indenture as if such amounts had been paid directly to the Holder of such Notes. Each purchaser, beneficial owner and subsequent transferee agrees to indemnify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee and other beneficial owners of Notes for all damages, costs and expenses that result from its failure to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations. This indemnification will continue even after it ceases to have an ownership interest in such Notes.

- With respect to any period during which any Holder of Subordinated Notes owns more than 50% of the Subordinated Notes by value, or during which any Holder of the Subordinated Notes is otherwise treated as a member of the Issuer's "expanded affiliated group" (as defined in Treasury regulations section 1.1471-5(i)), such Holder must represent that it will (i) cause any member of such expanded affiliated group (assuming that the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary are "participating FFIs" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-4(e)) that is treated as a "foreign financial institution" within the meaning of Section 1471(d)(4) of the Code and any Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder to be either a "participating FFI", a "registered deemed-compliant FFI" or an "exempt beneficial owner" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-4(e), and (ii) promptly notify the Issuer in the event that any member of such expanded affiliated group that is treated as a "foreign financial institution" within the meaning of Section 1471(d)(4) of the Code and any Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder is not either a "participating FFI", a "registered deemed-compliant FFI" or an "exempt beneficial owner" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-4(e), in each case except to the extent that the Issuer or its agents have provided such Holder with an express waiver of this provision.
- Each Holder of Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes, if it is not a United States person (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), by acceptance of its Note shall be deemed to represent that it either: (A) is not a bank (within the meaning of Section 881 of the Code) or an affiliate of a bank; (B) if a bank (within the meaning of Section 881 of the Code), after giving effect to its purchase of the Class E Notes or Subordinated Notes (as applicable), (x) will not directly or indirectly own more than 33-1/3%, by value, of the aggregate of the Notes within such Class and any other Notes that are ranked pari passu with or are subordinated to such Notes, and will not otherwise be related to the Issuer (within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.881-3) and (y) has not purchased the Notes in whole or in part to avoid any U.S. federal income tax liability (including, without limitation, any U.S. withholding tax that would be imposed on payments on the Collateral Obligations if the Collateral Obligations were held directly by the purchaser, beneficial owner or subsequent transferee); (C) has provided an IRS Form W-8ECI representing that all payments received or to be received by it from the Issuer are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States; or (D) has provided an IRS Form W-8BEN-E representing that it is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of U.S. source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
- (f) No purchaser, beneficial owner or subsequent transferee of a Subordinated Note shall treat any income with respect to its Subordinated Notes as derived in connection with

the Issuer's active conduct of a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business for purposes of Section 954(h)(2) of the Code.

Section 2.14 <u>Additional Issuance</u>. (a) At any time during the Reinvestment Period (or, with respect to an issuance of Junior Mezzanine Notes and/or Subordinated Notes, at any time), the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, may issue and sell or borrow additional debt of any one or more new classes of debt that are subordinated to the existing Secured Notes (or to the most junior class of securities of the Issuer (other than the Subordinated Notes) issued pursuant to this Indenture, if any class of debt issued or incurred pursuant to this Indenture other than the Secured Notes and the Subordinated Notes is then Outstanding) ("Junior Mezzanine Notes") and/or additional debt of each of the existing Classes (subject, in the case of additional notes of an existing Class of Secured Notes, to clause (v) below); provided that the following conditions are met:

- (i) the Portfolio Manager consents to such issuance and such issuance is consented to by a Majority of the Subordinated Notes;
- (ii) in the case of additional debt of any one or more existing Classes (other than the Subordinated Notes and Junior Mezzanine Notes) or any additional debt that will be paid *pari passu* with one or more existing Classes (other than the Subordinated Notes and Junior Mezzanine Notes), such issuance is consented to by a Majority of the Controlling Class;
- (iii) in the case of additional debt of any one or more existing Classes (other than the Subordinated Notes or Junior Mezzanine Notes), the aggregate principal amount of Secured Notes of such Class issued in all additional issuances shall not exceed 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes of such Class on the Closing Date;
- (iv) in the case of additional debt of any one or more existing Classes, the terms of the debt issued must be identical to the respective terms of previously issued Notes of the applicable Class (except that the interest due on additional Secured Notes shall accrue from the issue date of such additional Secured Notes and the interest rate and the price of such Notes does not have to be identical to that of the initial Notes of such Class, *provided* that (x) the interest rate on such notes that are Secured Notes may not exceed the interest rate applicable to the initial Notes of such Class and (y) if such Class is a Class of Floating Rate Notes that are Secured Notes, such additional debt must also be Floating Rate Notes and have a floating rate based on the same benchmark rate as the initial Notes of such Class);
- (v) in the case of the issuance of Junior Mezzanine Notes, the Initial Purchaser consents to such additional issuance;
- (vi) such additional debt that are Secured Notes must be issued at a price equal to or greater than the principal amount thereof;

- (vii) in the case of additional securities of any one or more existing Classes, unless only Junior Mezzanine Notes and/or additional Subordinated Notes are being issued, additional debt of all Classes must be issued and such issuance of additional debt must be proportional across all Classes; *provided* that the principal amount of Junior Mezzanine Notes and/or Subordinated Notes issued in any such issuance may exceed the proportion otherwise applicable to the Junior Mezzanine Notes and/or Subordinated Notes;
 - (viii) notice of such issuance has been provided to the Rating Agency;
- (ix) the proceeds of any additional debt (net of fees and expenses incurred in connection with such issuance or incurrence, as applicable, which fees and expenses shall be paid solely from the proceeds of such additional issuance or incurrence) shall not be treated as Refinancing Proceeds and shall be treated as Principal Proceeds and used to purchase additional Collateral Obligations, to invest in Eligible Investments or to apply pursuant to the Priority of Payments (*provided*, *however*, that the proceeds of an issuance solely of Junior Mezzanine Notes and/or additional Subordinated Notes; or any issuance of such Notes in excess of their required *pro rata* share of any such additional issuance or incurrence, may, in the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager, be treated as Interest Proceeds and/or used for Permitted Uses);
- (x) unless only Junior Mezzanine Notes and/or additional Subordinated Notes are being issued, an opinion of tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters shall be delivered to the Issuer and the Trustee to the effect that (A) in the case of additional debt of any one or more existing Classes, such additional issuance or incurrence would not cause the Holders or beneficial owners of any previously issued Notes of any Class that remains Outstanding to be deemed to have sold or exchanged such Notes under Section 1001 of the Code and (B) any additional Class A-1 Notes, Class A-J Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D-1 Notes or Class D-J Notes will be treated, and any additional Class E Notes should be treated, as indebtedness for U.S. federal income tax purposes, *provided*, however, that such opinion of tax counsel described in clause (B) shall not be required with respect to any additional Notes that bear a different CUSIP number (or equivalent identifier) from the Notes of the same Class that were issued on the Closing Date and are Outstanding at the time of the additional issuance;
- (xi) immediately after giving effect to such issuance, either (i) each Coverage Test is maintained or improved or (ii) both the S&P Rating Condition shall have been satisfied:
- (xii) such issuance is accomplished in a manner that allows the accountants of the Issuer to accurately provide the tax information relating to original issue discount described in Treasury regulations section 1.1275-3(b)(l)(i) to be provided to the Holders of Secured Notes (including the additional Notes);

- (xiii) no Event of Default has occurred and is continuing; and
- (xiv) an Officer's certificate of the Issuer (and Co-Issuer, if applicable) shall be delivered to the Trustee certifying that all conditions precedent applicable to the issuance of such additional notes under this Indenture, including those requirements set forth in this Section 2.14(a), have been satisfied.
- (b) Any additional debt of an existing Class issued or incurred as described above shall, to the extent reasonably practicable, be offered first to Holders of that Class in such amounts as are necessary to preserve their *pro rata* holdings of Notes of such Class.
 - (c) [Reserved].
- (d) The Retention Holder, at any time in order to prevent (in the determination of the Retention Holder) the EU/UK Retained Interest or the US Retained Interest from falling below the percentage required under the Retention Undertaking Letter or the US Risk Retention Rules, as applicable, may direct the Issuer to issue pursuant to a supplemental indenture additional notes of any Class to the Retention Holder only (an "Additional Retention Holder Issuance"). Any Additional Retention Holder Issuance shall be in an amount up to the greater of (x) the Retention Basis Amount and (y) the amount necessary to comply with the Retention Undertaking Letter or the US Risk Retention Rules or any similar law, as applicable, and shall not require the consent of any other Holder of the Notes; *provided* that (i) the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall provide prior written notice to the Rating Agency of such Additional Retention Holder Issuance and (ii) any such issuance of additional Notes shall be issued at a sales price equal to the principal amount thereof.

ARTICLE III

CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

- Section 3.1 <u>Conditions to Issuance of Notes on Closing Date</u>. (a) The Notes to be issued on the Closing Date may be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:
 - Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers (A) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution and delivery of this Indenture, and in the case of the Issuer, the execution and delivery of the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Account Control Agreement, the Share Transfer Agreement, the Collateral Administration Agreement and related transaction documents and in each case the execution, authentication and (with respect to the Issuer only) delivery of the Notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and Interest Rate of each Class of Secured Notes to be authenticated and delivered and the Stated Maturity, and principal amount of the Subordinated Notes to be authenticated and delivered, (B) certifying that (1) the copy of the Board Resolution attached thereto is a true and complete copy thereof, (2) such Board

Resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force and effect on and as of the Closing Date and (3) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver such Board Resolutions and the documents referred to therein hold the offices and have the signatures indicated thereon.

- (ii) Governmental Approvals. From each of the Co-Issuers either (A) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body or bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of such Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of the Notes or (B) an Opinion of Counsel of such Applicable Issuer that no such authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance of such Notes except as has been given.
- (iii) <u>U.S. Counsel Opinions</u>. Opinions of Allen & Overy LLP, U.S. counsel to the Co-Issuers and counsel to the Initial Purchaser, Sidley Austin LLP, counsel to the Portfolio Manager, Alston & Bird LLP, counsel to the Trustee and Collateral Administrator, each dated the Closing Date.
- (iv) Officers' Certificate of the Co-Issuers Regarding Indenture. An Officer's certificate of each of the Co-Issuers stating that, to the best of the signing Officer's knowledge, the Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance of the Notes applied for by it shall not result in a default or a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject; that all conditions precedent provided in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the Notes applied for by it have been complied with; and that all expenses due or accrued with respect to the Offering of the Offered Securities or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the Closing Date have been paid or reserves therefor have been made. The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that all of its representations and warranties contained herein are true and correct as of the Closing Date.
- (v) <u>Transaction Documents</u>. An executed counterpart of each Transaction Document, a copy of the purchaser representation letter(s) for Certificated Secured Notes relating to the Certificated Secured Notes issued on the Closing Date and a copy of the purchaser representation letters for Subordinated Notes relating to the Subordinated Notes issued on the Closing Date.
- (vi) <u>Certificate of the Portfolio Manager</u>. An Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, to the best knowledge of the Portfolio Manager, each Collateral Obligation which the Issuer has purchased or entered into binding commitments to purchase on or prior to the Closing Date (including

upon completion of the Merger) satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation".

- (vii) <u>Grant of Collateral Obligations</u>. The Grant pursuant to the Granting Clauses of this Indenture of all of the Issuer's right, title and interest in and to the Collateral Obligations pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Assets on the Closing Date shall be effective, and Delivery of such Collateral Obligations (including any promissory note and all other Underlying Instruments related thereto to the extent received by the Issuer) as contemplated by Section 3.3 shall have been effected.
- (viii) <u>Certificate of the Issuer Regarding Assets</u>. A certificate of an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, to the effect that, in the case of each Collateral Obligation pledged to the Trustee for inclusion in the Assets, on the Closing Date and immediately prior to the Delivery thereof (or immediately after Delivery thereof, in the case of clause (V)(ii) below) on the Closing Date;
 - (I) the Issuer is the owner of such Collateral Obligation free and clear of any liens, claims or encumbrances of any nature whatsoever except for (i) those which are being released on the Closing Date, (ii) those Granted pursuant to this Indenture and (iii) any other Permitted Liens;
 - (II) the Issuer has acquired its ownership in such Collateral Obligation in good faith without notice of any adverse claim, except as described in clause (I) above;
 - (III) the Issuer has not assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered any interest in such Collateral Obligation (or, if any such interest has been assigned, pledged or otherwise encumbered, it has been released) other than interests Granted pursuant to this Indenture;
 - (IV) the Issuer has full right to Grant a security interest in and assign and pledge such Collateral Obligation to the Trustee;
 - (V) (i) based on the certificate of the Portfolio Manager delivered pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(vi), each Collateral Obligation included in the Assets satisfies the requirements of the definition of "Collateral Obligation" and (ii) the requirements of Section 3.1(a)(vii) have been satisfied; and
 - (VI) upon Grant by the Issuer, the Trustee has a first priority perfected security interest in the Collateral Obligations and other Assets, except as permitted by this Indenture; and
- (ix) <u>Rating Letters</u>. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer to the effect that the Issuer has received (or attaching thereto true and correct copies of) a letter from the

Rating Agency and confirming that each Class of Secured Notes, as applicable, has been assigned a rating no lower than the applicable Initial Rating and that such ratings are in effect on the Closing Date.

- (x) Accounts. Evidence of the establishment of each of the Accounts.
- (xi) <u>Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts</u>. (A) An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of the amount specified in such Issuer Order from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes into the Ramp-Up Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(c); (B) an Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of the amount specified in such Issuer Order from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes and into the Expense Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(d); (C) an Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of the Interest Reserve Amount from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes into the Interest Reserve Account for use pursuant to Section 10.3(e); and (D) an Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the Closing Date, authorizing the deposit of the amount specified in such Issuer Order from the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes into the Revolver Funding Account for use pursuant to Section 10.4.
- (xii) <u>Bermuda Counsel Opinion</u>. An opinion of Appleby (Bermuda) Limited, Bermuda counsel to the Issuer, dated the Closing Date.
- (xiii) Other Documents. Such other documents as the Trustee may reasonably require; *provided* that nothing in this clause (xiii) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

The Trustee shall be entitled to assume the genuineness of each certificate, instrument, report, opinion and other document described in or delivered pursuant to this <u>Section 3.1</u> (whether by facsimile, photocopy or otherwise reproduced), and to assume the genuineness and due authorization of each signature appearing thereon.

- Section 3.2 <u>Conditions to Additional Issuance</u>. Any additional debt to be issued in accordance with <u>Section 2.14</u> may be executed by the Applicable Issuers and delivered to the Trustee for authentication and thereupon the same shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee upon Issuer Order (setting forth registration, delivery and authentication instructions) and upon receipt by the Trustee of the following:
- (a) Officers' Certificate of the Applicable Issuers Regarding Corporate Matters. An Officer's certificate of each of the Applicable Issuers (i) evidencing the authorization by Board Resolution of the execution, authentication and (with respect to the Issuer only) delivery of the notes applied for by it and specifying the Stated Maturity, principal amount and Interest Rate (if applicable) of the debt to be authenticated and delivered and (ii) certifying that (A) the copy of the Board Resolution attached thereto is a true and complete copy thereof,

- (B) such resolutions have not been rescinded and are in full force and effect on and as of the date of issuance and (C) the Officers authorized to execute and deliver such documents hold the offices and have the signatures indicated thereon.
- (b) Governmental Approvals. From each of the Applicable Issuers either (i) a certificate of the Applicable Issuer or other official document evidencing the due authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body or bodies, at the time having jurisdiction in the premises, together with an Opinion of Counsel of such Applicable Issuer that no other authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance or incurrence, as applicable, of the additional debt or (ii) an Opinion of Counsel of such Applicable Issuer that no such authorization, approval or consent of any governmental body is required for the valid issuance or incurrence, as applicable, of such additional debt except as has been given.
- Officer's certificate of each of the Applicable Issuers Regarding Indenture. An Officer's certificate of each of the Applicable Issuers stating that, to the best of the signing Officer's knowledge, such Applicable Issuer is not in default under this Indenture and that the issuance or incurrence of the additional debt applied for by it shall not result in a default or a breach of any of the terms, conditions or provisions of, or constitute a default under, its organizational documents, any indenture or other agreement or instrument to which it is a party or by which it is bound, or any order of any court or administrative agency entered in any Proceeding to which it is a party or by which it may be bound or to which it may be subject; that the provisions of Section 2.14 and all conditions precedent provided in this Indenture relating to the authentication and delivery of the additional debt applied for by it have been complied with; and that all expenses due or accrued with respect to the offering of such notes or relating to actions taken on or in connection with the additional issuance or incurrence have been paid or reserves therefor have been made. The Officer's certificate of the Issuer shall also state that all of its representations and warranties contained herein are true and correct as of the date of additional issuance or incurrence.
- (d) <u>Supplemental Indenture</u>. A fully executed counterpart of the supplemental indenture making such changes to this Indenture as shall be necessary to permit such additional issuance.
- (e) <u>Rating Agency Notice</u>. Notice shall have been provided to the Rating Agency.
- (f) <u>Issuer Order for Deposit of Funds into Accounts</u>. An Issuer Order signed in the name of the Issuer by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, dated as of the date of the additional issuance, authorizing the deposit of the net proceeds of the issuance into the Principal Collection Subaccount for use pursuant to <u>Section 10.2</u>.
- (g) <u>Evidence of Required Consents</u>. A certificate of the Portfolio Manager consenting to such issuance, and satisfactory evidence of (i) the consent of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes and (ii) if applicable, any other required consent under <u>Section 2.14(a)(ii)</u> to such issuance (which may be in the form of an Officer's certificate of the Issuer).

- (h) <u>Officer's Certificate of the Co-Issuers</u>. An Officer's certificate of the Issuer (or Co-Issuers, if applicable) as required pursuant to <u>Section 2.14(a)(xiii)</u>.
- (i) Other Documents. Such other documents as the Trustee may reasonably require; *provided* that nothing in this clause (i) shall imply or impose a duty on the part of the Trustee to require any other documents.

The Trustee shall be entitled to assume the genuineness of each certificate, instrument, report, opinion and other document described in or delivered pursuant to this <u>Section 3.2</u>, and to assume the genuineness and due authorization of each signature appearing thereon.

- Custodianship; Delivery of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Section 3.3 Investments. (a) The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver or cause to be delivered to a custodian appointed by the Issuer (provided that such custodian has (i) a CR Assessment of at least "A3 (cr)" by Moody's (or, if such institution does not have a CR Assessment, either has (1) a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "A3" from Moody's or (2) a short-term rating of "P-1" from Moody's) and (ii) either (1) a long-term debt rating of at least "A" by S&P or (2) a long-term issuer rating of at least "A-" by S&P or a short-term issuer rating of at least "A-1" by S&P), which shall be a Securities Intermediary (the "Custodian") or to the Trustee, as applicable, all Assets in accordance with the definition of "Deliver." Initially, the Custodian shall be U.S. Bank National Association. If at any time the Custodian fails to satisfy these requirements, the Issuer shall appoint a successor Custodian within 30 calendar days that is able to satisfy such requirements. Any successor Custodian shall, in addition to satisfying the above requirements, be a state or national bank or trust company that has capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000 and is a Securities Intermediary. Subject to the limited right to relocate Assets as provided in Section 7.5(b), the Trustee or the Custodian, as applicable, shall hold (i) all Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments, Cash and other investments purchased in accordance with this Indenture and (ii) any other property of the Issuer otherwise Delivered to the Trustee or the Custodian, as applicable, by or on behalf of the Issuer, in the relevant Account established and maintained pursuant to Article X; as to which in each case the Trustee shall have entered into the Account Control Agreement with the Custodian providing, inter alia, that the establishment and maintenance of such Account shall be governed by a law of a jurisdiction satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee.
- (b) Each time that the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer directs or causes the acquisition of any Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other investment, the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) shall, if the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other investment is required to be, but has not already been, transferred to the relevant Account, cause the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other investment to be Delivered to the Custodian to be held in the Custodial Account (or in the case of any such investment that is not a Collateral Obligation, in the Account in which the funds used to purchase the investment are held in accordance with Article X, or, as applicable, the account of the related Issuer Subsidiary) for the benefit of the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture. The security interest of the Trustee in the funds or other property used in connection with the acquisition shall, immediately and without further action on the part of the Trustee, be released.

The security interest of the Trustee shall nevertheless come into existence and continue in the Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other investment so acquired, including all interests of the Issuer in any contracts related to and proceeds of such Collateral Obligation, Eligible Investment or other investment.

ARTICLE IV

SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE

Section 4.1 <u>Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture</u>. This Indenture shall be discharged and shall cease to be of further effect except as to (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange, (ii) substitution of mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Notes, (iii) rights of Holders to receive payments of principal thereof and interest thereon, (iv) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Trustee (in each of its capacities hereunder) hereunder, (v) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Portfolio Manager hereunder and under the Portfolio Management Agreement, (vi) the rights, obligations and immunities of the Collateral Administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement, (vii) [reserved] and (viii) the rights of Holders as beneficiaries hereof with respect to the property deposited with the Trustee and payable to all or any of them (and the Trustee, on demand of and at the expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture) when:

(a) either:

- (i) all Secured Notes theretofore authenticated and delivered to Holders (other than (A) Secured Notes which have been mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.6 and (B) Secured Notes for whose payment Money has theretofore irrevocably been deposited in trust and thereafter repaid to the Issuer or discharged from such trust, as provided in Section 7.3) have been delivered to the Trustee for cancellation; or
- (ii) all Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation (A) have become due and payable, or (B) shall become due and payable at their Stated Maturity within one year, or (C) are to be called for redemption or prepayment pursuant to Article IX under an arrangement satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption by the Applicable Issuers pursuant to Section 9.4 and the Issuer has irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee, in trust for such purpose, Cash or non-callable direct obligations of the United States of America; provided that the obligations are entitled to the full faith and credit of the United States of America or are debt obligations which are rated "Aaa" by Moody's and "AAA" by S&P, in an amount sufficient, as recalculated in an agreed-upon procedures report by a firm of Independent certified public accountants which are nationally recognized, to pay and discharge the entire indebtedness on such Notes not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, for principal and interest to the date of such deposit (in the case of Notes which have become due and payable), or to their Stated Maturity or Redemption Date, as the case may be, and shall have Granted to the Trustee a valid perfected security interest

in such Eligible Investment that is of first priority or free of any adverse claim, as applicable, and shall have furnished to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel with respect thereto, it being understood that the requirements of this <u>clause (a)</u> may be satisfied as set forth in <u>Section 5.7</u>; or

- (iii) the Issuer has paid or caused to be paid all other sums then due and payable hereunder (including, without limitation, any amounts then due and payable pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Portfolio Management Agreement, in each case, without regard to the Administrative Expense Cap) by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be due and payable by the Issuer, it being understood that the requirements of this <u>clause (iii)</u> may be satisfied as set forth in Section 5.7.
- (b) the Issuer has paid or caused to be paid all other sums then due and payable hereunder (including, without limitation, any amounts then due and payable pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement and the Portfolio Management Agreement, in each case, without regard to the Administrative Expense Cap) by the Issuer and no other amounts are scheduled to be due and payable by the Issuer, it being understood that the requirements of this clause (b) may be satisfied as set forth in Section 5.7; and
- (c) the Co-Issuers have delivered to the Trustee, Officers' certificates from the Portfolio Manager and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent herein provided for relating to the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture have been complied with; *provided* that, upon the final distribution of all proceeds of any liquidation of the Assets effected under this Indenture, the foregoing requirement shall be deemed satisfied for the purpose of discharging this Indenture upon delivery to the Trustee of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager stating that it has determined in its discretion that the Issuer's affairs have been wound up.

In connection with delivery by each of the Co-Issuers of the Officer's certificate referred to above, the Trustee shall confirm to the Co-Issuers that, to its knowledge, (i) there are no pledged Collateral Obligations that remain subject to the lien of this Indenture, and (ii) all funds on deposit in the Accounts have been distributed in accordance with the terms of this Indenture (including the Priority of Payments) or have otherwise been irrevocably deposited in trust with the Trustee for such purpose.

Notwithstanding the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture, the rights and obligations of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and, if applicable, the Holders, as the case may be, under Sections 2.7, 4.2, 5.4(d), 5.9, 5.18, 6.1, 6.3, 6.6, 6.7, 7.1, 7.3, 13.1 and 14.16 shall survive.

Section 4.2 <u>Application of Trust Money</u>. All Cash and obligations deposited with the Trustee pursuant to <u>Section 4.1</u> shall be held in trust and applied by it in accordance with the provisions of the Notes and this Indenture, including, without limitation, the Priority of Payments, to the payment of principal and interest (or other amounts with respect to the Subordinated Notes), either directly or through any Paying Agent, as the Trustee may determine;

and such Cash and obligations, held for the benefit of the Secured Parties shall be held in a segregated account identified as being held in trust for the benefit of the Secured Parties that satisfies the requirements set forth in Section 10.1.

Section 4.3 <u>Repayment of Monies Held by Paying Agent</u>. In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to the Notes, all Monies then held by any Paying Agent other than the Trustee under the provisions of this Indenture shall, upon demand of the Co-Issuers, be paid to the Trustee to be held and applied pursuant to <u>Section 7.3</u> hereof and in accordance with the Priority of Payments and thereupon such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such Monies.

ARTICLE V

REMEDIES

- Section 5.1 <u>Events of Default</u>. "Event of Default," wherever used herein, means any one of the following events (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):
- a default in the payment, when due and payable, of (i) any interest on any Class A-1 Note or, if there are no Class A-1 Notes Outstanding, any Class A-J Notes or, if there are no Class A-1 Notes or Class A-J Notes Outstanding, any Class B Note, or, if there are no Class A-1 Notes, Class A-J Notes or Class B Notes Outstanding, any Class C Note or, if there are no Class A-1 Notes, Class A-J Notes, Class B Notes or Class C Notes Outstanding, any Class D-1 Note or, if there are no Class A-1 Notes, Class A-J Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes or Class D-1 Notes Outstanding, any Class D-J Note or, if there are no Class A-1 Notes, Class A-J Notes, Class B Notes, Class C Notes, Class D-1 or Class D-J Notes Outstanding, any Class E Note and, in each case, the continuation of any such default for five (5) Business Days, or (ii) any principal of, or interest (or Deferred Interest) on, or any Redemption Price in respect of, any Secured Notes at its Stated Maturity or any Redemption Date, and, in each case, the continuation of such default for five (5) Business Days; provided that, in the case of a failure to disburse due to an administrative error or omission by the Portfolio Manager, Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any Paying Agent, such failure continues for five (5) Business Days after a Trust Officer of the Trustee receives written notice or has actual knowledge of such administrative error or omission; provided, further, that the failure to effect any Optional Redemption or Tax Redemption (x) for which notice is withdrawn in accordance with this Indenture or, (y) in the case of an Optional Redemption, to be effected with the proceeds of a Refinancing or Sale Proceeds which fails, shall not constitute an Event of Default;
- (b) unless such failure results solely from an administrative error or omission or is due to another non-credit related reason (as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion), the failure on any Payment Date to disburse amounts available in the Payment Account in accordance with the Priority of Payments (other than in the case of clause (a) above) and continuation of such failure for a period of five (5) Business Days or, in the case of a failure

to disburse due to an administrative error or omission by the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any Paying Agent, such failure continues for five (5) Business Days after a Trust Officer of the Trustee receives written notice or has actual knowledge of such administrative error or omission;

- (c) either of the Co-Issuers or the Assets becomes an investment company required to be registered under the Investment Company Act;
- except as otherwise provided in this Section 5.1, a default in the performance by, or breach of any covenant of, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under this Indenture (it being understood, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, that any failure to meet any Concentration Limitation, Collateral Quality Test or Coverage Test or the Interest Diversion Test is not an Event of Default and any failure to satisfy the requirements of Section 7.18 or other covenants or agreements for which a specific remedy has been provided under this Indenture is not an Event of Default, except in either case to the extent provided in clause (g) below, and any failure to provide notice of a Material Change pursuant to Schedule 5 hereto is not an Event of Default), or the failure of any representation or warranty of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer made in this Indenture or in any certificate or other writing delivered pursuant hereto or in connection with this Indenture, to be correct in each case in all material respects when the same shall have been made, and the continuation of such default, breach or failure for a period of 45 days after notice to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, and the Portfolio Manager by registered or certified mail or overnight courier, by the Trustee, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, or to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee at the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, specifying such default, breach or failure and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder;
- (e) the entry of a decree or order by a court having competent jurisdiction adjudging the Issuer or the Co-Issuer as bankrupt or insolvent, or approving as properly filed a petition seeking reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition of or in respect of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable law, or appointing a receiver, liquidator, assignee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or of any substantial part of its property, respectively, or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, respectively, and the continuance of any such decree or order unstayed and in effect for a period of 60 consecutive days;
- (f) the institution by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of Proceedings to have the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent, or the consent of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the institution of bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, or the filing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of a petition or answer or consent seeking reorganization or relief under the Bankruptcy Law or any other similar applicable law, or the consent by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer to the filing of any such petition or to the appointment in a Proceeding of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, trustee or sequestrator (or other similar official) of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any substantial part of its property, respectively, or the making by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer of an assignment for the

benefit of creditors, or the admission by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in writing of its inability to pay its debts generally as they become due; or

(g) on any Measurement Date after the Effective Date, failure of the percentage equivalent of a fraction, (i) the numerator of which is equal to (1) the sum of (A) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations (other than Defaulted Obligations) and (B) without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Collection Account and the Ramp-Up Account (including Eligible Investments therein) representing Principal Proceeds *plus* (2) the aggregate Market Value of all Defaulted Obligations on such date and (ii) the denominator of which is equal to the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Class A Notes, to equal or exceed 102.5%.

Upon obtaining knowledge of the occurrence of an Event of Default (in the case of (x) the Portfolio Manager, by a Responsible Officer and (y) the Trustee, by a Trust Officer), each of (i) the Co-Issuers, (ii) the Trustee and (iii) the Portfolio Manager shall notify each other. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default known to a Trust Officer of the Trustee, the Trustee shall, not later than three Business Days thereafter, notify the Noteholders (as their names appear on the Register), each Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer (and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Issuer shall notify the Rating Agency) of such Event of Default in writing (unless such Event of Default has been waived as provided in Section 5.14).

Section 5.2 Acceleration of Maturity; Rescission and Annulment. (a) If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing (other than an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e) or (f)), the Trustee may, and shall, upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, by notice to the Co-Issuer, the Issuer (subject to Section 14.3(c), which notice the Issuer shall provide to the Rating Agency then rating a Class of Secured Notes) and the Portfolio Manager, declare the principal of and accrued interest on all the Secured Notes to be immediately due and payable, and upon any such declaration such principal, together with all accrued and unpaid interest thereon, and other amounts payable hereunder, shall become immediately due and payable. If an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(e) or (f) occurs, all unpaid principal, together with all accrued and unpaid interest thereon, of all the Secured Notes, and other amounts payable thereunder and hereunder, shall automatically become due and payable without any declaration or other act on the part of the Trustee or any Noteholder.

- (b) At any time after such a declaration of acceleration of maturity has been made and before a judgment or decree for payment of the Money due has been obtained by the Trustee as hereinafter provided in this <u>Article V</u>, a Majority of the Controlling Class by written notice to the Issuer and the Trustee (who shall forward such notice to the Rating Agency), may rescind and annul such declaration and its consequences if:
 - (i) The Issuer or the Co-Issuer has paid or deposited with the Trustee a sum sufficient to pay:

- (A) all unpaid installments of interest and principal then due on the Secured Notes (other than any principal amounts due to the occurrence of an acceleration);
- (B) to the extent that the payment of such interest is lawful, interest upon any Deferred Interest at the applicable Interest Rate; and
- (C) all unpaid taxes and Administrative Expenses of the Co-Issuers and other sums paid or advanced by the Trustee hereunder or by the Collateral Administrator under the Collateral Administration Agreement or hereunder, accrued and unpaid Portfolio Management Fees and any other amounts then payable by the Co-Issuers hereunder prior to such Administrative Expenses and such Portfolio Management Fees; and
- (ii) It has been determined that all Events of Default, other than the nonpayment of the interest on or principal of the Secured Notes that has become due solely by such acceleration, have (A) been cured, or (B) been waived as provided in Section 5.14.

No such rescission shall affect any subsequent Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

Section 5.3 <u>Collection of Indebtedness and Suits for Enforcement by Trustee.</u> The Applicable Issuers covenant that if a default shall occur in respect of the payment of any principal of or interest when due and payable on any Secured Notes, the Applicable Issuers shall, upon demand of the Trustee, pay to the Trustee, for the benefit of the Holder of such Secured Notes, the whole amount, if any, then due and payable on such Secured Notes for principal and interest with interest upon the overdue principal and, to the extent that payments of such interest shall be legally enforceable, upon overdue installments of interest, at the applicable Interest Rate, and, in addition thereto, such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including the reasonable compensation, expenses, disbursements and advances of the Trustee and its agents and counsel.

If the Issuer or the Co-Issuer fails to pay such amounts forthwith upon such demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust, may, and shall, subject to the terms of this Indenture (including Section 6.3(e)) upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, institute a Proceeding for the collection of the sums so due and unpaid, may prosecute such Proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce the same against the Applicable Issuers or any other obligor upon the Secured Notes and collect the Monies adjudged or decreed to be payable in the manner provided by law out of the Assets.

If an Event of Default occurs and is continuing, the Trustee may in its discretion, and shall, subject to the terms of this Indenture (including Section 6.3(e)) upon written direction of the Majority of the Controlling Class, proceed to protect and enforce its rights and the rights of the Secured Parties by such appropriate Proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effectual (if no such direction is received by the Trustee) or as the Trustee may be directed by the Majority

of the Controlling Class, to protect and enforce any such rights, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted herein, or to enforce any other proper remedy or legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law.

In case there shall be pending Proceedings relative to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any other obligor upon the Secured Notes under the Bankruptcy Law or any other applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or in case a receiver, assignee or trustee in bankruptcy or reorganization, liquidator, sequestrator or similar official shall have been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or their respective property or such other obligor or its property, or in case of any other comparable Proceedings relative to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor upon the Secured Notes, or the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or such other obligor, the Trustee, regardless of whether the principal of any Secured Notes shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and regardless of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand pursuant to the provisions of this Section 5.3, shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such Proceedings or otherwise:

- (a) to file and prove a claim or claims for the whole amount of principal and interest owing and unpaid in respect of the Secured Notes upon direction by a Majority of the Controlling Class and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and for reimbursement of all reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith) and of the Secured Noteholders allowed in any Proceedings relative to the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or other obligor upon the Secured Notes or to the creditors or property of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or such other obligor;
- (b) unless prohibited by applicable law and regulations, to vote on behalf of the Secured Noteholders upon the direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency Proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable Proceedings; and
- (c) to collect and receive any Monies or other property payable to or deliverable on any such claims, and to distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Noteholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is hereby authorized by each of the Secured Noteholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, if the Trustee shall consent to the making of payments directly to the Secured Noteholders, to pay to the Trustee such amounts as shall be sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and all other reasonable expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith.

Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of any Secured Noteholders, any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Secured Notes or any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Secured Noteholders, as applicable, in any such Proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person.

In any Proceedings brought by the Trustee on behalf of the Holders of the Secured Notes (and any such Proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party), the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Secured Notes.

Notwithstanding anything in this <u>Section 5.3</u> to the contrary, the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Assets or institute Proceedings in furtherance thereof pursuant to this <u>Section 5.3</u> except according to the provisions specified in <u>Section 5.5(a)</u>.

Section 5.4 <u>Remedies</u>. (a) If an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, and the Secured Notes have been declared due and payable and such declaration and its consequences have not been rescinded and annulled, the Co-Issuers agree that the Trustee may, and shall, subject to the terms of this Indenture (including <u>Section 6.3(e)</u>), upon written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class and notice by the Issuer to the Rating Agency, to the extent permitted by applicable law, exercise one or more of the following rights, privileges and remedies:

- (i) institute Proceedings for the collection of all amounts then payable on the Secured Notes or otherwise payable under this Indenture, whether by declaration or otherwise, enforce any judgment obtained, and collect from the Assets any Monies adjudged due;
- (ii) sell or cause the sale of all or a portion of the Assets or rights or interests therein, at one or more public or private sales called and conducted in any manner permitted by law and in accordance with <u>Section 5.17</u> hereof;
- (iii) institute Proceedings from time to time for the complete or partial foreclosure of this Indenture with respect to the Assets;
- (iv) exercise any remedies of a secured party under the UCC and take any other appropriate action to protect and enforce the rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Holders of the Secured Notes hereunder (including exercising all rights of the Trustee under the Account Control Agreement); and
- (v) exercise any other rights and remedies that may be available at law or in equity;

provided that the Trustee may not sell or liquidate the Assets or institute Proceedings in furtherance thereof pursuant to this <u>Section 5.4</u> except according to the provisions of Section 5.5(a).

The Trustee may, but need not, obtain and rely upon an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm of national reputation (the cost of which shall be payable as an Administrative Expense) in structuring and distributing securities similar to the Secured Notes, which may be the Initial Purchaser or other appropriate adviser, as to the feasibility of any action proposed to be taken in accordance with this Section 5.4 and as to the sufficiency of the proceeds and other amounts receivable with respect to the Assets to make the required payments of principal of and interest on the Secured Notes which opinion shall be conclusive evidence as to such feasibility or sufficiency.

- (b) If an Event of Default as described in <u>Section 5.1(d)</u> hereof shall have occurred and be continuing the Trustee may, and at the direction of the Holders or beneficial owners of not less than 25% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class shall, subject to the terms of this Indenture (including <u>Section 6.3(e)</u>), institute a Proceeding solely to compel performance of the covenant or agreement or to cure the representation or warranty, the breach of which gave rise to the Event of Default under such Section, and enforce any equitable decree or order arising from such Proceeding.
- (c) Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale hereby given or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, any Secured Party may bid for and purchase the Assets or any part thereof and, upon compliance with the terms of sale, may hold, retain, possess or dispose of such property in its or their own absolute right without accountability. Any Holder bidding at such sale may, in payment of the purchase price, deliver to the Trustee for surrender and cancellation any of the Notes owned by such Holder in lieu of cash equal to the amount which would, upon distribution of the net proceeds of such sale, be payable on the Notes so delivered by such Holder (taking into account the Class of such Notes, the Priority of Payments and Article XIII).

Upon any sale, whether made under the power of sale hereby given or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, the receipt of the Trustee, or of the Officer making a sale under judicial Proceedings, shall be a sufficient discharge to the purchaser or purchasers at any sale for its or their purchase Money, and such purchaser or purchasers shall not be obliged to see to the application thereof.

Any such sale, whether under any power of sale hereby given or by virtue of judicial Proceedings, shall bind the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Secured Notes, shall operate to divest all right, title and interest whatsoever, either at law or in equity, of each of them in and to the property sold, and shall be a perpetual bar, both at law and in equity, against each of them and their successors and assigns, and against any and all Persons claiming through or under them.

(d) (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, none of the Trustee, the Secured Parties or the Holders or beneficial owners of the Notes may, prior to the date which is one year (or if longer, any applicable preference period) and one day after the

payment in full of all Notes, institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, winding up, moratorium or liquidation Proceedings, or other Proceedings under Bermuda, U.S. federal or state bankruptcy or similar laws. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Article V, in the event that any Proceeding described in the immediately preceding sentence is commenced against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as applicable, subject to the availability of funds as described in the immediately following sentence, shall promptly object to the institution of any such proceeding against it and take all necessary or advisable steps to cause the dismissal of any such Proceeding (including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to timely file an answer and any other appropriate pleading objecting to (x) the institution of any Proceeding to have the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary, as the case may be, adjudicated as bankrupt or insolvent or (y) the filing of any petition seeking relief, reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition or in respect of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary, as the case may be, under applicable bankruptcy law or any other applicable law). The reasonable fees, costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Co-Issuer or the Issuer (including reasonable attorney's fees and expenses) in connection with taking any such action shall be paid as Administrative Expenses. Any person who acquires a beneficial interest in a Note shall be deemed to have accepted and agreed to the foregoing restrictions.

- In the event one or more Holders or beneficial owners of Secured Notes institutes, or joins in the institution of, a proceeding described in clause (i) above against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary in violation of the prohibition described above, such Holder(s) or beneficial owner(s) shall be deemed to acknowledge and agree that any claim that such Holder(s) or beneficial owner(s) have against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary, as applicable, or with respect to any Assets (including any proceeds thereof) shall, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Priority of Payments, be fully subordinate in right of payment to the claims of each Holder and beneficial owner of any Secured Notes that does not seek to cause any such filing, with such subordination being effective until each Secured Notes held by each Holder or beneficial owners of any Secured Notes that does not seek to cause any such filing is paid in full in accordance with the Priority of Payments (after giving effect to such subordination). The terms described in the immediately preceding sentence are referred to herein as the "Bankruptcy Subordination Agreement." The Bankruptcy Subordination Agreement is intended to constitute a "subordination agreement" within the meaning of Section 510(a) of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code (Title 11 of the United States Code, as amended from time to time (or any successor statute)). The Trustee shall be entitled to rely upon an Issuer Order with respect to the payment of amounts payable to Holders, which amounts are subordinated pursuant to this Section 5.4(d)(ii).
- (iii) Nothing in this <u>Section 5.4</u> shall preclude, or be deemed to stop, the Trustee (i) from taking any action prior to the expiration of the aforementioned period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than the Trustee, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer, the

Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary or any of their respective properties any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation Proceeding.

- (iv) The agreements described in <u>clauses (i)</u> and <u>(ii)</u> of this <u>Section 5.4(d)</u> are a material inducement for each Holder and beneficial owner of the Notes to acquire such Notes and for the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Portfolio Manager to enter into this Indenture (in the case of the Issuer and the Co-Issuer) and the other applicable transaction documents and are an essential term of this Indenture. Any Holder or beneficial owner of Notes, any Issuer Subsidiary or either of the Co-Issuers may seek and obtain specific performance of such restrictions (including injunctive relief), including, without limitation, in any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings, or other proceedings under Bermuda law, United States federal or state bankruptcy law or similar laws.
- Section 5.5 Optional Preservation of Assets. (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, if an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, the Trustee shall retain the Assets securing the Secured Notes intact, collect and cause the collection of the proceeds thereof and make and apply all payments and deposits and maintain all accounts in respect of the Assets and the Notes in accordance with the Priority of Payments and the provisions of Article X, Article XII and Article XIII unless:
 - (i) the Trustee, pursuant to <u>Section 5.5(c)</u>, determines that the anticipated proceeds of a sale or liquidation of the Assets (after deducting the anticipated reasonable expenses of such sale or liquidation) would be sufficient to (A) discharge in full the amounts then due (or, in the case of interest, accrued) and unpaid on the Secured Notes for principal and interest (including accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest), and all other amounts that, pursuant to the Priority of Payments, are required to be paid prior to such payments on such Secured Notes (including amounts due and owing or reasonably anticipated to be due and owing as Administrative Expenses (without regard to the Administrative Expense Cap), any due and unpaid Portfolio Management Fees and amounts payable to any Hedge Counterparty pursuant to an early termination (or partial early termination) of such Hedge Agreement as a result of a Priority Termination Event), and (B) pay an additional amount equal to 5% of the aggregate of the amounts set forth in clause (A), and a Majority of the Controlling Class agrees with such determination;
 - (ii) in the case of an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(a), Section 5.1(e), Section 5.1(f), or Section 5.1(g) a Majority of the Class A Notes directs the sale and liquidation of the Assets (without regard to whether another Event of Default has occurred prior, contemporaneously or subsequent to such Event of Default);
 - (iii) in the case of an Event of Default specified in Section 5.1(b), Section 5.1(c), or Section 5.1(d), a Supermajority of all Classes of Secured Notes (voting separately by Class) directs the sale and liquidation of the Assets; or

(iv) if only Subordinated Notes are then Outstanding, a Majority of the Subordinated Notes directs the sale and liquidation of the Assets.

So long as such Event of Default is continuing, any such retention pursuant to this Section 5.5(a) may be rescinded at any time when the conditions specified in clause (i), (iii) or (iv) exist.

- (b) Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to sell the Assets securing the Secured Notes if the conditions set forth in clause (i), (ii), (iii) or (iv) of Section 5.5(a) are not satisfied. Nothing contained in Section 5.5(a) shall be construed to require the Trustee to preserve the Assets securing the Notes if prohibited by applicable law.
- (c) In determining whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee shall use reasonable efforts to obtain, with the cooperation of the Portfolio Manager, bid prices with respect to each Loan, Equity Security or other asset contained in the Assets from two nationally recognized dealers (as specified by the Portfolio Manager in writing) at the time making a market therein and shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of the lower of such bid prices for each such Loan, Equity Security or other asset. In the event that the Trustee, with the cooperation of the Portfolio Manager, is only able to obtain bid prices with respect to a Loan, Equity Security or other asset contained in the Assets from one nationally recognized dealer at the time making a market therein, the Trustee shall compute the anticipated proceeds of sale or liquidation on the basis of such one bid price for such security. In addition, for the purposes of determining issues relating to the execution of a sale or liquidation of the Assets and the execution of a sale or other liquidation thereof in connection with a determination whether the condition specified in Section 5.5(a)(i) exists, the Trustee may retain and rely on an opinion of an Independent investment banking firm, or other appropriate adviser, of national reputation (the cost of which shall be payable as an Administrative Expense).

The Trustee shall deliver to the Noteholders and the Portfolio Manager a report stating the results of any determination required pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i) no later than ten (10) days after such determination is made. The Trustee shall make the determinations required by Section 5.5(a)(i) at the written request of a Supermajority of the Controlling Class at any time during which the Trustee retains the Assets pursuant to Section 5.5(a)(i); provided that any such request made more frequently than once in any 90-day period shall be at the expense of such requesting party or parties.

Section 5.6 <u>Trustee May Enforce Claims without Possession of the Notes.</u> All rights of action and claims under this Indenture or under any of the Secured Notes may be prosecuted and enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Secured Notes or the production thereof in any trial or other Proceeding relating thereto, and any such action or Proceeding instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment shall be applied as set forth in <u>Section 5.7</u> hereof.

Section 5.7 <u>Application of Money Collected</u>. Any Money collected by the Trustee with respect to the Notes pursuant to this <u>Article V</u> and any Money that may then be held

or thereafter received by the Trustee with respect to the Notes hereunder shall be applied, subject to <u>Section 13.1</u> and in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 11.1(a)(iv)</u>, at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee. Upon the final distribution of all proceeds of the Assets effected hereunder, the provisions of <u>Section 4.1(b)</u> shall be deemed satisfied for the purposes of discharging this Indenture pursuant to <u>Article IV</u>.

Section 5.8 <u>Limitation on Suits</u>. No Holder or beneficial owner of any Notes shall have any right to institute any Proceedings, judicial or otherwise, with respect to this Indenture or the Notes, or for the appointment of a receiver or trustee, or for any other remedy hereunder, unless:

- (a) such Holder or beneficial owner has previously given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default:
- (b) the Holders or beneficial owners of not less than 25% of the then Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Controlling Class shall have made written request to the Trustee to institute Proceedings in respect of such Event of Default in its own name as Trustee hereunder and such Holder or Holders or beneficial owners have provided the Trustee indemnity reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee against the costs, expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) and liabilities to be incurred in compliance with such request;
- (c) the Trustee, for 30 days after its receipt of such notice, request and provision of such indemnity, has failed to institute any such Proceeding; and
- (d) no direction inconsistent with such written request has been given to the Trustee during such 30-day period by a Majority of the Controlling Class; it being understood and intended that no one or more Holders or beneficial owners of Notes shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue of, or by availing itself of, any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other Holders or beneficial owners of Notes of the same Class or to obtain or to seek to obtain priority or preference over any other Holders or beneficial owners of the Notes of the same Class or to enforce any right under this Indenture or the Notes, except in the manner herein or therein provided and for the equal and ratable benefit of all the Holders or beneficial owners of Notes of the same Class subject to and in accordance with Section 13.1 and the Priority of Payments.

In the event the Trustee shall receive conflicting or inconsistent requests and indemnity pursuant to this <u>Section 5.8</u> from two or more groups of Holders or beneficial owners of the Controlling Class, each representing less than a Majority of the Controlling Class, the Trustee shall act in accordance with the request specified by the group of Holders or beneficial owners with the greatest percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, notwithstanding any other provisions of this Indenture. If all such groups represent the same percentage, the Trustee, in its sole discretion, may determine what action, if any, shall be taken.

Section 5.9 <u>Unconditional Rights of Secured Noteholders to Receive Principal and Interest.</u> (a) Subject to <u>Section 2.7(i)</u>, but notwithstanding any other provision of this Indenture, the Holder of any Secured Notes shall have the right, which is absolute and unconditional, to receive payment of the principal of and interest on such Secured Notes, as such principal, interest and other amounts become due and payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments and <u>Section 13.1</u>, as the case may be, and, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 5.8</u>, to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment, and such right shall not be impaired without the consent of such Holder. Holders of Secured Notes ranking junior to Notes still Outstanding shall have no right to institute Proceedings for the enforcement of any such payment until such time as no Secured Notes ranking senior to such Secured Notes remains Outstanding, which right shall be subject to the provisions of <u>Section 5.8</u>, and shall not be impaired without the consent of any such Holder.

Section 5.10 <u>Restoration of Rights and Remedies</u>. If the Trustee or any Noteholder has instituted any Proceeding to enforce any right or remedy under this Indenture and such Proceeding has been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or has been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Noteholder, then and in every such case the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Noteholder shall, subject to any determination in such Proceeding, be restored severally and respectively to their former positions hereunder, and thereafter all rights and remedies of the Trustee and the Noteholder shall continue as though no such Proceeding had been instituted.

Section 5.11 <u>Rights and Remedies Cumulative</u>. No right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Noteholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

Section 5.12 <u>Delay or Omission Not Waiver</u>. No delay or omission of the Trustee or any Holder of Secured Notes to exercise any right or remedy accruing upon any Event of Default shall impair any such right or remedy or constitute a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein or of a subsequent Event of Default. Every right and remedy given by this <u>Article V</u> or by law to the Trustee or to the Holders of the Secured Notes may be exercised from time to time, and as often as may be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Holders of the Secured Notes.

Section 5.13 <u>Control by Majority of Controlling Class</u>. A Majority of the Controlling Class shall have the right following the occurrence, and during the continuance of, an Event of Default to cause the institution of and direct the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee or to direct the Trustee in exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee under this Indenture; *provided* that:

- (a) such direction shall not conflict with any rule of law or with any express provision of this Indenture;
- (b) the Trustee may take any other action deemed proper by the Trustee that is not inconsistent with such direction; *provided* that subject to Section 6.1, the Trustee need not take any action that it determines might involve it in liability or expense (unless the Trustee has received the indemnity as set forth in (c) below);
- (c) the Trustee shall have been provided with indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it; and
- (d) notwithstanding the foregoing, any direction to the Trustee to undertake a Sale of the Assets shall be by the Holders or beneficial owners of Notes representing the requisite percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Notes and Class(es) thereof, as applicable, specified in Section 5.4 and/or Section 5.5.
- Section 5.14 <u>Waiver of Past Defaults</u>. Prior to the time a judgment or decree for payment of the Money due has been obtained by the Trustee, as provided in this <u>Article V</u>, a Majority of the Controlling Class may on behalf of the Holders and beneficial owners of all the Notes waive any past Default or Event of Default and its consequences, except a Default:
- (a) in the payment of the principal of any Secured Notes (which may be waived only with the consent of the Holder or beneficial owner of such Secured Notes);
- (b) in the payment of interest on any Secured Notes (which may be waived only with the consent of the Holder or beneficial owner of such Secured Notes); or
- (c) in respect of a covenant or provision hereof that under <u>Section 8.2</u> cannot be modified or amended without the waiver or consent of the Holder or beneficial owner of each Outstanding Notes materially and adversely affected thereby (which may be waived only with the consent of each such Holder or beneficial owner).

In the case of any such waiver, the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively, but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other Default or Event of Default or impair any right consequent thereto. The Trustee shall promptly give written notice of any such waiver to the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer (and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Issuer shall provide such notice to the Rating Agency then providing a rating on any Class of Secured Notes) and each Holder. Upon any such waiver, such Default shall cease to exist, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, for every purpose of this Indenture.

Section 5.15 <u>Undertaking for Costs</u>. All parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder and beneficial owner of any Notes by such Holder's or beneficial owner's acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture, or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in

such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section 5.15 shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Noteholder, or group of Noteholders, holding in the aggregate more than 10% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Controlling Class, or to any suit instituted by any Noteholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Notes on or after the applicable Stated Maturity (or, in the case of any redemption whose failure to pay would constitute an Event of Default, on or after the applicable Redemption Date).

Section 5.16 Waiver of Stay or Extension Laws. The Co-Issuers covenant (to the extent that they may lawfully do so) that they shall not at any time insist upon, or plead, or in any manner whatsoever claim or take the benefit or advantage of, any stay or extension law or any valuation, appraisement, redemption or marshalling law or rights, in each case wherever enacted, now or at any time hereafter in force, which may affect the covenants, the performance of or any remedies under this Indenture; and the Co-Issuers (to the extent that they may lawfully do so) hereby expressly waive all benefit or advantage of any such law or rights, and covenant that they shall not hinder, delay or impede the execution of any power herein granted to the Trustee, but shall suffer and permit the execution of every such power as though no such law had been enacted or rights created.

Section 5.17 <u>Sale of Assets</u>. (a) The power to effect any sale (a "**Sale**") of any portion of the Assets pursuant to <u>Sections 5.4</u> and <u>5.5</u> shall not be exhausted by any one or more Sales as to any portion of such Assets remaining unsold, but shall continue unimpaired until the entire Assets shall have been sold or all amounts secured by the Assets shall have been paid. The Trustee may upon notice to the Noteholders and the Portfolio Manager, and shall, upon direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class, from time to time postpone any Sale by public announcement made at the time and place of such Sale. The Trustee hereby expressly waives its rights to any amount fixed by law as compensation for any Sale; *provided* that the Trustee shall be authorized to deduct the reasonable costs, charges and expenses (including costs and expenses of its attorneys and agents) incurred by it in connection with such Sale from the proceeds thereof notwithstanding the provisions of <u>Section 6.7</u> or other applicable terms hereof.

(b) The Trustee and the Portfolio Manager (and/or any of its affiliates) may bid for and acquire any portion of the Assets in connection with a public Sale thereof, and the Trustee may pay all or part of the purchase price by crediting against amounts owing on the Secured Notes in the case of the Assets or other amounts secured by the Assets, all or part of the net proceeds of such Sale after deducting the reasonable costs, charges and expenses (including the reasonable costs and expenses of its attorneys and agents) incurred by the Trustee in connection with such Sale notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6.7 hereof or other applicable terms hereof. The Secured Notes need not be produced in order to complete any such Sale, or in order for the net proceeds of such Sale to be credited against amounts owing on the Notes. The Trustee may hold, lease, operate, manage or otherwise deal with any property so acquired in any manner permitted by law in accordance with this Indenture.

- (c) If any portion of the Assets consists of securities issued without registration under the Securities Act ("Unregistered Securities"), the Trustee may seek an Opinion of Counsel, or, if no such Opinion of Counsel can be obtained and with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, seek a no action position from the Securities and Exchange Commission or any other relevant federal or State regulatory authorities, regarding the legality of a public or private Sale of such Unregistered Securities.
- (d) The Trustee shall execute and deliver an appropriate instrument of conveyance transferring its interest in any portion of the Assets in connection with a Sale thereof, without recourse, representation or warranty. In addition, the Trustee is hereby irrevocably appointed the agent and attorney in fact of the Issuer to transfer and convey its interest in any portion of the Assets in connection with a Sale thereof, and to take all action necessary to effect such Sale. No purchaser or transferee at such a sale shall be bound to ascertain the Trustee's authority, to inquire into the satisfaction of any conditions precedent or see to the application of any Monies.

Section 5.18 Action on the Notes. The Trustee's right to seek and recover judgment on the Notes or under this Indenture shall not be affected by the seeking or obtaining of or application for any other relief under or with respect to this Indenture. Neither the lien of this Indenture nor any rights or remedies of the Trustee or the Noteholders shall be impaired by the recovery of any judgment by the Trustee against the Issuer or by the levy of any execution under such judgment upon any portion of the Assets or upon any of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer.

ARTICLE VI

THE TRUSTEE

Section 6.1 <u>Certain Duties and Responsibilities</u>. (a) Except during the continuance of an Event of Default known to the Trustee:

- (i) the Trustee undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and
- (ii) in the absence of bad faith on its part, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; *provided* that in the case of any such certificates or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they substantially conform to the requirements of this Indenture and shall promptly, but in any event within three Business Days in the case of an Officer's certificate furnished by the Portfolio Manager, notify the party delivering the same if such certificate or opinion does not

conform. If a corrected form shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 15 days after such notice from the Trustee, the Trustee shall so notify the Noteholders.

- (b) In case an Event of Default known to the Trustee has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall, prior to the receipt of directions, if any, from a Majority of the Controlling Class, or such other percentage as permitted by this Indenture, exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in its exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of such person's own affairs.
- (c) No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act, or its own willful misconduct, except that:
 - (i) this <u>subsection (c)</u> shall not be construed to limit the effect of <u>subsection (a)</u> of this <u>Section 6.1</u>;
 - (ii) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Trust Officer, unless it shall be proven that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts;
 - (iii) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture and/or a Majority (or such other percentage as may be required or permitted by the terms hereof) of the Controlling Class (or other Class if required or permitted by the terms hereof), relating to the time, method and place of conducting any Proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture;
 - (iv) no provision of this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur any financial or other liability in the performance of any of its duties hereunder, or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers contemplated hereunder, if it shall have reasonable grounds for believing that repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity satisfactory to it against such risk or liability is not reasonably assured to it; and
 - (v) in no event shall the Trustee be liable for special, indirect, punitive or consequential loss or damage (including lost profits) even if the Trustee has been advised of the likelihood of such damages and regardless of such action.
- (d) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any Default or Event of Default described in Section 5.1(c), (d), (e), (f) or (g) unless a Trust Officer assigned to and working in the Corporate Trust Office has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice of any event which is in fact such an Event of Default or Default is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office, and such notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Assets or this Indenture. For purposes of

determining the Trustee's responsibility and liability hereunder, whenever reference is made in this Indenture to such an Event of Default or a Default, such reference shall be construed to refer only to such an Event of Default or Default of which the Trustee is deemed to have notice as described in this Section 6.1.

- (e) Not later than one Business Day after the Trustee receives (i) written notice of assignment pursuant to Section 13 of the Portfolio Management Agreement or (ii) written notice of resignation from the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 12 of the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Trustee shall forward a copy of such notice to the Noteholders (as their names appear in the Register). In no event shall the Trustee be deemed to have notice or knowledge of or otherwise be required to determine whether any event or circumstance exists that would give rise to "Cause" (as defined under the Portfolio Management Agreement) for the termination of the Portfolio Manager.
- (f) Whether or not therein expressly so provided, every provision of this Indenture relating to the conduct or affecting the liability of or affording protection to the Trustee shall be subject to the provisions of this <u>Section 6.1</u> and <u>Section 6.3</u>.
- (g) For all purposes under this Indenture, the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any Tax Event unless it receives written notice of the occurrence of a Tax Event from the Portfolio Manager.
- (h) The Trustee shall not have any obligation to determine, verify or confirm the compliance by the Issuer, the Retention Holder or any other Person with the EU Retention and Transparency Requirements, the Retention Undertaking Letter or the US Risk Retention Rules or the risk retention rules of any other jurisdiction. The Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to provide its acknowledgement to the Retention Undertaking Letter.
- (i) The Trustee shall have no obligation, liability or responsibility for the selection or verification of any Benchmark Transition Event, Fallback Rate or Designated Reference Rate (including, without limitation, whether the conditions for the designation of such Benchmark Transition Event, Fallback Rate or Designated Reference Rate have been satisfied).
- (j) Subject to Section 7.8(e), the Trustee shall not have any obligation to confirm the compliance by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or any other Person with the Tax Guidelines or the Advisory Committee Guidelines.
- (k) The Trustee shall have no liability or responsibility for monitoring or verifying AML Compliance or compliance with FATCA for the Issuer, any Holder or any other Person.
- (l) The Trustee shall have no obligation or liability to determine or verify (i) if the conditions for acceptance of a Contribution or the application thereof to any Permitted Use have been satisfied, (ii) whether the conditions to a Bankruptcy Exchange have been satisfied, (iii) whether any Equity Security is a Specified Equity Security or whether the conditions to the

acquisition thereof have been satisfied or (iv) whether a Loan or Bond constitutes a Loss Mitigation Obligation.

Section 6.2 Notice of Event of Default. Promptly (and in no event later than three Business Days) after the occurrence of any Event of Default actually known to a Trust Officer of the Trustee or after any declaration of acceleration has been made or delivered to the Trustee pursuant to Section 5.2, the Trustee shall transmit by mail or email to the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer (and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Issuer shall provide such notice to the Rating Agency then providing a rating on any Class of Secured Notes), to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (for so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the guidelines of such exchange so require) and all Holders, as their names and addresses appear on the Register, notice of all Events of Defaults hereunder known to the Trustee, unless such Event of Default shall have been cured or waived. In addition, prior to the commencement of liquidation of Assets pursuant to Section 5.5, the Issuer shall provide notice of such liquidation to the Rating Agency then providing a rating on any Class of Secured Notes.

Section 6.3 <u>Certain Rights of Trustee</u>. Except as otherwise provided in Section 6.1:

- (a) the Trustee may conclusively rely and shall be fully protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, electronic communication, note or other paper or document believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties; it being understood that an electronically signed document delivered via email by an individual purporting to be an Authorized Officer will be considered signed or executed by such Authorized Officer on behalf of the applicable Person. The Trustee shall have no duty to inquire into or investigate the authenticity or authorization of any such electronic signature and shall be entitled to conclusively rely on any such electronic signature without any liability with respect thereto;
- (b) any request or direction of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order, as the case may be;
- (c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall (i) deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely upon an Officer's certificate or Issuer Order or (ii) be required to determine the value of any Assets or funds hereunder or the cash flows projected to be received therefrom, the Trustee may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, rely on reports of nationally recognized accountants (which may or may not be the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8), investment bankers or other persons qualified to provide the information required to make such determination, including nationally recognized dealers in securities of the type being valued and securities quotation services;

- (d) as a condition to the taking or omitting of any action by it hereunder, the Trustee may consult with counsel and the advice of such counsel or any Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action taken or omitted by it hereunder in good faith and in reliance thereon and the Trustee may employ or retain such accountants, appraisers or other experts or advisers as it may reasonably require for the purposes of determining and discharging its rights and duties hereunder;
- (e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise or to honor any of the rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request or direction of any of the Holders pursuant to this Indenture, unless such Holders shall have provided to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses (including reasonable fees and expenses of agents, experts and attorneys) and liabilities which might reasonably be incurred by it in complying with such request or direction (including any actions in respect thereof);
- the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, direction, consent, order, note, electronic communication or other paper or document, but the Trustee, in its discretion, may, and upon the written direction of a Majority of the Controlling Class shall (subject to the right hereunder to be reasonably satisfactorily indemnified for associated expense and liability), make such further inquiry or investigation into such facts or matters as it may see fit or as it shall be directed, and the Trustee shall be entitled, on reasonable prior written notice to the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager, to examine the books and records relating to the Notes and the Assets, personally or by agent or attorney, during the Co-Issuers' or the Portfolio Manager's normal business hours; provided that the Trustee shall, and shall cause its agents to, hold in confidence all such information, except (i) to the extent disclosure may be required by law or by any regulatory, administrative or governmental authority and (ii) to the extent that the Trustee, in its sole discretion, may determine that such disclosure is consistent with its obligations hereunder; provided, further, that the Trustee may disclose on a confidential basis any such information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder;
- (g) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys; *provided* that the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any agent appointed or attorney appointed, with due care by it hereunder;
- (h) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action it takes or omits to take in good faith that it reasonably believes to be authorized or within its rights or powers hereunder, including actions or omissions to act at the direction of the Portfolio Manager;
- (i) nothing herein shall be construed to impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee to monitor, recalculate, evaluate or verify or independently determine the accuracy of any report, certificate or information received from the Issuer, the Collateral Administrator or the Portfolio Manager (unless and except to the extent otherwise expressly set forth herein);

- (j) to the extent any defined term hereunder, or any calculation required to be made or determined by the Trustee hereunder, is dependent upon or defined by reference to generally accepted accounting principles (as in effect in the United States) ("GAAP"), the Trustee shall be entitled to request and receive (and rely upon) instruction from the Issuer or the accountants which may or may not be the Independent accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 (and in the absence of its receipt of timely instruction therefrom, shall be entitled to obtain from an Independent accountant at the expense of the Issuer) as to the application of GAAP in such connection, in any instance;
- (k) the Trustee shall, upon reasonable (but no less than three Business Days') prior written notice, permit any representative of a Holder of Notes, during the Trustee's normal business hours, to examine all books of account, records, reports and other papers of the Trustee (other than items protected by attorney-client privilege) relating to the Notes, to make copies and extracts therefrom (the reasonable out-of-pocket expenses incurred in making any such copies or extracts to be reimbursed to the Trustee by such Holder) and to discuss the Trustee's actions, as such actions relate to the Trustee's duties with respect to the Notes, with the Trustee's Officers and employees responsible for carrying out the Trustee's duties with respect to the Notes.
- (l) the Trustee shall not be liable for the actions or omissions of, or any inaccuracies in the records of, the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Collateral Administrator, any Paying Agent (other than the Trustee), DTC, Euroclear, Clearstream, or any other clearing agency or depository and without limiting the foregoing, the Trustee shall not be under any obligation to monitor, evaluate or verify compliance by the Portfolio Manager with the terms hereof or of the Portfolio Management Agreement or by the Collateral Administrator with the terms hereof or of the Collateral Administration Agreement, or to verify or independently determine the accuracy of information received by the Trustee from the Portfolio Manager or the Collateral Administrator (or from any selling institution, agent bank, trustee or similar source) with respect to the Assets;
- (m) notwithstanding any term hereof (or any term of the UCC that might otherwise be construed to be applicable to a "securities intermediary" as defined in the UCC) to the contrary, none of the Trustee, the Custodian or the Securities Intermediary shall be under a duty or obligation in connection with the acquisition or Grant by the Issuer to the Trustee of any item constituting the Assets, or to evaluate the sufficiency of the documents or instruments delivered to it by or on behalf of the Issuer in connection with its Grant or otherwise, or in that regard to examine any Underlying Instrument, in each case, in order to determine compliance with applicable requirements of and restrictions on transfer in respect of such Assets;
- (n) in the event the Bank or an Affiliate of the Bank is also acting in the capacity of Paying Agent, Information Agent, Registrar, Transfer Agent, Custodian, Calculation Agent or Securities Intermediary, the rights, protections, benefits, immunities and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this <u>Article VI</u> shall also be afforded to the Bank or such Affiliate acting in such capacities; *provided* that such rights, protections, benefits, immunities and indemnities shall be in addition to, and not in limitation of, any rights, protections, benefits, immunities and indemnities provided in the Account Control Agreement or any other documents to which the Bank or such Affiliate in such capacity is a party (provided that the foregoing shall

not be construed to impose upon the Bank or such Affiliate the duties or standard of care (including, without limitation, any prudent person standard) of the Trustee when acting in the foregoing capacities);

- (o) any permissive right of the Trustee to take or refrain from taking actions enumerated in this Indenture shall not be construed as a duty;
- (p) the Trustee shall not be required to give any bond or surety in respect of the execution of this Indenture or otherwise;
- (q) the Trustee shall not be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any matter unless a Trust Officer has actual knowledge thereof or unless written notice thereof is received by the Trustee at the Corporate Trust Office and such notice references the Notes generally, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or this Indenture. Whenever reference is made in this Indenture to a Default or an Event of Default such reference shall, insofar as determining any liability on the part of the Trustee is concerned, be construed to refer only to a Default or an Event of Default of which the Trustee is deemed to have knowledge in accordance with this paragraph;
- (r) the Trustee shall not be responsible for delays or failures in performance resulting from acts or circumstances beyond its control (such circumstances include but are not limited to acts of God, strikes, lockouts, riots, acts of war, loss or malfunctions of utilities, computer (hardware or software) or communications services);
- (s) in making or disposing of any investment permitted by this Indenture, the Trustee is authorized to deal with itself (in its individual capacity) or with any one or more of its Affiliates, in each case on an arm's-length basis, whether it or such Affiliate is acting as a subagent of the Trustee or for any third person or dealing as principal for its own account. If otherwise qualified, obligations of the Bank or any of its Affiliates shall qualify as Eligible Investments hereunder:
- (t) the Trustee or its Affiliates are permitted to receive additional compensation that could be deemed to be in the Trustee's economic self-interest for (i) serving as investment adviser, administrator, shareholder, servicing agent, custodian or subcustodian with respect to certain of the Eligible Investments, (ii) using Affiliates to effect transactions in certain Eligible Investments and (iii) effecting transactions in certain Eligible Investments. Such compensation is not payable or reimbursable under Section 6.7 of this Indenture;
- (u) the Trustee shall have no duty (i) to see to any recording, filing, or depositing of this Indenture or any supplemental indenture or any financing statement or continuation statement evidencing a security interest, or to see to the maintenance of any such recording, filing or depositing or to any rerecording, refiling or redepositing of any thereof or (ii) to maintain any insurance;
- (v) the Trustee is entitled to conclusively rely on the Portfolio Manager with respect to whether or not a Collateral Obligation meets the criteria in the definition thereof and for the characterization, classification, designation or categorization of the Assets to the extent

such characterization, classification, designation or categorization is subjective or judgmental in nature, or based on information not readily available to the Trustee;

- (w) the Trustee is authorized, at the request of the Portfolio Manager, to accept directions or otherwise enter into agreements regarding the remittance fees owing to the Portfolio Manager;
- (x) neither the Trustee nor the Collateral Administrator shall be responsible for determining: (i) if a Collateral Obligation meets the criteria or eligibility restrictions imposed by this Indenture, (ii) whether the conditions specified in the definition of "Delivered" have been complied with, or (iii) independently, the characteristics of any Collateral Obligation;
- (y) to the extent not inconsistent herewith, the rights, protections, benefits, immunities and indemnities afforded to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture shall also be afforded to the Collateral Administrator; *provided*, that, with respect to the Collateral Administrator, such rights, protections, benefits, immunities and indemnities shall be in addition to any rights, protections, benefits, immunities and indemnities provided in the Collateral Administration Agreement; *provided*, *further*, that the foregoing shall not be construed to impose upon the Collateral Administrator the duties or standard of care (including, without limitation, any prudent person standard) of the Trustee;
- (z) if, within 90 days after delivery of financial information (including by posting to the Trustee's website) or the making of disbursements, the Trustee receives written notice of an error or omission related thereto (a copy of which written notice the Trustee shall promptly provide to the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer), and within five (5) Business Days after its receipt of a copy of such written notice the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, confirms such error or omission, then the Trustee agrees to use reasonable efforts to correct such error or omission. If the Trustee is not so notified within such 90-day period and no Trust Officer of the Trustee has actual knowledge within such 90-day period of such error or omission, the Trustee shall have no liability for such error or omission and, absent direction by the requisite percentage of Holders entitled to direct the Trustee in the exercise of remedies hereunder, shall not be required to take any action in connection therewith;
- (aa) notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, any and all communications (both text and attachments) by or from the Trustee that the Trustee in its sole discretion deems to contain confidential, proprietary, and/or sensitive information and sent by email shall be encrypted. The recipient of the email communication shall be required to complete a one-time registration process;
- (bb) with respect to any Bond Corporate Actions, the Trustee may require the Portfolio Manager to register with the Bank's corporate action notification system to receive any such Bond Corporate Actions and thereafter the Trustee shall have no obligation or liability with respect to such Bond Corporate Actions; and
- (cc) in order to comply with laws, rules, regulations and executive orders in effect from time to time applicable to banking institutions, including those relating to the finding

of terrorist activities and money laundering ("Applicable Law"), the Trustee is required to obtain, verify and record certain information relating to individuals and entities which maintain a business relationship with the Trustee. Accordingly, each of the parties agrees to provide to the Trustee upon its request from time to time such identifying information and documentation as may be available for such party or its agents in order to enable the Trustee to comply with Applicable Law. In accordance with the U.S. Unlawful Internet Gambling Act, the Issuer may not use the Accounts or other Bank facilities in the United States to process "restricted transactions" as such term is defined in U.S. 31 CFR Section 132.2(y). Therefore, neither the Issuer nor any person who has an ownership interest in or control over the Accounts may use it to process or facilitate payments for prohibited internet gambling transactions.

Section 6.4 Not Responsible for Recitals or Issuance of Notes. The recitals contained herein and in the Notes, other than the Certificate of Authentication thereon, shall be taken as the statements of the Applicable Issuers; and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture (except as may be made with respect to the validity of the Trustee's obligations hereunder), the Assets or the Notes. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Co-Issuers of the Notes or the proceeds thereof or any Money paid to the Co-Issuers pursuant to the provisions hereof.

Section 6.5 <u>May Hold Notes</u>. The Trustee, any Paying Agent, the Registrar or any other agent of the Co-Issuers, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Notes and may otherwise deal with the Co-Issuers or any of their Affiliates with the same rights it would have if it were not Trustee, Paying Agent, Registrar or such other agent.

Section 6.6 <u>Money Held in Trust</u>. Money held by the Trustee hereunder shall be held in trust to the extent required herein. The Trustee shall be under no liability for interest on any Money received by it hereunder except to the extent of income or other gain on investments which are deposits in or certificates of deposit of the Bank in its commercial capacity and income or other gain actually received by the Trustee on Eligible Investments.

Section 6.7 Compensation and Reimbursement. (a) The Issuer agrees:

- (i) to pay the Bank (individually and in each of its capacities) on each Payment Date reasonable compensation, as set forth in a separate fee schedule, for all services rendered by it hereunder and under the Transaction Documents (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust);
- (ii) except as otherwise expressly provided herein, to reimburse the Bank (individually and in each of its capacities) in a timely manner upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by the Bank in accordance with any provision of this Indenture or other Transaction Document (including, without limitation, securities transaction charges and the reasonable compensation and expenses and disbursements of its agents and legal counsel and of any accounting firm or investment banking firm employed by the Trustee pursuant to

- Section 5.4, 5.5, 6.3(c) or 10.6, except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may be attributable to its negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith) but with respect to securities transaction charges, only to the extent any such charges have not been waived during a Collection Period due to the Trustee's receipt of a payment from a financial institution with respect to certain Eligible Investments, as specified by the Portfolio Manager;
- (iii) to indemnify the Bank (individually and in each of its capacities) and its officers, directors, employees and agents for, and to hold them harmless against, any loss, claim, liability or expense (including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses) incurred without negligence, willful misconduct or bad faith on their part, arising out of or in connection with acting or serving as Trustee or any other capacity under this Indenture or any other Transaction Document, including the costs and expenses of (x) defending themselves (including reasonable attorney's fees and costs) against any claim or liability in connection with the administration, exercise or performance of any of their powers or duties hereunder, under each other Transaction Document and under any other agreement or instrument related hereto and (y) the enforcement of the Issuer's indemnification obligations hereunder; and
- (iv) to pay the Trustee reasonable additional compensation together with its expenses (including reasonable counsel fees) for any collection or enforcement action taken pursuant to Section 6.13 or Article V, respectively.
- (b) The Bank shall receive amounts pursuant to this <u>Section 6.7</u> and any other amounts payable to it under this Indenture or in any of the Transaction Documents to which it is a party only as provided in <u>Sections 11.1(a)(i)</u>, (ii), (iii) and (iv) (or such other manner in which Administrative Expenses are permitted to be paid under this Indenture) but only to the extent that funds are available for the payment thereof. Subject to <u>Section 6.9</u>, the Trustee shall continue to serve as Trustee under this Indenture notwithstanding the fact that the Trustee shall not have received amounts due it hereunder; *provided* that nothing herein shall impair or affect the Trustee's rights under <u>Section 6.9</u>. No direction by the Noteholders shall affect the right of the Bank to collect amounts owed to it under this Indenture. If on any date when a fee or an expense shall be payable to the Bank insufficient funds are available for the payment thereof, any portion of a fee or an expense not so paid shall be deferred and payable on such later date on which a fee or an expense shall be payable and sufficient funds are available therefor.
- (c) The Trustee hereby agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy for the non-payment to the Trustee of any amounts provided by this <u>Section 6.7</u> until at least one year, or if longer the applicable preference period then in effect, and one day after the payment in full of all Notes issued under this Indenture.
- (d) The Issuer's payment obligations to the Bank under this <u>Section 6.7</u> shall be secured by the lien of this Indenture payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments, and shall survive the discharge of this Indenture and the resignation or removal of the Bank. When the Bank as Trustee incurs expenses after the occurrence of a Default or an Event of Default under Section 5.1(e) or (f), the expenses are intended to constitute expenses of administration

under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or similar law.

Corporate Trustee Required; Eligibility. There shall at all times be Section 6.8 a Trustee hereunder which shall be an organization or entity organized and doing business under the laws of the United States of America or of any state thereof, authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers, having a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000, subject to supervision or examination by federal or state authority, having (1) a CR Assessment of at least "Baa3- (cr)" by Moody's (or, if such institution does not have a CR Assessment, either has (x) a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "Baa3" from Moody's or (y) a short-term rating of "P-1" from Moody's) and (2) and a long-term issuer rating of at least "BBB" by S&P or a short-term issuer rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, and having an office within the United States. If such organization or entity publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this Section 6.8, the combined capital and surplus of such organization or entity shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent published report of condition. If at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this Section 6.8, it shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect hereinafter specified in this Article VI.

Section 6.9 <u>Resignation and Removal; Appointment of Successor</u>. (a) No resignation or removal of the Trustee and no appointment of a successor Trustee pursuant to this <u>Article VI</u> shall become effective until the acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee under <u>Section 6.10</u>.

- The Trustee may resign at any time by giving not less than 30 days' written notice thereof to the Co-Issuers (and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Issuer shall provide notice to the Rating Agency), the Portfolio Manager and the Holders of the Notes. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the Co-Issuers shall use commercially reasonable efforts to promptly appoint a successor Trustee or trustees satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8 by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by an Authorized Officer of the Issuer, one copy of which shall be delivered to the Trustee so resigning and one copy to the successor Trustee or Trustees, together with a copy to each Holder and the Portfolio Manager; provided that such successor Trustee shall be appointed only upon the written consent of a Majority of the Secured Notes of each Class (voting separately by Class) or, at any time when an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class. If no successor Trustee shall have been appointed and an instrument of acceptance by a successor Trustee shall not have been delivered to the Trustee within 30 days after the giving of such notice of resignation, the resigning Trustee or any Holder, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 6.8.
- (c) The Trustee may be removed at any time by Act of a Majority of each Class of Notes (voting separately by Class) or, at any time when an Event of Default shall have

occurred and be continuing, by an Act of a Majority of the Controlling Class, delivered to the Trustee and to the Co-Issuers.

- (d) If at any time:
- (i) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible under <u>Section 6.8</u> and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Co-Issuers or by any Holder; or
- (ii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting or shall be adjudged as bankrupt or insolvent or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation;

then, in any such case (subject to <u>Section 6.9(a)</u>), (A) the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order, may remove the Trustee, or (B) subject to <u>Section 5.15</u>, any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor Trustee.

- (e) If the Trustee shall resign, be removed or become incapable of acting, or if a vacancy shall occur in the office of the Trustee for any reason (other than resignation), the Co-Issuers, by Issuer Order, shall use commercially reasonable efforts to appoint a successor Trustee within 30 days after such removal or incapability or the occurrence of such vacancy. If the Co-Issuers shall fail to appoint a successor Trustee within 30 days after such resignation, removal or incapability or the occurrence of such vacancy, a successor Trustee may be appointed by a Majority of the Controlling Class by written instrument delivered to the Issuer and the retiring Trustee. The successor Trustee so appointed shall, forthwith upon its acceptance of such appointment, become the successor Trustee and supersede any successor Trustee proposed by the Co-Issuers. If no successor Trustee shall have been so appointed by the Co-Issuers or a Majority of the Controlling Class and shall have accepted appointment in the manner hereinafter provided, subject to Section 5.15, any Holder may, on behalf of itself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor Trustee.
- (f) The Co-Issuers shall give prompt notice of each resignation and each removal of the Trustee and each appointment of a successor Trustee by mailing written notice of such event by first class mail, postage prepaid, to the Portfolio Manager, subject to Section 14.3(c) the Rating Agency and to the Holders of the Notes as their names and addresses appear in the Register. Each notice shall include the name of the successor Trustee and the address of its Corporate Trust Office. If the Co-Issuers fail to mail such notice within ten (10) days after acceptance of appointment by the successor Trustee, the successor Trustee shall cause, subject to Section 14.3(c), such notice to be given at the expense of the Co-Issuers.
- (g) Any resignation or removal of the Trustee under this <u>Section 6.9</u> shall be an effective resignation or removal of the Bank in all capacities under this Indenture.
- Section 6.10 <u>Acceptance of Appointment by Successor</u>. Every successor Trustee appointed hereunder shall meet the requirements of <u>Section 6.8</u> and shall execute,

acknowledge and deliver to the Co-Issuers and the retiring Trustee an instrument accepting such appointment and making representations and warranties set forth in Section 6.17. Upon delivery of the required instruments, the resignation or removal of the retiring Trustee shall become effective and such successor Trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all the rights, powers, trusts, duties and obligations of the retiring Trustee; but, on request of the Co-Issuers or a Majority of any Class of Secured Notes or the successor Trustee, such retiring Trustee shall, upon payment of its charges then unpaid, execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor Trustee all the rights, powers and trusts of the retiring Trustee. The retiring Trustee shall forthwith duly assign, transfer and deliver to such successor Trustee all property and Money held by such retiring Trustee hereunder. Upon request of any such successor Trustee, the Co-Issuers shall execute any and all instruments for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor Trustee all such rights, powers and trusts.

Section 6.11 Merger, Conversion, Consolidation or Succession to Business of Trustee. Any organization or entity into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any organization or entity resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any organization or entity succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder, provided that such organization or entity shall be otherwise qualified and eligible under this Article VI, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto. In case any of the Notes have been authenticated, but not delivered, by the Trustee then in office, any successor by merger, conversion or consolidation to such authenticating Trustee may adopt such authentication and deliver the Notes so authenticated with the same effect as if such successor Trustee had itself authenticated such Notes.

Section 6.12 <u>Co-Trustees</u>. At any time or times, for the purpose of meeting the legal requirements of any jurisdiction in which any part of the Assets may at the time be located, the Co-Issuers and the Trustee shall have power to appoint one or more Persons to act as co-trustee (subject to such Person satisfying the eligibility requirements set forth in <u>Section 6.8</u> and providing prior notice to the Rating Agency), jointly with the Trustee, of all or any part of the Assets, with the power to file such proofs of claim and take such other actions pursuant to <u>Section 5.6</u> herein and to make such claims and enforce such rights of action on behalf of the Holders, as such Holders themselves may have the right to do, subject to the other provisions of this Section 6.12.

The Co-Issuers shall join with the Trustee in the execution, delivery and performance of all instruments and agreements necessary or proper to appoint a co-trustee. If the Co-Issuers do not join in such appointment within 15 days after the receipt by them of a request to do so, the Trustee shall have the power to make such appointment.

Should any written instrument from the Co-Issuers be required by any co-trustee so appointed, more fully confirming to such co-trustee such property, title, right or power, any and all such instruments shall, on request, be executed, acknowledged and delivered by the Co-Issuers. The Co-Issuers agree to pay, to the extent funds are available therefor under

Section 11.1(a)(i)(A), for any reasonable fees and expenses in connection with such appointment.

Every co-trustee shall, to the extent permitted by law, but to such extent only, be appointed subject to the following terms:

- (a) the Notes shall be authenticated and delivered and all rights, powers, duties and obligations hereunder in respect of the custody of securities, Cash and other personal property held by, or required to be deposited or pledged with, the Trustee hereunder, shall be exercised solely by the Trustee;
- (b) the rights, powers, duties and obligations hereby conferred or imposed upon the Trustee in respect of any property covered by the appointment of a co-trustee shall be conferred or imposed upon and exercised or performed by the Trustee or by the Trustee and such co-trustee jointly as shall be provided in the instrument appointing such co-trustee;
- (c) the Trustee at any time, by an instrument in writing executed by it, with the concurrence of the Co-Issuers evidenced by an Issuer Order, may accept the resignation of or remove any co-trustee appointed under this Section 6.12, and in case an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Trustee shall have the power to accept the resignation of, or remove, any such co-trustee without the concurrence of the Co-Issuers. A successor to any co-trustee so resigned or removed may be appointed in the manner provided in this Section 6.12;
- (d) no co-trustee hereunder shall be personally liable by reason of any act or omission of the Trustee hereunder;
- (e) the Trustee shall not be liable by reason of any act or omission of a co-trustee; and
- (f) any Act of Holders delivered to the Trustee shall be deemed to have been delivered to each co-trustee.

Subject to <u>Section 14.3(c)</u>, the Issuer shall notify the Rating Agency of the appointment of a co-trustee hereunder.

Section 6.13 Certain Duties of Trustee Related to Delayed Payment of Proceeds. If the Trustee shall not have received a payment with respect to any Asset on its Due Date, (a) the Trustee shall promptly notify the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) in writing or electronically and (b) unless within three Business Days (or the end of the applicable grace period for such payment, if any) after such notice (x) such payment shall have been received by the Trustee or (y) the Issuer, in its absolute discretion (but only to the extent permitted by Section 10.2(a)), shall have made provision for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with Section 10.2(a), the Trustee shall, not later than the Business Day immediately following the last day of such period and in any case upon request by the Portfolio Manager, request the issuer of such Asset, the trustee under the related Underlying Instrument or paying agent designated by either of them, as the case may be, to make such payment not later than three

Business Days after the date of such request. If such payment is not made within such time period, the Trustee, subject to the provisions of clause (iv) of Section 6.1(c), shall take such action as the Portfolio Manager shall direct. Any such action shall be without prejudice to any right to claim a Default or Event of Default under this Indenture. If the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager requests a release of an Asset and/or delivers an additional Collateral Obligation in connection with any such action under the Portfolio Management Agreement, such release and/or substitution shall be subject to Section 10.7 and Article XII of this Indenture, as the case may be. Notwithstanding any other provision hereof, the Trustee shall deliver to the Issuer or its designee any payment with respect to any Asset or any additional Collateral Obligation received after the Due Date thereof to the extent the Issuer previously made provisions for such payment satisfactory to the Trustee in accordance with this Section 6.13 and such payment shall not be deemed part of the Assets.

Section 6.14 <u>Authenticating Agents</u>. Upon the request of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall, and if the Trustee so chooses the Trustee may, appoint one or more Authenticating Agents with power to act on its behalf and subject to its direction in the authentication of Notes in connection with issuance, transfers and exchanges under <u>Sections 2.4</u>, <u>2.5</u>, <u>2.6</u> and <u>8.6</u>, as fully to all intents and purposes as though each such Authenticating Agent had been expressly authorized by such Sections to authenticate such Notes. For all purposes of this Indenture, the authentication of Notes by an Authenticating Agent pursuant to this <u>Section 6.14</u> shall be deemed to be the authentication of Notes by the Trustee.

Any corporation into which any Authenticating Agent may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, consolidation or conversion to which any Authenticating Agent shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to the corporate trust business of any Authenticating Agent, shall be the successor of such Authenticating Agent hereunder, without the execution or filing of any further act on the part of the parties hereto or such Authenticating Agent or such successor corporation.

Any Authenticating Agent may at any time resign by giving written notice of resignation to the Trustee and the Issuer. The Trustee may at any time terminate the agency of any Authenticating Agent by giving written notice of termination to such Authenticating Agent and the Co-Issuers. Upon receiving such notice of resignation or upon such a termination, the Trustee shall, upon the written request of the Issuer, promptly appoint a successor Authenticating Agent and shall give written notice of such appointment to the Co-Issuers.

Unless the Authenticating Agent is also the same entity as the Trustee, the Issuer agrees to pay to each Authenticating Agent from time to time reasonable compensation for its services, and reimbursement for its reasonable expenses relating thereto as an Administrative Expense. The provisions of Sections 2.8, 6.4 and 6.5 shall be applicable to any Authenticating Agent.

Section 6.15 <u>Withholding</u>. If any withholding tax is imposed by applicable law on the Issuer's payments (or allocations of income) under the Notes, such tax shall reduce the amount otherwise distributable to the relevant Holder. The Trustee and any other Paying Agent are hereby authorized and directed to retain from amounts otherwise distributable to any Holder

sufficient funds for the payment of any such tax that is legally owed or required to be withheld by the Issuer, including in connection with FATCA (but such authorization shall not prevent the Trustee or any such other Paying Agent from contesting any such tax in appropriate Proceedings and withholding payment of such tax, if permitted by law, pending the outcome of such Proceedings), and to timely remit such amounts to the appropriate taxing authority. The amount of any withholding tax imposed with respect to any Notes shall be treated as Cash distributed to the relevant Holder at the time it is withheld by the Trustee or any other Paying Agent. If there is a reasonable possibility that withholding is required by applicable law, including in connection with FATCA, with respect to a distribution, the Paying Agent or the Trustee may, in its sole discretion, withhold such amounts in accordance with this Section 6.15. If any Holder or beneficial owner wishes to apply for a refund of any such withholding tax, the Trustee or such other Paying Agent shall reasonably cooperate with such Person in providing readily available information so long as such Person agrees to reimburse the Trustee or such Paying Agent for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred. Nothing herein shall impose an obligation on the part of the Trustee or any other Paying Agent to determine the amount of any tax or withholding obligation on the part of the Issuer or in respect of the Notes.

Section 6.16 Representative for Secured Noteholders Only; Agent for Each Other Secured Party and the Holders of the Subordinated Notes. With respect to the security interest created hereunder, the delivery of any item of Asset to the Trustee is to the Trustee as representative of the Secured Noteholders and agent for each other Secured Party and the Holders of the Subordinated Notes. In furtherance of the foregoing, the possession by the Trustee of any Asset (including without limitation as entitlement holder of the Custodial Account), the endorsement to or registration in the name of the Trustee of any Asset are all undertaken by the Trustee in its capacity as representative of the Secured Noteholders, and agent for each other Secured Party and the Holders of the Subordinated Notes.

Section 6.17 <u>Representations and Warranties of the Bank</u>. The Bank hereby represents and warrants as follows:

- (a) <u>Organization</u>. The Bank has been duly organized and is validly existing as a national banking association, and has the power to conduct its business and affairs as a trustee, paying agent, registrar, transfer agent and calculation agent.
- (b) <u>Authorization; Binding Obligations</u>. The Bank has the corporate power and authority to perform the duties and obligations of Trustee, Paying Agent, Registrar, Transfer Agent and Calculation Agent under this Indenture. The Bank has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture and all of the documents required to be executed by the Bank pursuant hereto. This Indenture has been duly authorized, executed and delivered by the Bank and constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of the Bank enforceable in accordance with its terms subject, as to enforcement, (i) to the effect of bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting generally the enforcement of creditors' rights as such laws would apply in the event of any bankruptcy, receivership, insolvency or similar event applicable to the Bank and (ii) to general equitable principles (whether enforcement is considered in a Proceeding at law or in equity).

- (c) <u>Eligibility</u>. The Bank is eligible under <u>Section 6.8</u> to serve as Trustee hereunder.
- (d) No Conflict. Neither the execution, delivery and performance of this Indenture, nor the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Indenture, (i) is prohibited by, or requires the Bank to obtain any consent, authorization, approval or registration under, any law, statute, rule, regulation, judgment, order, writ, injunction or decree that is binding upon the Bank or any of its properties or assets, or (ii) shall violate any provision of, result in any default or acceleration of any obligations under, result in the creation or imposition of any lien pursuant to, or require any consent under, any material agreement to which the Bank is a party or by which it or any of its property is bound.

ARTICLE VII

COVENANTS

Section 7.1 <u>Payment of Principal and Interest</u>. The Applicable Issuers shall duly and punctually pay the principal of and interest on the Secured Notes, in accordance with the terms of such Secured Notes and this Indenture pursuant to the Priority of Payments. The Issuer shall, to the extent funds are available pursuant to the Priority of Payments, duly and punctually pay all required distributions on the Subordinated Notes, in accordance with the Subordinated Notes and this Indenture.

The Issuer shall, subject to the Priority of Payments, reimburse the Co-Issuer for any amounts paid by the Co-Issuer pursuant to the terms of the Notes or this Indenture. The Co-Issuer shall not reimburse the Issuer for any amounts paid by the Issuer pursuant to the terms of the Notes or this Indenture.

Amounts properly withheld under the Code or other applicable law by any Person from a payment under the Notes shall be considered as having been paid by the Issuer to the relevant Holder for all purposes of this Indenture.

Section 7.2 <u>Maintenance of Office or Agency</u>. The Co-Issuers hereby appoint the Trustee as a Paying Agent for payments on the Notes and the Co-Issuers hereby appoint the Trustee as Transfer Agent at its applicable Corporate Trust Office, as the Co-Issuers' agent where Notes may be surrendered for registration of transfer or exchange. The Co-Issuers hereby appoint CT Corporation, as their agent upon whom process or demands may be served in any action arising out of or based on this Indenture or the transactions contemplated hereby.

The Co-Issuers may at any time and from time to time vary or terminate the appointment of any such agent or appoint any additional agents for any or all of such purposes; provided that (x) the Co-Issuers shall maintain in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, an office or agency where notices and demands to or upon the Co-Issuers in respect of such Notes and this Indenture may be served and, subject to any laws or regulations applicable thereto, an office or agency outside of the United States where Notes may be presented for payment; and (y) no Paying Agent shall be appointed in a jurisdiction which subjects payments

on the Notes to withholding tax in excess of any withholding tax imposed on such payments immediately before the appointment. The Co-Issuers shall at all times maintain a duplicate copy of the Register at the Corporate Trust Office. The Co-Issuers shall give prompt written notice to the Trustee, the Rating Agency and the Holders of the appointment or termination of any such agent and of the location and any change in the location of any such office or agency.

If at any time the Co-Issuers shall fail to maintain any such required office or agency in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or outside the United States, or shall fail to furnish the Trustee with the address thereof, presentations and surrenders may be made (subject to the limitations described in the preceding paragraph) at and notices and demands may be served on the Co-Issuers, and Notes may be presented and surrendered for payment to the applicable Corporate Trust Office, and notices and demands may be served on the Issuer or the Co-Issuer by mailing a copy thereof by registered or certified mail or by overnight courier, postage prepaid, to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, respectively, at its address for notices specified in Section 14.3.

Section 7.3 <u>Money for Note Payments to be Held in Trust</u>. All payments of amounts due and payable with respect to any Notes that are to be made from amounts withdrawn from the Payment Account shall be made on behalf of the Issuer by the Trustee or a Paying Agent with respect to payments on the Notes.

When the Applicable Issuers shall have a Paying Agent that is not also the Registrar, they shall furnish, or cause the Registrar to furnish, no later than the fifth calendar day after each Record Date a list, if necessary, in such form as such Paying Agent may reasonably request, of the names and addresses of the Holders and of the certificate numbers of individual Notes held by each such Holder.

Whenever the Applicable Issuers shall have a Paying Agent other than the Trustee, they shall, on or before the Business Day next preceding each Payment Date and any Redemption Date, as the case may be, direct the Trustee to deposit on such Payment Date or such Redemption Date, as the case may be, with such Paying Agent, if necessary, an aggregate sum sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due (to the extent funds are then available for such purpose in the Payment Account), such sum to be held in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto and (unless such Paying Agent is the Trustee) the Applicable Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee of its action or failure so to act. Any Monies deposited with a Paying Agent (other than the Trustee) in excess of an amount sufficient to pay the amounts then becoming due on the Notes with respect to which such deposit was made shall be paid over by such Paying Agent to the Trustee for application in accordance with Article X.

The initial Paying Agent shall be as set forth in Section 7.2. Any additional or successor Paying Agents shall be appointed by Issuer Order with written notice thereof to the Trustee; provided that so long as the Notes of any Class is rated by the Rating Agency, with respect to any additional or successor Paying Agent, such Paying Agent has (i) a CR Assessment of at least "Baa3(cr)" and "P-3(cr)" by Moody's (or, if such institution does not have a CR Assessment, either has (x) a long-term senior unsecured debt rating of at least "Baa3" from Moody's or (y) a short-term rating of "P-3" from Moody's) and (ii) a long-term issuer rating of

"A" or higher or a short-term issuer rating of "A-1" (or, if it has no short-term issuer rating, a long-term issuer rating of "A+" or higher) by S&P. If such successor Paying Agent ceases to have the minimum ratings described in the <u>clauses (i)</u> and <u>(ii)</u> of the immediately preceding sentence, the Co-Issuers shall remove such Paying Agent within 30 Business Days of the Co-Issuers receiving notice thereof and appoint a successor Paying Agent. The Co-Issuers shall not appoint any Paying Agent that is not, at the time of such appointment, a depository institution or trust company subject to supervision and examination by federal and/or state and/or national banking authorities. The Co-Issuers shall cause each Paying Agent other than the Trustee to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which such Paying Agent shall agree with the Trustee and if the Trustee acts as Paying Agent, it hereby so agrees, subject to the provisions of this Section 7.3, that such Paying Agent shall:

- (a) allocate all sums received for payment to the Holders of Notes for which it acts as Paying Agent on each Payment Date and any Redemption Date among such Holders in the proportion specified in the applicable Distribution Report to the extent permitted by applicable law;
- (b) hold all sums held by it for the payment of amounts due with respect to the Notes in trust for the benefit of the Persons entitled thereto until such sums shall be paid to such Persons or otherwise disposed of as herein provided and pay such sums to such Persons as herein provided;
- (c) if such Paying Agent is not the Trustee, immediately resign as a Paying Agent and forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums held by it in trust for the payment of Notes if at any time it ceases to meet the standards set forth above required to be met by a Paying Agent at the time of its appointment;
- (d) if such Paying Agent is not the Trustee, immediately give the Trustee notice of any default by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (or any other obligor upon the Notes) in the making of any payment required to be made; and
- (e) if such Paying Agent is not the Trustee, during the continuance of any such default, upon the written request of the Trustee, forthwith pay to the Trustee all sums so held in trust by such Paying Agent.

The Co-Issuers may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture or for any other purpose, pay, or by Issuer Order direct any Paying Agent to pay, to the Trustee all sums held in trust by the Co-Issuers or such Paying Agent, such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the same trusts as those upon which such sums were held by the Co-Issuers or such Paying Agent; and, upon such payment by any Paying Agent to the Trustee, such Paying Agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such Money.

Except as otherwise required by applicable law, any Money deposited with the Trustee or any Paying Agent in trust for any payment on any Notes and remaining unclaimed for two years after such amount has become due and payable shall be paid to the Applicable Issuers

on Issuer Order; and the Holder of such Notes shall thereafter, as an unsecured general creditor, look only to the Applicable Issuers for payment of such amounts (but only to the extent of the amounts so paid to the Applicable Issuers) and all liability of the Trustee or such Paying Agent with respect to such trust Money shall thereupon cease. The Trustee or such Paying Agent, before being required to make any such release of payment, may, but shall not be required to, adopt and employ, at the expense of the Applicable Issuers any reasonable means of notification of such release of payment, including, but not limited to, mailing notice of such release to Holders whose Notes have been called but have not been surrendered for redemption or whose right to or interest in Monies due and payable but not claimed is determinable from the records of any Paying Agent, at the last address of record of each such Holder.

Section 7.4 Existence of Co-Issuers. (a) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall, to the maximum extent permitted by applicable law, maintain in full force and effect their existence and rights as companies incorporated or organized under the laws of Bermuda and the State of Delaware, respectively, and shall obtain and preserve their qualification to do business as foreign corporations or companies, as applicable, in each jurisdiction in which such qualifications are or shall be necessary to protect the validity and enforceability of this Indenture, the Notes, or any of the Assets; provided that the Issuer shall be entitled to change its jurisdiction of incorporation from Bermuda to any other jurisdiction reasonably selected by the Issuer at the direction of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes so long as (i) the Issuer has received a legal opinion (upon which the Trustee may conclusively rely) to the effect that such change is not disadvantageous in any material respect to the Holders, (ii) written notice of such change shall have been given to the Trustee and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Rating Agency by the Issuer, which notice shall be promptly forwarded by the Trustee to the Holders and the Portfolio Manager and (iii) on or prior to the 15th Business Day following receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall not have received written notice from a Majority of the Controlling Class objecting to such change.

(b) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall ensure that all corporate or other formalities regarding their respective existences (including, if required, holding regular board of directors' and shareholders', or other similar, meetings) are followed. Neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency Proceeding. Without limiting the foregoing, (i) the Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries other than the Co-Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary and, prior to the Merger, the Warehousing SPE; (ii) the Co-Issuer shall not have any subsidiaries; and (iii) except to the extent contemplated in the Administration Agreement or the amended and restated declaration of trust dated the Closing Date, by Appleby Global Services (Cayman) Limited (x) the Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not (A) have any employees (other than their respective directors or managers to the extent they are employees), (B) except as contemplated by the Portfolio Management Agreement, the Memorandum and Articles or the Administration Agreement, engage in any transaction with any shareholder that would constitute a conflict of interest or (C) pay dividends other than in accordance with the terms of this Indenture and the Memorandum and Articles and (y) the Issuer and Co-Issuer shall (A) maintain books and records separate from any other Person, (B) maintain its accounts separate from those of any other Person, (C) not commingle its assets with those of any other

Person, (D) conduct its own business in its own name, (E) maintain separate financial statements, (F) pay its own liabilities out of its own funds, (G) maintain an arm's length relationship with its Affiliates, (H) use separate stationery, invoices and checks, (I) hold itself out as a separate Person, (J) correct any known misunderstanding regarding its separate identity and (K) have at least one director that is Independent of the Portfolio Manager.

- (c) The Issuer shall provide the Rating Agency with prior written notice of the formation of any Issuer Subsidiary and of the transfer of any asset to any Issuer Subsidiary.
- Section 7.5 Protection of Assets. (a) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall cause the taking of such action within the Portfolio Manager's control as is reasonably necessary in order to maintain the perfection and priority of the security interest of the Trustee in the Assets; provided that the Portfolio Manager shall be entitled to rely on any Opinion of Counsel delivered pursuant to Section 7.6 and any Opinion of Counsel with respect to the same subject matter delivered pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(iii) to determine what actions are reasonably necessary, and shall be fully protected in so relying on such an Opinion of Counsel, unless the Portfolio Manager has actual knowledge that the procedures described in any such Opinion of Counsel are no longer adequate to maintain such perfection and priority. The Issuer shall from time to time execute and deliver all such supplements and amendments hereto and file or authorize the filing of all such Financing Statements, continuation statements, instruments of further assurance and other instruments, and shall take such other action as may be necessary or as the Issuer determines to be advisable or desirable to secure the rights and remedies of the Holders of the Secured Notes hereunder and to:
 - (i) Grant more effectively all or any portion of the Assets;
 - (ii) maintain, preserve and perfect any Grant made or to be made by this Indenture including, without limitation, the first priority nature of the lien or carry out more effectively the purposes hereof;
 - (iii) perfect, publish notice of or protect the validity of any Grant made or to be made by this Indenture (including, without limitation, any and all actions necessary or desirable as a result of changes in law or regulations);
 - (iv) enforce any of the Assets or other instruments or property included in the Assets;
 - (v) preserve and defend title to the Assets and the rights therein of the Trustee and the Holders of the Secured Notes in the Assets against the claims of all Persons and parties; or
 - (vi) pay or cause to be paid any and all taxes levied or assessed upon all or any part of the Assets.

The Issuer hereby designates the Trustee as its agent and attorney in fact to prepare and file and hereby authorizes the filing of any Financing Statement, continuation

statement and all other instruments, and take all other actions, required pursuant to this <u>Section 7.5</u>. Such designation shall not impose upon the Trustee, or release or diminish, the Issuer's and the Portfolio Manager's obligations under this <u>Section 7.5</u>. The Issuer further authorizes and shall cause the Issuer's United States counsel to file without the Issuer's signature a Financing Statement that names the Issuer as debtor and the Trustee, on behalf of the Secured Parties, as secured party and that describes "all personal property of the Debtor now owned or hereafter acquired, other than Excepted Property" (and that defines "Excepted Property" in accordance with its definition herein) as the Assets in which the Trustee has a Grant.

(b) The Trustee shall not, except in accordance with <u>Sections 5.5</u>, <u>Section 10.7(a)</u>, (b) and (c) or <u>Section 12.1</u>, as applicable, permit the removal of any portion of the Assets or transfer any such Assets from the Account to which it is credited, or cause or permit any change in the Delivery made pursuant to <u>Section 3.3</u> with respect to any Assets, if, after giving effect thereto, the jurisdiction governing the perfection of the Trustee's security interest in such Assets is different from the jurisdiction governing the perfection at the time of delivery of the most recent Opinion of Counsel pursuant to <u>Section 7.6</u> (or, if no Opinion of Counsel has yet been delivered pursuant to <u>Section 7.6</u>, the Opinion of Counsel delivered at the Closing Date pursuant to <u>Section 3.1(a)(iii)</u>) unless the Trustee shall have received an Opinion of Counsel to the effect that the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to such property and the priority thereof shall continue to be maintained after giving effect to such action or actions.

Section 7.6 Opinions as to Assets. On or before March 7, in 2029 (and each five-year anniversary thereof), the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee and S&P an Opinion of Counsel relating to the security interest granted by the Issuer to the Trustee, to the effect that, as of the date of such opinion, the lien and security interest created by this Indenture with respect to the Assets remain in effect and is perfected and that no further action (other than as specified in such opinion) needs to be taken to ensure the continued effectiveness and perfection of such lien over the next 5 years.

Section 7.7 <u>Performance of Obligations</u>. (a) The Co-Issuers, each as to itself, shall not take any action, and shall use their best efforts not to permit any action to be taken by others, that would release any Person from any of such Person's covenants or obligations under any instrument included in the Assets, except in the case of enforcement action taken with respect to any Defaulted Obligation in accordance with the provisions hereof and actions by the Portfolio Manager under the Portfolio Management Agreement and in conformity with this Indenture or as otherwise required hereby.

(b) The Issuer shall notify the Rating Agency within 10 Business Days after it has received notice from any Noteholder, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager of any material breach of any Transaction Document, following any applicable cure period for such breach.

Section 7.8 <u>Negative Covenants</u>. (a) The Issuer shall not and, with respect to <u>clauses (ii), (iii), (iv), (vii), (vii), (ix), (x), (xii)</u> and <u>(xiv)</u> the Co-Issuer shall not, in each case from and after the Closing Date:

- (i) sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise encumber (or permit such to occur or suffer such to exist), any part of the Assets, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture and the Portfolio Management Agreement;
- (ii) claim any credit on, make any deduction from, or dispute the enforceability of payment of the principal or interest payable (or any other amount) in respect of the Notes (other than amounts withheld or deducted in accordance with the Code or any applicable laws of Bermuda or other applicable jurisdiction);
- (iii) (A) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness, other than the Notes, this Indenture and the transactions contemplated hereby or (B) (1) issue or co-issue, as applicable, any additional Class of securities except in accordance with Section 2.14, Section 3.2 or a Refinancing pursuant to Section 9.2 or (2) issue or co-issue, as applicable, any additional ordinary shares;
- (iv) (A) permit the validity or effectiveness of this Indenture or any Grant hereunder to be impaired, or permit the lien of this Indenture to be amended, hypothecated, subordinated, terminated or discharged, or permit any Person to be released from any covenants or obligations with respect to this Indenture or the Notes except as may be permitted hereby or by the Portfolio Management Agreement, (B) except as permitted by this Indenture, permit any lien, charge, adverse claim, security interest, mortgage or other encumbrance (other than the lien of this Indenture) to be created on or extend to or otherwise arise upon or burden any part of the Assets, any interest therein or the proceeds thereof, or (C) except as permitted by this Indenture, take any action that would permit the lien of this Indenture not to constitute a valid first priority security interest in the Assets;
- (v) amend the Portfolio Management Agreement except pursuant to the terms thereof and <u>Article XV</u> of this Indenture;
- (vi) so long as any Class of Notes issued by it is Outstanding, dissolve or liquidate in whole or in part, except as permitted hereunder or required by applicable law;
- (vii) pay any distributions other than in accordance with the Priority of Payments;
- (viii) permit the formation of any subsidiaries (except, in the case of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary and, for the avoidance of doubt, in connection with the merger, the Warehousing SPE) or, in the case of the Co-Issuer, permit to be enacted, or engage in, any division or plan of division under Delaware law (or any comparable event under a different jurisdiction's laws);
 - (ix) conduct business under any name other than its own;

- (x) have any employees (other than directors or managers to the extent they are employees);
- (xi) sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of Assets, or enter into an agreement or commitment to do so or enter into or engage in any business with respect to any part of the Assets, except as expressly permitted by both this Indenture and the Portfolio Management Agreement;
- (xii) fail to maintain an independent manager under the Co-Issuer's limited liability company agreement;
- (xiii) acquire any Collateral Obligations from the Retention Holder except pursuant to the terms of the Retention Undertaking Letter; or
 - (xiv) purchase any Notes issued hereunder (except pursuant to <u>Section 2.10</u>).
- (b) The Co-Issuer shall not invest any of its assets in "securities" as such term is defined in the Investment Company Act, and shall keep all of its assets in Cash.
- (c) The Issuer and the Co-Issuer shall not be party to any agreements without including customary "non-petition" and "limited recourse" provisions therein (and shall not amend or eliminate such provisions in any agreement to which it is party), except for Underlying Instruments and any agreements related to the purchase and sale of any Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments which contain customary (as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion) purchase or sale terms or which are documented using customary (as determined by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion) loan trading documentation.
- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Issuer shall not, and shall use its best efforts to ensure that the Portfolio Manager acting on the Issuer's behalf does not, acquire any asset, conduct any activity or take any action unless the acquisition or ownership of such asset, the conduct of such activity or the taking of such action, as the case may be, would not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net basis or income tax on a net income basis in any other jurisdiction. The requirements of this Section 7.8(d) insofar as they relate to U.S. federal income tax will be deemed to be satisfied if the Tax Guidelines have been complied with, so long as there has not been a change in law or any published guidance from the IRS that is relevant to a proposed action that the Portfolio Manager has actual knowledge at the time of such action, when considered in light of the other activities of the Issuer, would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes, or, to the extent it deviates from the Tax Guidelines, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager receive an opinion or written advice from Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP, or a written opinion of other nationally recognized U.S. tax counsel experienced in such matters, that, taking into account the relevant facts and circumstances and the Issuer's other activities, the Issuer's acquisition, entry into, ownership, enforcement or disposition of the asset will not cause the Issuer to be engaged in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax

purposes or otherwise subject the Issuer to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis; *provided* that neither the Portfolio Manager nor any officer or employee of the Portfolio Manager will be required to independently investigate the tax impact of an action in order to satisfy the "actual knowledge" element of this <u>Section 7.8(d)</u>.

In furtherance and not in limitation of Section 7.8(d), notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Issuer shall comply with the Tax Guidelines unless, with respect to a particular transaction, the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee have received an opinion or advice of Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP, or an opinion of other tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters, to the effect that the Issuer's contemplated activities will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis. The Tax Guidelines may be waived, amended, eliminated, modified or supplemented (without execution of an amendment to the Portfolio Management Agreement) if the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee have received advice of Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP, or an opinion of other tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters, to the effect that such waiver, amendment, elimination, modification or supplement, as applicable to the Issuer's contemplated activities, will not cause the Issuer to be engaged, or deemed to be engaged, in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis. For the avoidance of doubt, in the event advice of Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP, or an opinion of other tax counsel as described above, has been obtained in accordance with the terms hereof, no consent of any Holder shall be required in order to comply with this Section 7.8(e) in connection with the waiver, amendment, elimination, modification or supplementation of any provision of the Tax Guidelines contemplated by such advice or opinion of tax counsel.

Section 7.9 <u>Statement as to Compliance</u>. On or before March 6th, in each year commencing in 2025, or immediately if there has been a Default under this Indenture and prior to the issuance of any additional debt pursuant to <u>Section 2.14</u>, the Issuer, subject to <u>Section 14.3(c)</u>, shall deliver to the Rating Agency, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and the Administrator (to be forwarded by the Trustee or the Administrator, as applicable, to each Noteholder making a written request therefor) an Officer's certificate of the Issuer that, having made reasonable inquiries of the Portfolio Manager, and to the best of the knowledge, information and belief of the Issuer, there did not exist, as at a date not more than five days prior to the date of the certificate, nor had there existed at any time prior thereto since the date of the last certificate (if any), any Default hereunder or, if such Default did then exist or had existed, specifying the same and the nature and status thereof, including actions undertaken to remedy the same, and that the Issuer has complied with all of its obligations under this Indenture or, if such is not the case, specifying those obligations with which it has not complied.

Section 7.10 <u>Co-Issuers may Consolidate, etc. Only on Certain Terms</u>. Except for the Merger (which the Issuer is hereby expressly authorized to perform the actions necessary to consummate such Merger, including via first acquiring the shares of the Warehousing SPE via the Share Transfer), neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer (the "Merging Entity") shall

consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or, except as otherwise permitted under this Indenture, convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless permitted by Bermuda law (in the case of the Issuer) or United States and Delaware law (in the case of the Co-Issuer) and unless:

- (a) the Merging Entity shall be the surviving corporation, or the Person (if other than the Merging Entity) formed by such consolidation or into which the Merging Entity is merged or to which all or substantially all of the assets of the Merging Entity are transferred (the "Successor Entity") (A) if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, shall be a company organized and existing under the laws of Bermuda or such other jurisdiction approved by a Majority of the Controlling Class *provided* that no such approval shall be required in connection with any such transaction undertaken solely to effect a change in the jurisdiction of incorporation pursuant to Section 7.4, and (B) in any case shall expressly assume, by an indenture supplemental hereto, executed and delivered to the Trustee and each Holder, the due and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all Notes and the performance and observance of every covenant of this Indenture on its part to be performed or observed, all as provided herein;
- (b) the S&P Rating Condition shall have been satisfied with respect to such consolidation or merger;
- (c) if the Merging Entity is not the Successor Entity, the Successor Entity shall have agreed with the Trustee (i) to observe the same legal requirements for the recognition of such formed or surviving corporation as a legal entity separate and apart from any of its Affiliates as are applicable to the Merging Entity with respect to its Affiliates and (ii) not to consolidate or merge with or into any other Person or transfer or convey the Assets or all or substantially all of its assets to any other Person except in accordance with the provisions of this Section 7.10;
- if the Merging Entity is not the Successor Entity, the Successor Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer (and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Issuer shall have delivered to the Rating Agency) an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that such Person is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing in the jurisdiction in which such Person is organized; that such Person has sufficient power and authority to assume the obligations set forth in subsection (a) above and to execute and deliver an indenture supplemental hereto for the purpose of assuming such obligations; that such Person has duly authorized the execution, delivery and performance of an indenture supplemental hereto for the purpose of assuming such obligations and that such supplemental indenture is a valid, legal and binding obligation of such Person, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject only to bankruptcy, reorganization, insolvency, moratorium and other laws affecting the enforcement of creditors' rights generally and to general principles of equity (regardless of whether such enforceability is considered in a Proceeding in equity or at law); if the Merging Entity is the Issuer, that, immediately following the event which causes such Successor Entity to become the successor to the Issuer, (i) such Successor Entity has title, free and clear of any lien, security interest or charge, other than the lien and security interest of this Indenture and any other Permitted Lien, to the Assets securing all of the Notes and (ii) the Trustee continues to have a valid perfected first priority security interest in the Assets securing

all of the Secured Notes; and in each case as to such other matters as the Trustee or any Noteholder may reasonably require; *provided* that nothing in this <u>clause (ii)</u> shall imply or impose a duty on the Trustee to require such other documents;

- (e) immediately after giving effect to such transaction, no Default or Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing;
- (f) the Merging Entity shall have notified the Portfolio Manager and the Issuer (and, subject to Section 14.3(c), the Issuer shall have notified the Rating Agency) of such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and shall have delivered to the Trustee an Officer's certificate and an Opinion of Counsel each stating that such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance and such supplemental indenture comply with this Article VII and that all conditions precedent in this Article VII relating to such transaction have been complied with;
- (g) the Merging Entity shall have delivered to the Trustee an Opinion of Counsel stating that after giving effect to such transaction, neither of the Co-Issuers (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) shall be required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (h) after giving effect to such transaction, the outstanding stock of the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) shall not be beneficially owned within the meaning of the Investment Company Act by any U.S. person; and
- (i) the fees, costs and expenses of the Trustee (including any reasonable legal fees and expenses) associated with the matters addressed in this <u>Section 7.10</u> shall have been paid by the Merging Entity (or, if applicable, the Successor Entity) or otherwise provided for to the satisfaction of the Trustee.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall effect a Divisive Merger.

For the avoidance of doubt, none of the foregoing requirements of this <u>Section 7.10</u> shall apply to the Merger.

Section 7.11 <u>Successor Substituted</u>. Upon any consolidation or merger, or transfer or conveyance of all or substantially all of the assets of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer in accordance with <u>Section 7.10</u> in which the Merging Entity is not the surviving corporation, the Successor Entity shall succeed to, and be substituted for, and may exercise every right and power of, the Merging Entity under this Indenture with the same effect as if such Person had been named as the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, herein. In the event of any such consolidation, merger, transfer or conveyance, the Person named as the "Issuer" or the "Co-Issuer" in the first paragraph of this Indenture or any successor which shall theretofore have become such in the manner prescribed in this <u>Article VII</u> may be dissolved, wound up and liquidated at any time thereafter, and such Person thereafter shall be released from its liabilities as obligor and maker on all the Notes and from its obligations under this Indenture.

Section 7.12 No Other Business. The Issuer shall not have any employees (other than its directors to the extent they are employees) and shall not engage in any business or activity other than issuing or co-issuing, as applicable, selling, paying and redeeming the Notes and any additional securities issued or co-issued, as applicable, pursuant to this Indenture, acquiring, holding, selling, exchanging, redeeming and pledging, solely for its own account, the Assets and other incidental activities, including entering into the Transaction Documents to which it is a party and establishing and owning any Issuer Subsidiary and shall not engage in any activity that could reasonably cause the Issuer to be subject to U.S. federal or state income tax on a net income basis. The Issuer shall not hold itself out as originating loans, lending funds, making a market in loans or other assets or selling loans or other assets to customers or as willing to enter into, assume, offset, assign or otherwise terminate positions in derivative financial instruments with customers. The Issuer shall not loan any Collateral Obligation to a securities lending counterparty pursuant to a securities lending agreement. The Co-Issuer shall not engage in any business or activity other than co-issuing and selling the Class A Notes, the Class B Notes, the Class C Notes and the Class D Notes and any additional rated notes co-issued pursuant to this Indenture and other incidental activities. The Issuer and the Co-Issuer may amend, or permit the amendment of, their Memorandum and Articles or certificate of formation and limited liability company agreement, respectively, only if such amendment would satisfy the S&P Rating Condition.

Section 7.13 [Reserved]

Section 7.14 <u>Annual Rating Review</u>. (a) So long as any of the Secured Notes of any Class remain Outstanding, on or before March 6th in each year commencing in 2025, the Applicable Issuers shall obtain and pay for an annual review of the rating of each such Class of Secured Notes from the Rating Agency. The Applicable Issuers shall promptly notify the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager in writing (and the Trustee shall promptly provide the Holders with a copy of such notice) if at any time the then-current rating of any such Class of Secured Notes have been, or is known shall be, changed or withdrawn.

(b) The Issuer shall obtain and pay for a review by Moody's of a Collateral Obligation upon the occurrence of a material amendment to the terms thereof. The Issuer shall obtain and pay for an annual review of any Collateral Obligation which has a S&P Rating derived as set forth in clause (iii)(b) of the part of the definition of "S&P Rating."

Section 7.15 <u>Reporting</u>. At any time when the Co-Issuers are not subject to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act and are not exempt from reporting pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Exchange Act, upon the request of a Holder or beneficial owner of a Note, the Co-Issuers shall promptly furnish or cause to be furnished Rule 144A Information to such Holder or beneficial owner, to a prospective purchaser of such Note designated by such Holder or beneficial owner, or to the Trustee for delivery upon an Issuer Order to such Holder or beneficial owner, as the case may be, in order to permit compliance by such Holder or beneficial owner with Rule 144A under the Securities Act in connection with the resale of such Note. "Rule 144A

Information" shall be such information as is specified pursuant to Rule 144A(d)(4) under the Securities Act (or any successor provision thereto).

Section 7.16 <u>Calculation Agent</u>. (a) The Issuer hereby agrees that for so long as any Floating Rate Notes remain Outstanding there shall at all times be an agent appointed (which does not control or is not controlled or under common control with the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or their respective Affiliates) to calculate the Benchmark in respect of each Interest Accrual Period and Notional Accrual Period, as the case may be, in accordance with the terms of the definition of the Benchmark (the "Calculation Agent"). The Issuer hereby appoints the Collateral Administrator as Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent may be removed by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, at any time. If the Calculation Agent is unable or unwilling to act as such or is removed by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, shall promptly appoint a replacement Calculation Agent which does not control or is not controlled by or under common control with the Issuer or its Affiliates or the Portfolio Manager or its Affiliates. The Calculation Agent may not resign its duties or be removed without a successor having been duly appointed. For so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the guidelines of such exchange so require, notice of the appointment of any replacement calculation agent shall be sent by the Issuer to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

- The Calculation Agent shall be required to agree (and the Trustee, as Calculation Agent does hereby agree that), as soon as possible after 5:00 a.m. Chicago Time on each Interest Determination Date, on the U.S. Government Securities Business Day immediately following each Interest Determination Date, the Calculation Agent shall calculate the Interest Rate applicable to each Class of Floating Rate Notes during the related Interest Accrual Period or Notional Accrual Period, as the case may be, and the Note Interest Amount (in each case, rounded to the nearest cent, with half a cent being rounded upward) payable on the related Payment Date in respect of such Class of Floating Rate Notes in respect of the related Interest Accrual Period or Notional Accrual Period, as the case may be. At such time, the Calculation Agent shall communicate such rates and amounts to the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, each Paying Agent, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, Euroclear and Clearstream. The Calculation Agent shall also specify to the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Co-Issuers) and the Collateral Administrator the quotations upon which the foregoing rates and amounts are based, and in any event the Calculation Agent shall notify the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Co-Issuers) and the Collateral Administrator on every Interest Determination Date if it has not determined and is not in the process of determining any such Interest Rate or Note Interest Amount together with its reasons therefor. The Calculation Agent's determination of the foregoing rates and amounts for any Interest Accrual Period and any Notional Accrual Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding upon all parties.
- (c) Neither the Trustee nor the Calculation Agent shall be under any obligation (i) to monitor, determine or verify the unavailability or cessation of the Term SOFR Rate (or other applicable Benchmark), or whether or when there has occurred, or to give notice to any other transaction party of the occurrence of, any Benchmark Transition Event or Benchmark Replacement Date, (ii) to select, determine or designate any Benchmark or Fallback Rate, or other successor or replacement benchmark index, or determine whether any conditions

to the designation of such a rate have been satisfied, or (iii) to select, determine or designate any modifier to any replacement or successor index, (iv) to determine whether or what Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes are necessary or advisable, if any, in connection with any of the foregoing or (v) to calculate any Benchmark or other successor or replacement benchmark index to the extent that it is incapable of implementing such successor or replacement benchmark index operationally. Neither the Trustee nor the Calculation Agent shall be liable for any inability, failure or delay on its part to perform any of its duties set forth in the Transaction Documents as a result of the unavailability of the Term SOFR Rate (or other applicable Benchmark) and absence of a designated replacement Benchmark, including as a result of any inability, delay, error or inaccuracy on the part of any other transaction party, including without limitation the Portfolio Manager, in providing any direction, instruction, notice or information required or contemplated by the terms of the Transaction Documents and reasonably required for the performance of such duties. The Calculation Agent shall, in respect of any Interest Determination Date, have no liability for the application of the Benchmark as determined on the previous Interest Determination Date if so required under the definition of the Term SOFR or any Benchmark Conforming Changes. The Calculation Agent shall be entitled to rely upon direction provided by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager facilitating or specifying administrative procedures with respect to the calculation of any replacement Benchmark. For the avoidance of doubt, if the rate published by the Term SOFR Administrator (or successor source) is unavailable, neither the Calculation Agent nor the Trustee shall be under any duty or obligation to take any action other than the Calculation Agent's obligation to take the actions expressly set forth in herein. If the Calculation Agent at any time or times determines in its reasonable judgment that guidance is needed to perform its duties, or if it is required to decide between alternative courses of action, the Calculation Agent may (but is not obligated to) reasonably request guidance in the form of written instructions (or, in its sole discretion, oral instruction followed by written confirmation) from the Portfolio Manager, including without limitation in respect of facilitating or specifying administrative procedures with respect to the calculation of the Fallback Rate, on which the Calculation Agent shall be entitled to rely without liability. The Calculation Agent shall be entitled to refrain from action pending receipt of such instruction. In connection with each Floating Rate Obligation, the Trustee shall have no obligation to (i) monitor the status of the applicable Benchmark, (ii) determine whether a substitute index should or could be selected, (iii) determine the selection of any such substitution index and (iv) exercise any right related to the foregoing on behalf of the Issuer or any other Person, and none of the Trustee, the Calculation Agent or the Collateral Administrator shall have any responsibility or liability therefor.

(d) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section 7.16, from and after the first Interest Accrual Period to begin after the execution and effectiveness of the adoption of the Fallback Rate, "Term SOFR Rate" with respect to the Floating Rate Notes will be calculated by reference to the Fallback Rate. Neither the Calculation Agent nor the Portfolio Manager shall have any liability for any interest rate published by any publication that is the source for determining the interest rates of the Secured Notes, rates compiled by the CME Group Benchmark Administration Limited (CBA) or any successor thereto, or rates published by the FRB or on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Website.

- Section 7.17 <u>Certain Tax Matters.</u> (a) The Co-Issuers agree to treat the Co-Issuers and the Notes as described in the "Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" section of the Offering Circular for all U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes and to take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless required by law. For purposes of this <u>Section 7.17</u>, references to a Holder include any beneficial owner of an interest in a Note.
- The Issuer and Co-Issuer shall prepare and file, and the Issuer shall cause each Issuer Subsidiary to prepare and file, or in each case shall hire accountants and the accountants shall cause to be prepared and filed (and, where applicable, delivered to the Issuer or Holders) for each taxable year of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and the Issuer Subsidiary the federal, state and local income tax returns and reports as required under the Code, or any tax returns or information tax returns required by any governmental authority that the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Issuer Subsidiary are required to file (and, where applicable, deliver), and shall provide to each Holder any information that such Holder reasonably requests in order for such Holder to (i) comply with its federal, state, or local tax and information returns and reporting obligations, (ii) make and maintain a "qualified electing fund" ("QEF") election (as defined in the Code) with respect to the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary, (iii) file a protective statement preserving such Holder's ability to make a retroactive QEF election with respect to the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary (such information to be provided at such Holder's expense), or (iv) comply with filing requirements that arise as a result of the Issuer being classified as a "controlled foreign corporation" for U.S. federal income tax purposes (such information to be provided at such Holder's expense); provided that neither the Issuer nor the Co-Issuer shall file, or cause to be filed, any income or franchise tax return in the United States or any state of the United States unless it has obtained an opinion or advice from Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP or an opinion of other nationally recognized U.S. tax counsel experienced in such matters prior to such filing to the effect that, under the laws of such jurisdiction, the Issuer or Co-Issuer (as applicable) is required to file such income or franchise tax return.
- Notwithstanding any provision herein to the contrary, the Issuer will take, and will cause any Issuer Subsidiary to take, any and all reasonable actions (including appointing any agent or representative to perform the due diligence, withholding or reporting obligations of the Issuer or such Issuer Subsidiary) that it determines, based on the advice of tax counsel, may be necessary and appropriate to ensure that the Issuer or such Issuer Subsidiary satisfies any and all withholding and tax payment obligations under Code Sections 1441, 1442, 1445, 1471, 1472 and any other provision of the Code or other applicable law and to achieve compliance with FATCA so that no withholding tax is imposed under FATCA on payments to or for the benefit of the Issuer or such Issuer Subsidiary. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (i) the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary may withhold any amount that it or any adviser retained by it, or by the Trustee on its behalf, determines is required to be withheld from any amounts otherwise distributable to any Holder, (ii) if reasonably able to do so, the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary shall deliver or cause to be delivered an applicable IRS Form W-8 or successor applicable form and other properly completed and executed documentation, agreements, and certifications to each issuer, counterparty, paying agent, and/or to any applicable taxing authority or other governmental authority, and shall enter into any agreement with an applicable taxing authority or other governmental authority, as it determines, based on the advice of tax counsel, is necessary to

permit the Issuer or such Issuer Subsidiary to receive payments without withholding or deduction or at a reduced rate of withholding or deduction, and shall otherwise pay or cause to be paid any and all taxes levied or assessed upon all or any part of the Assets, and (iii) the Issuer shall obtain a Global Intermediary Identification Number from the IRS and comply with any requirements necessary to establish and maintain its status as a "reporting Model 1 FFI" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-1(b)(114).

The Trustee, the Registrar and the Paying Agent shall, at the cost of the Issuer, provide to the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager upon request all reasonably available information in the possession of the Trustee, the Registrar and the Paying Agent, as the case may be, by reason of its acting in such capacity hereunder, with respect to the Notes (including the identity and contact information for any Holder of Notes), and any payments on the Notes or the Assets (other than privileged or confidential information or information restricted from disclosure by applicable law) and if specifically requested by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager in connection with regulatory matters, including any information that is necessary or advisable in order for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (or its parent or Affiliates) to comply with regulatory requirements, including, for the avoidance of doubt, FATCA. The Trustee shall provide to the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager upon request a list of Holders (including beneficial owners who have provided the Trustee with a beneficial holder certificate for any purpose). The Trustee shall obtain and provide to the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager upon request a list of Agent Members holding positions in the Notes at the cost of the Issuer as an Administrative Expense to the extent funds are available to pay such expense. In connection with making the disclosure pursuant to this paragraph, the Trustee, Registrar and Paying Agent shall have no liability for any such disclosure or the accuracy thereof.

(d) Upon the Trustee's receipt of a written request of a Holder or written request of a Person certifying that it is an owner of a beneficial interest in Notes, delivered in accordance with the notice procedures of Section 14.3, for the information described in United States Treasury regulations section 1.1275-3(b)(l)(i) that is applicable to such Holder or beneficial owner, the Trustee shall forward such request to the Issuer and the Issuer shall cause its Independent accountants to provide promptly to the Trustee and such requesting Holder or owner of a beneficial interest in such Notes all of such information. Any additional issuance of the additional notes shall be accomplished in a manner that shall allow the Independent accountants of the Issuer to accurately calculate original issue discount income to holders of the additional notes.

(e) Prior to the time that:

(A) the Issuer would acquire or receive any asset in connection with a workout or restructuring of a Collateral Obligation that could cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or otherwise be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis; or

(B) any Collateral Obligation is modified in such a manner that could cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States or otherwise be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis;

the Issuer will either (x) organize one or more wholly-owned special purpose vehicles of the Issuer that are treated as corporations for U.S. federal income tax purposes (each, an "Issuer Subsidiary"), and contribute the right to receive such asset, or the Collateral Obligation that is the subject of the workout, restructuring, or modification to an Issuer Subsidiary, (y) contribute the right to receive such asset, or the Collateral Obligation that is the subject of the workout, restructuring or modification to an existing Issuer Subsidiary, or (z) sell the right to receive such asset, or the Collateral Obligation that is the subject of the workout, restructuring or modification, unless in each case the Issuer has received written advice of Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP or the opinion of another nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that the acquisition, receipt, ownership, and disposition of such Collateral Obligation or asset, or that the modification of such Collateral Obligation, as the case may be, will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis.

(f) [Reserved].

Each Issuer Subsidiary must at all times have at least one independent director meeting the requirements of an "Independent Director" as set forth in the Issuer Subsidiary's organizational documents, which organizational documents comply with any applicable Rating Agency rating criteria. The Issuer shall cause the purposes and permitted activities of any Issuer Subsidiary to be restricted solely to the acquisition, receipt, holding, management and disposition of Collateral Obligations referred to in clauses (A) and (B) of Section 7.17(e), and any assets, income and proceeds received in respect thereof (collectively, "Issuer Subsidiary Assets"), and shall require the Issuer Subsidiary to distribute 100% of the proceeds from such assets, including, without limitation, the proceeds of any sale of such assets, net of any tax or other liabilities, to the Issuer on or before the earliest Stated Maturity of the Secured Notes or at such earlier time designated at the sole discretion of the Portfolio Manager. At the request of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer will cause any Issuer Subsidiary to enter into a separate management agreement with the Portfolio Manager which agreement shall be substantially in the form of the Portfolio Management Agreement. Notice of any such separate management agreement and a copy of such agreement shall be provided to the Rating Agency. No supplemental indenture shall be necessary to permit the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf, to take any actions necessary to set up an Issuer Subsidiary. For the avoidance of doubt, any Issuer Subsidiary may distribute an Issuer Subsidiary Asset to the Issuer if the Issuer has received advice of Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP or the opinion of other nationally recognized tax counsel experienced in such matters to the effect that such distribution does not otherwise violate this Indenture and the acquisition, ownership, and disposition of such asset by the Issuer will not cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise cause the Issuer to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis.

- (h) With respect to any Issuer Subsidiary:
- (A) the Issuer shall not allow such Issuer Subsidiary to (i) purchase any assets, or (ii) acquire title to real property or a controlling interest in any entity that owns real property;
- (B) the Issuer shall ensure that such Issuer Subsidiary shall not sell, transfer, exchange or otherwise dispose of, or pledge, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise encumber (or permit such to occur or suffer such to exist), any part of such Issuer Subsidiary Assets, except as expressly permitted by this Indenture or the Portfolio Management Agreement;
- (C) the Issuer Subsidiary shall not elect to be treated as a "real estate investment trust" for U.S. federal income tax purposes;
- (D) the Issuer shall ensure that such Issuer Subsidiary shall not (i) have any employees (other than its directors), (ii) have any subsidiaries (other than any subsidiary of such Issuer Subsidiary which is subject, to the extent applicable, to covenants set forth in this <u>Section 7.17</u> applicable to an Issuer Subsidiary), or (iii) incur or assume or guarantee any indebtedness or hold itself out as liable for the debt of any other Persons;
- (E) the Issuer shall ensure that such Issuer Subsidiary shall not conduct business under any name other than its own;
- (F) the constitutive documents of such Issuer Subsidiary shall (i) provide that recourse with respect to costs, expenses or other liabilities of such Issuer Subsidiary shall be solely to the Issuer Subsidiary Assets and no creditor of such Issuer Subsidiary shall have any recourse whatsoever to the Issuer or its assets except to the extent otherwise required under applicable law and (ii) contain the limitations on powers set forth in the organizational documents of the Issuer as of the Closing Date;
- (G) the Issuer shall ensure that such Issuer Subsidiary shall file all tax returns and reports required to be filed by it and to pay all taxes required to be paid by it;
- (H) the Issuer shall notify the Trustee of the filing or commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by or before any arbiter or governmental authority against or affecting such Issuer Subsidiary;
- (I) the Issuer shall ensure that such Issuer Subsidiary shall not enter into any agreement or other arrangement that prohibits or restricts or imposes any condition upon the ability of such Issuer Subsidiary to pay dividends or other distributions with respect to any of its ownership interests;

- (J) the Issuer shall be permitted to contribute to an Issuer Subsidiary from time to time any Collateral Obligation that is expected to be converted into, or to distribute, an asset described in Section 7.17(e)(A) or Section 7.17(e)(B), and to take any actions and enter into any agreements, including any transfer with respect to the Collateral Obligation, to effect the transfer of asset to an Issuer Subsidiary;
- (K) the Issuer shall keep in full effect the existence, rights and franchises of each Issuer Subsidiary as a company or corporation organized under the laws of its jurisdiction and shall obtain and preserve its qualification to do business in each jurisdiction in which such qualification is or shall be necessary to preserve the Issuer Subsidiary Assets held from time to time by the related Issuer Subsidiary. In addition, the Issuer and each Issuer Subsidiary shall not take any action, or conduct its affairs in a manner, that is likely to result in its separate existence being ignored or in its assets and liabilities being substantively consolidated with any other Person in a bankruptcy, reorganization or other insolvency proceeding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Issuer shall be permitted to dissolve any Issuer Subsidiary upon the sale of the final Issuer Subsidiary Asset and all other assets held therein or upon the advice of counsel;
- (L) with respect to any Issuer Subsidiary, the parties hereto agree that any reports prepared by the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager or Collateral Administrator with respect to the Collateral Obligations shall indicate that the related Issuer Subsidiary Assets and related assets are held by the Issuer Subsidiary, shall refer directly and solely to the related Issuer Subsidiary Assets, and neither the Collateral Administrator nor the Trustee shall be obligated to refer to the equity interest in such Issuer Subsidiary;
- (M) the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee shall not cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer Subsidiary for the nonpayment of any amounts due hereunder until at least one year and one day, or any longer applicable preference period then in effect *plus* one day, after the payment in full of all the Offered Securities issued under this Indenture;
- (N) in connection with the organization of any Issuer Subsidiary and the contribution of any assets to such Issuer Subsidiary pursuant to this <u>Section 7.17</u>, such Issuer Subsidiary shall (I) establish one or more custodial and/or collateral accounts, as necessary, to hold the Issuer Subsidiary Assets and any proceeds thereof pursuant to an account control agreement, which accounts shall be subject to the same requirements as in <u>Section 10.1</u>; provided, however, that an Issuer Subsidiary Asset or any other asset shall not be required to be held in such a custodial or collateral account if doing so would be in violation of another agreement related to such Issuer Subsidiary Asset or any other asset; and (II) enter into a security agreement between such Issuer Subsidiary and the Issuer and any ancillary agreements (including any control agreements) pursuant to which such

Issuer Subsidiary grants a perfected, first-priority continuing security interest in all of its property to the Issuer;

- (O) the Issuer shall cause the Issuer Subsidiary to distribute, or cause to be distributed, the proceeds of Issuer Subsidiary Assets to the Issuer, in such amounts and at such times as shall be determined by the Portfolio Manager (any Cash proceeds distributed to the Issuer shall be deposited into the Interest Collection Subaccount or the Principal Collection Subaccount, as applicable, as determined in accordance with <u>subclause (P)</u> below); *provided* that the Issuer shall not cause any amounts to be so distributed unless all amounts in respect of any related tax liabilities and expenses have been paid in full or have been properly reserved for in accordance with GAAP;
- (P) notwithstanding the complete and absolute transfer of an Issuer Subsidiary Asset to an Issuer Subsidiary, for purposes of measuring compliance with the Concentration Limitations, the Collateral Quality Test, the Coverage Tests and Section 5.1(g) or for purposes of characterizing any Cash proceeds distributed to the Issuer as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, the ownership interests of the Issuer in an Issuer Subsidiary or any property distributed to the Issuer by an Issuer Subsidiary (other than Cash) shall be treated as a continuation of its ownership of the Issuer Subsidiary Asset that was transferred to such Issuer Subsidiary (and shall be treated as having the same characteristics as such Issuer Subsidiary Asset or of any asset received in consideration of such Issuer Subsidiary Asset was a Defaulted Obligation, the ownership interests of the Issuer in such Issuer Subsidiary Asset would have ceased to be a Defaulted Obligation if owned directly by the Issuer;
- (Q) any distribution of Cash by an Issuer Subsidiary to the Issuer shall be characterized as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds to the same extent that such Cash would have been characterized as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds if received directly by the Issuer;
- (R) if (i) any Event of Default occurs, the Notes have been declared due and payable (and such declaration shall not have been rescinded and annulled in accordance with this Indenture), and the Trustee or any other authorized party takes any action under this Indenture to sell, liquidate or dispose of the Assets, (ii) notice is given of any mandatory redemption, auction call redemption, Optional Redemption, Tax Redemption or clean-up call or other prepayment in full or repayment in full of all Notes Outstanding occurs, (iii) the earliest Stated Maturity has occurred, or (iv) irrevocable notice is given of any other final liquidation and final distribution of the Assets, however described, the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf shall (x) instruct each Issuer Subsidiary to sell each Issuer Subsidiary Asset and all other assets held by such Issuer Subsidiary for the Issuer and distribute the proceeds of such sale, net of any amounts

necessary to satisfy any related expenses and tax liabilities, to the Issuer in exchange for the equity security of or other interest in such Issuer Subsidiary held by the Issuer or (y) sell its interest in such Issuer Subsidiary;

- (S) (i) the Issuer shall not dispose of an interest in such Issuer Subsidiary if such interest is a "United States real property interest," as defined in Section 897(c) of the Code, and (ii) an Issuer Subsidiary shall not make any distribution to the Issuer if such distribution would cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade or business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or cause the Issuer to be subject to U.S. federal income tax on a net income basis; and
- (T) the Issuer shall provide, or cause to be provided, to the Rating Agency, written notice prior to the formation of an Issuer Subsidiary.
- (i) For the avoidance of doubt, notwithstanding anything in this <u>Section 7.17</u> or any other section of this Indenture to the contrary, neither the Accountants' Effective Date AUP Report as specified in <u>Section 7.18(c)</u> nor any of the reports prepared by the accountants pursuant to <u>Section 10.8</u> shall be provided to the Holders of the Notes or to the Rating Agency.
- (j) None of the debt obligations (as determined for U.S. federal income tax purposes) held by the Issuer may at any time consist of real estate mortgages as determined for purposes of section 7701(i) of the Code unless, based on an opinion or advice from Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP, or an opinion of other nationally recognized U.S. tax counsel experienced in such matters, the ownership or such debt obligations will not cause the Issuer to be treated as a taxable mortgage pool for U.S. federal income tax purposes.
- (k) The Issuer has not elected and will not elect to be treated as other than a corporation for U.S. federal, state or local income or franchise tax purposes and shall make any election necessary to avoid classification as a partnership or a disregarded entity for U.S. federal, state or local income tax purposes.
- (l) If the Issuer has purchased an interest and the Issuer is aware that such interest is a "reportable transaction" within the meaning of Section 6011 of the Code, and a Holder of a Subordinated Note (or any other Notes that are required to be treated as equity for U.S. federal income tax purposes) requests in writing information about any such transactions in which the Issuer is an investor, the Issuer shall provide, or cause its Independent accountants to provide, such information it has reasonably available that is required to be obtained by such Holder under the Code as soon as practicable after such request.

Each contribution by the Issuer to an Issuer Subsidiary as provided in this <u>Section 7.17</u> may be effected by means of granting a participation interest in the relevant asset to the Issuer Subsidiary, if such grant transfers ownership of such asset to the Issuer Subsidiary for U.S. federal income tax purposes based on an opinion or advice of Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley

Austin LLP or an opinion of other tax counsel of nationally recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters.

Section 7.18 <u>Effective Date; Purchase of Additional Collateral Obligations</u>. (a) The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to purchase, on or before the Effective Date, Collateral Obligations such that the Target Portfolio Par Condition is satisfied.

- (b) On behalf of the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager will direct the Trustee to, from time to time during the period from the Closing Date to and including the first Determination Date, use funds on deposit in the Ramp-Up Account to purchase additional Collateral Obligations. The Issuer shall use commercially reasonable efforts to acquire such Collateral Obligations that shall satisfy, on the Effective Date, the Concentration Limitations, the Collateral Quality Test and each Overcollateralization Ratio Test.
- Unless <u>clause</u> (d) and <u>clause</u> (e) below are applicable, within 30 days after the Effective Date, the Issuer shall provide, or cause the Portfolio Manager to provide the following documents: (i) to the Rating Agency, the Effective Date Report and (ii) to the Trustee, the Effective Date Report and accountants' agreed-upon procedures reports (A) comparing the identity of the issuer (it being understood that the same issuer may be referred to differently due to the use of abbreviations or shorthand references by different record keepers), principal balance, coupon/spread, stated maturity, Moody's Rating, Moody's Default Probability Rating, Moody's Industry Classification, S&P Rating, S&P Industry Classification and country of Domicile with respect to each Collateral Obligation as of the Effective Date and the information provided by the Issuer with respect to every other asset included in the Assets, by reference to such sources as shall be specified therein (the "Accountants' Effective Date Comparison AUP **Report**"), (B) recalculating as of the Effective Date the level of compliance with (1) the Target Portfolio Par Condition, (2) the Overcollateralization Ratio Tests, (3) the Concentration Limitations and (4) the Collateral Quality Tests (excluding the S&P CDO Monitor Test) (the "Accountants' Effective Date Recalculation AUP Report" and, together with the Accountants' Effective Date Comparison AUP Report, the "Accountants' Effective Date AUP Report"); and (C) specifying the procedures undertaken by them to review data and computations relating to such Accountants' Effective Date AUP Report. For the avoidance of doubt, the Effective Date Report shall not include or refer to the Accountants' Effective Date AUP Report.
- (d) If neither the Effective Date S&P Condition nor the S&P Rating Condition is satisfied prior to the date 30 days after the Effective Date (such occurrence constituting a "S&P Ramp-Up Failure"), then (A) the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) shall either (i) notify S&P that the Effective Date S&P Condition has been satisfied on or before the first Determination Date or (ii) request S&P to confirm, on or before the first Determination Date, that S&P shall not reduce or withdraw its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes and (B) if, by the first Determination Date, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) has not confirmed to S&P that the Effective Date S&P Condition has been satisfied or obtained the confirmation from S&P, each as described in the preceding clause (A) of this paragraph the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) shall instruct the Trustee to transfer amounts from the Interest Collection Subaccount to the Principal Collection Subaccount (to the extent such transfer shall not result in insufficient Interest Proceeds remaining to pay accrued and

unpaid interest on the Secured Notes on the first Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments) and may, prior to the first Payment Date, purchase additional Collateral Obligations in an amount sufficient to enable the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) to (I) confirm to S&P that the Effective Date S&P Condition has been satisfied or (II) obtain from S&P written confirmation of its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes; *provided* that, in lieu of complying with the preceding <u>clauses (A)</u> and <u>(B)</u>, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) may take such action, including but not limited to, a Rating Confirmation Redemption and/or transferring amounts from the Interest Collection Subaccount to the Principal Collection Subaccount as Principal Proceeds (for use in a Rating Confirmation Redemption).

- (e) Notwithstanding Sections 7.18(c) and 7.18(d), in lieu of complying with Sections 7.18(c)(ii)(A), 7.18(c)(ii)(B), Sections 7.18(d)(A) and 7.18(d)(B), the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) may take such action, including but not limited to, a Rating Confirmation Redemption and/or transferring amounts from the Interest Collection Subaccount to the Principal Collection Subaccount as Principal Proceeds (for use in a Rating Confirmation Redemption), sufficient to enable the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) to remedy such S&P Ramp-Up Failure.
- The failure of the Issuer to satisfy the requirements of this Section 7.18 (f) shall not constitute an Event of Default unless such failure constitutes an Event of Default under Section 5.1(d) hereof and the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager acting on behalf of the Issuer, has acted in bad faith. Of the proceeds of the issuance of the Notes which are not applied to pay for the purchase of Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer on or before the Closing Date (including, without limitation, repayment of any amounts borrowed by the Issuer in connection with the purchase of Collateral Obligations prior to the Closing Date) or to pay other applicable fees and expenses, funds shall be deposited in the Ramp-Up Account on the Closing Date in the amount specified in writing to the Trustee by the Issuer. At the direction of the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer), the Trustee shall apply amounts held in the Ramp-Up Account to purchase additional Collateral Obligations from the Closing Date to and including the Effective Date as described in clause (b) above. If on the Effective Date, any amounts on deposit in the Ramp-Up Account have not been applied to purchase Collateral Obligations, such amounts shall be applied as described in Section 10.3(c), and the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, shall notify S&P of any amounts transferred to the Interest Collection Subaccount from the Ramp-Up Account on the Effective Date.
- (g) <u>S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input.</u> If the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date has occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall elect the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input that shall on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date apply to the Collateral Obligations for purposes of measuring the satisfaction of the Weighted Average S&P Recovery Rate Test on each Measurement Date. Thereafter, at any time on written notice to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator (which notice shall be given no later with respect to any Monthly Report than the Determination Date related to such Monthly Report), the Portfolio Manager may elect a different S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input to apply to the Collateral Obligations; *provided*, that on each Measurement Date on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date on which satisfaction of the S&P CDO Monitor Test will be measured,

the Portfolio Manager may not select an S&P CDO Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input that is higher than the actual S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate at the time of selection.

- (h) <u>S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input</u>. If the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date has occurred, the Portfolio Manager shall elect the S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input that shall on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date apply to the Collateral Obligations for purposes of measuring the satisfaction of the S&P CDO Monitor Test on each Measurement Date. Thereafter, at any time on written notice to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator (which notice shall be given no later with respect to any Monthly Report than the Determination Date related to such Monthly Report), the Portfolio Manager may elect a different S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input to apply to the Collateral Obligations; *provided*, that on each Measurement Date on and after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date on which satisfaction of the S&P CDO Monitor Test will be measured, the Portfolio Manager may not select an S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input that is higher than the actual S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread at the time of selection.
- (i) At any time that the S&P CDO Monitor Test is not satisfied and would not be in compliance based on any S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input or S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input pursuant to the foregoing clauses (g) and (h), the Portfolio Manager shall select such inputs as follows: (A) if the actual Weighted Average Floating Spread is lower than the lowest S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input, the lowest S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input and (B) if the actual Weighted Average Recovery Rate is lower than the lowest S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input, the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input.

Section 7.19 <u>Representations Relating to Security Interests in the Assets.</u> (a) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and be deemed to be repeated on each date on which an Asset is Granted to the Trustee hereunder):

- (i) The Issuer owns such Asset free and clear of any lien, claim or encumbrance of any person, other than such as are created under, or permitted by, this Indenture and other than Permitted Liens.
- (ii) Other than the security interest Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, except as permitted by this Indenture, the Issuer has not pledged, assigned, sold, granted a security interest in, or otherwise conveyed any of the Assets. The Issuer has not authorized the filing of and is not aware of any Financing Statements against the Issuer that include a description of collateral covering the Assets other than any Financing Statement relating to the security interest granted to the Trustee hereunder or that has been terminated; the Issuer is not aware of any judgment, PBGC liens or tax lien filings against the Issuer.
- (iii) All Assets constitute Cash, accounts (as defined in Section 9-102(a)(2) of the UCC), Instruments, general intangibles (as defined in Section 9-102(a)(42) of the UCC), uncertificated securities (as defined in Section 8-102(a)(18) of the UCC),

Certificated Securities or security entitlements to financial assets resulting from the crediting of financial assets to a "securities account" (as defined in Section 8-501(a) of the UCC).

- (iv) All Accounts constitute "securities accounts" under Section 8-501(a) of the UCC or "deposit accounts" as defined in Section 9-102(a)(29) of the UCC.
- (v) This Indenture creates a valid and continuing security interest (as defined in Section 1-201(37) of the UCC) in such Assets in favor of the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties, which security interest is prior to all other liens, claims and encumbrances (except as permitted otherwise in this Indenture), and is enforceable as such against creditors of and purchasers from the Issuer.
- (b) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and be deemed to be repeated on each date on which an Asset is Granted to the Trustee hereunder), with respect to Assets that constitute Instruments:
 - (i) Either (x) the Issuer has caused or shall have caused, within ten (10) days after the Closing Date, the filing of all appropriate Financing Statements in the proper office in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law in order to perfect the security interest in the Instruments granted to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties or (y) (A) all original executed copies of each promissory note or mortgage note that constitutes or evidences the Instruments have been delivered to the Trustee or the Issuer has received written acknowledgement from a custodian that such custodian is holding the mortgage notes or promissory notes that constitute evidence of the Instruments solely on behalf of the Trustee and for the benefit of the Secured Parties and (B) none of the Instruments that constitute or evidence the Assets has any marks or notations indicating that they have been pledged, assigned or otherwise conveyed to any Person other than the Trustee, for the benefit of the Secured Parties.
 - (ii) The Issuer has received all consents and approvals required by the terms of the Assets to the pledge hereunder to the Trustee of its interest and rights in the Assets.
- (c) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and be deemed to be repeated on each date on which an Asset is Granted to the Trustee hereunder), with respect to the Assets that constitute Security Entitlements:
 - (i) All of such Assets have been and shall have been credited to one of the Accounts which are securities accounts within the meaning of Section 8-501(a) of the UCC. The Securities Intermediary for each such Account has agreed to treat all assets credited to such Accounts as "financial assets" within the meaning of Section 8-102(a)(9) the UCC.

- (ii) The Issuer has received all consents and approvals required by the terms of the Assets to the pledge hereunder to the Trustee of its interest and rights in the Assets.
- (iii) (x) The Issuer has caused or shall have caused, within ten (10) days after the Closing Date, the filing of all appropriate Financing Statements in the proper office in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law in order to perfect the security interest granted to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties, hereunder and (y) the Issuer has delivered to the Trustee a fully executed Account Control Agreement pursuant to which the Issuer has taken all steps necessary to cause the Custodian to identify in its records the Trustee as the person having a security entitlement against the Custodian in each of the Accounts.
- (iv) The Issuer has caused and shall cause all Cash to be credited to one of the Accounts that is a deposit account as defined in Section 9-102(a)(29) of the UCC.
- (v) The Accounts are not in the name of any person other than the Trustee. The Issuer has not consented to the Custodian to comply with the entitlement order of any Person other than the Trustee (and the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) prior to a notice of exclusive control being provided by the Trustee).
- (d) The Issuer hereby represents and warrants that, as of the Closing Date (which representations and warranties shall survive the execution of this Indenture and be deemed to be repeated on each date on which an Asset is Granted to the Trustee hereunder), with respect to Assets that constitute general intangibles:
 - (i) The Issuer has caused or shall have caused, within ten (10) days after the Closing Date, the filing of all appropriate Financing Statements in the proper filing office in the appropriate jurisdictions under applicable law in order to perfect the security interest in the Assets granted to the Trustee, for the benefit and security of the Secured Parties, hereunder.
 - (ii) The Issuer has received, or shall receive, all consents and approvals required by the terms of the Assets to the pledge hereunder to the Trustee of its interest and rights in the Assets.

The Co-Issuers agree to notify the Portfolio Manager and the Rating Agency promptly if they become aware of the breach of any of the representations and warranties contained in this Section 7.19.

Section 7.20 <u>Rule 17g-5 Compliance</u>. (a) To enable the Rating Agency to comply with their obligations under Rule 17g-5 promulgated under the Exchange Act ("**Rule 17g-5**"), the Issuer shall cause to be posted on a password-protected internet website initially located at https://www.17g5.com (such website, or such other website address as the Issuer may provide to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager and the Rating Agency, the "**17g-5 Website**"), at the same time such information is provided to the Rating Agency, all information the Issuer provides to the Rating Agency for the purposes of

determining the Initial Rating of the Secured Notes or undertaking credit rating surveillance of the Secured Notes (the "17g-5 Information").

- (b) Pursuant to the Collateral Administration Agreement, the Issuer has appointed the Collateral Administrator as its agent (in such capacity, the "Information Agent") to post to the 17g-5 Website any information that the Information Agent receives from the Co-Issuers, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or the Portfolio Manager (or their respective representatives or advisers) that is designated as information to be so posted.
- To the extent that any of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator or the Trustee is required to provide any information to, or communicate with, the Rating Agency in accordance with its obligations under this Indenture or the Portfolio Management Agreement or the Collateral Administration Agreement (as applicable), the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator or the Trustee, as applicable (or their respective representatives or advisers), shall provide such information communication the Information or to Agent apexclo2417g5@usbank.com, with the subject line specifically referring to "17g-5 Information" and "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.", or such other email address or subject line specified by the Information Agent in writing to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, Trustee and Collateral Administrator. The Information Agent shall promptly forward such information to the 17g-5 Website. All emails sent to the Information Agent pursuant to this Indenture shall only contain information to be posted to the 17g-5 Website and no other information, documents requests or communications. Each email sent to the Information Agent pursuant to this Indenture failing to be sent to such email address or which does not contain a subject line conforming to the requirements of this Section 7.20 shall be deemed incomplete and the Information Agent shall have no obligations with respect thereto.
- (d) Additionally, to the extent that (x) the Rating Agency makes an inquiry or initiates communications with the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator or the Trustee or (y) any such party initiates communication with the Rating Agency that, in either case, is relevant to such Rating Agency's credit rating surveillance of the Secured Notes, (i) all written responses to such inquiries or communications shall be provided to the Information Agent who shall promptly post such written response to the 17g-5 Website, and (ii) any such oral communications with the Rating Agency shall be either (a) recorded and an audio file containing the recording to be promptly delivered to the Information Agent for posting to the 17g-5 Website or (b) summarized in writing and the summary to be promptly delivered to the Information Agent for posting to the 17g-5 Website, and the Information Agent shall promptly post such information to the 17g-5 Website.
- (e) All 17g-5 Information shall be forwarded by email (to the extent such items are received by the Information Agent for such purpose) by the Information Agent to the 17g-5 Website. 17g-5 Information shall be posted by the Information Agent on the same Business Day of receipt provided that such 17g-5 Information is received by 12:00 p.m. (Eastern time) or, if received after 12:00 p.m. (Eastern time) on a Business Day (or at any time on a day that is not a Business Day), on the next Business Day. The Information Agent shall have no obligation or duty to verify, confirm or otherwise determine whether the 17g-5 Information being

delivered is accurate, complete, conforms to the transaction or otherwise is or is not anything other than what it purports to be. In the event that any 17g-5 Information is delivered or posted in error, the Information Agent may remove it from the 17g-5 Website, and shall so remove promptly when instructed to do so by the Person that delivered such information to the Information Agent. None of the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator or the Information Agent shall have obtained or shall be deemed to have obtained actual knowledge of any 17g-5 Information solely due to receipt and posting to the 17g-5 Website. Access shall be provided by the Issuer to the Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agency, and to any NRSRO upon receipt by the Issuer of an NRSRO Certification from such NRSRO (which may be submitted electronically via the 17g-5 Website).

- In connection with providing access to the 17g-5 Website, the Issuer may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. The Information Agent shall not be liable for unauthorized disclosure or use of any information made available on the 17g-5 Website (whether by the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agency, an NRSRO or any other third party that may gain access to the 17g-5 Website) and makes no representations or warranties as to the accuracy or completeness of information made available on the 17g-5 Website. The Information Agent shall not be responsible or liable for the dissemination of any identification numbers or passwords for the 17g-5 Website, including by the Issuer, the Rating Agency, the NRSROs, any of their agents or any other party. In no event shall the Information Agent be responsible for creating or maintaining the 17g-5 Website. The Information Agent shall have no liability for any failure, error, malfunction, delay, or other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Information Agent, associated with the 17g-5 Website. Information Agent shall not be responsible for and shall not be in default hereunder, or incur any liability for any act or omission, failure, error, malfunction or delays in carrying out any of its duties which results from (i) the Issuer's, Portfolio Manager's or any other party's failure to deliver all or a portion of the 17g-5 Information to the Information Agent; (ii) defects in the 17g-5 Information supplied by the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or any other party to the Information Agent; (iii) the Information Agent acting in accordance with 17g-5 Information prepared or supplied by any party; (iv) the failure or malfunction of the 17g-5 Website; or (v) any other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Information Agent. The Information Agent shall be under no obligation to make any determination as to the veracity or applicability of any 17g-5 Information provided to it hereunder, or whether any such Information is required to be maintained on the 17g-5 Website pursuant to this Indenture or under Rule 17g-5. For the avoidance of doubt, the Trustee and the Information Agent shall have no responsibility with respect to the 17g-5 Website or compliance by the Issuer with Rule 17g-5 or any other law or regulation related thereto.
- (g) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Indenture, a breach of this Section 7.20 shall not constitute a Default or an Event of Default.
- (h) For the avoidance of doubt, no reports of Independent accountants shall be provided to the Rating Agency hereunder and shall not be posted to the 17g-5 Website. In accordance with SEC Release No. 34-72936, Form 15-E, only in its complete and unedited form, which includes the Accountants' Effective Date Comparison AUP Report as an attachment, will be provided by the Independent accountants to the Issuer who will post or cause to be posted

such Form 15-E on the 17g-5 Website. Copies of the Accountants' Effective Date Recalculation AUP Report or any other agreed-upon procedures report provided by the Independent accountants to the Issuer will not be provided to any other party including the Rating Agency or posted on the 17g-5 Website.

Section 7.21 <u>EU Transparency Requirements</u>. The Issuer agrees to be designated pursuant to Article 7(2) of the EU Securitization Regulation as the responsible entity in respect of the requirements prescribed by Article 7(1) of the EU Securitization Regulation (as in effect as of the Closing Date). The Issuer undertakes to procure that the documents, reports and information prescribed by Article 7(1) of the EU Securitization Regulation (as in effect as of the Closing Date) are made available in the manner and at the times prescribed thereby. The Issuer shall be entitled (with the consent of the Portfolio Manager at the cost and expense of the Issuer, subject to and in accordance with the Priority of Payments) to appoint one or more Reporting Agents.

Section 7.22 <u>Maintenance of Listing</u>. So long as any Class of Notes that is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange remains Outstanding, the Co-Issuers shall use all reasonable efforts to maintain such listing.

ARTICLE VIII

SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

Section 8.1 <u>Supplemental Indentures without Consent of Holders of Notes.</u>
Without the consent of the Holders or beneficial owners of any Notes (except as expressly provided below) but with the written consent of the Portfolio Manager, the Co-Issuers, when authorized by Board Resolutions, and the Trustee at any time and from time to time subject to <u>Section 8.4</u>, may enter into one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in form satisfactory to the Trustee, for any of the following purposes:

- (i) to evidence the succession of another Person to the Issuer or the Co-Issuer and the assumption by any such successor Person of the covenants of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer herein and in the Notes;
- (ii) to add to the covenants of the Co-Issuers or the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties:
- (iii) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge any property to or with the Trustee or add to the conditions, limitations or restrictions on the authorized amount, terms and purposes of the issue, authentication and delivery of the Notes;
- (iv) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor Trustee and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one Trustee, pursuant to the requirements of Sections 6.9, 6.10 and 6.12 hereof;

- (v) to correct or amplify the description of any property at any time subject to the lien of this Indenture, or to better assure, convey and confirm unto the Trustee any property subject or required to be subjected to the lien of this Indenture (including, without limitation, any and all actions necessary or desirable as a result of changes in law or regulations, whether pursuant to Section 7.5 or otherwise) or to subject to the lien of this Indenture any additional property;
- (vi) to modify the restrictions on and procedures for resales and other transfers of Notes to reflect any changes in ERISA or other applicable law or regulation (or the interpretation thereof) or to enable the Co-Issuers to rely upon any exemption from registration under the Securities Act or the Investment Company Act or to remove restrictions on resale and transfer to the extent not required thereunder, including, without limitation, by reducing the Minimum Denomination of any Class of Notes;
- (vii) to take any action necessary or advisable for any Bankruptcy Subordination Agreement; and to (A) issue or incur new Notes in respect of, or issue one or more new sub-classes of, any Class of Notes, in each case with new identifiers (including, CUSIPs, ISINs and Common Codes, as applicable) in connection with any Bankruptcy Subordination Agreement; *provided* that any sub-class of a Class of Notes issued pursuant to this <u>clause (vii)</u> shall be issued on identical terms as, and rank *pari passu* in all respects with, the existing Notes of such Class and (B) provide for procedures under which beneficial owners of such Class that are not subject to a Bankruptcy Subordination Agreement may take an interest in such new Notes or sub-class(es);
- (viii) to make such changes as shall be necessary to permit the Co-Issuers (A) with the consent of the Portfolio Manager and a Majority of the Subordinated Notes, to issue or co-issue, as applicable, Junior Mezzanine Notes, provided that any such additional issuance, co-issuance, as applicable, of notes shall be issued or co-issued in accordance with this Indenture, including Sections 2.14 and 3.2; (B) to issue or co-issue, as applicable, additional notes of any one or more existing Classes, with the consent of (x) a Majority of the Controlling Class (other than with respect to an issuance of additional Subordinated Notes and/or Junior Mezzanine Notes) and (y) a Majority of the Subordinated Notes (with respect to an issuance of additional Subordinated Notes and/or Junior Mezzanine Notes), provided that any such additional issuance or co-issuance, as applicable, of securities shall be issued or co-issued, as applicable, in accordance with this Indenture, including Sections 2.14 and 3.2; (C) to issue or co-issue, as applicable, replacement securities in connection with a Refinancing in accordance with this Indenture and with the consent of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes and the Portfolio Manager; (D) with the consent of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes and the Portfolio Manager (as applicable, as described in Section 9.9) to lower the spread over the Benchmark or interest rate, as the case may be, of any Re-Priced Class in connection with a Re-Pricing; or (E) in connection with the issuance or incurrence of additional debt, a Refinancing or a Re-Pricing, with the consent of the Portfolio Manager, to make modifications that do not materially and adversely affect the rights or interest of Holders of any Class and are determined by the Portfolio Manager (in consultation with legal

counsel of national reputation experienced in such matters) to be necessary in order for such issuance or incurrence of additional debt, a Refinancing or a Re-Pricing not to be subject to any US Risk Retention Rules; *provided* that any such supplemental indenture under this <u>clause (viii)</u> may not modify this Indenture requirements for a Refinancing or a Re-Pricing (except for as set forth in subclause (E));

- (ix) to accommodate the settlement of the Notes in book-entry form through the facilities of DTC or otherwise;
- (x) to make such other non-material administrative changes as the Co-Issuers deem appropriate and that do not materially and adversely affect the interests of the Holders of any Class of Notes as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel delivered to the Trustee (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering the opinion) or a certificate of an Officer of the Portfolio Manager;
- (xi) to take any action necessary, advisable, or helpful to prevent the Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary from being subject to (or to otherwise minimize) withholding or other taxes, fees or assessments, including by complying with FATCA or similar provisions of non-U.S. law, or to reduce the risk that the Issuer may be treated as engaged in a trade or business within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise to prevent the Issuer from being subject to U.S. federal, state or local tax on a net income or entity level basis;
- (xii) to prevent either of the Co-Issuers or the pool of Assets from becoming an investment company or being required to register as an investment company under the Investment Company Act;
- (xiii) to correct any typographical or grammatical errors or to conform the provisions of this Indenture to the Offering Circular;
- (xiv) to make such changes (including the removal and appointment of any listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar in the country of any listing) as shall be necessary or advisable in order for any Class of Notes to be or remain listed on an exchange (including the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange), including such changes required or requested by any governmental authority, stock exchange authority, listing agent, transfer agent, paying agent or additional registrar for any Class of Notes, or to be de-listed from an exchange, if, in the sole judgment of the Portfolio Manager, the maintenance of the listing is unduly onerous or burdensome;
- (xv) with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class and a Majority of the Subordinated Notes, to amend, modify, enter into or accommodate the execution of any Hedge Agreement upon terms satisfactory to the Portfolio Manager; *provided* that any amendment to or modification of Section 16.1(i) of this Indenture would not materially and adversely affect the Initial Purchaser or any of its respective banking entity

affiliates, as evidenced by an Opinion of Counsel or an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager;

- (xvi) to amend the name of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer;
- (xvii) to modify any provision to facilitate an exchange of one obligation for another obligation of the same Obligor that has substantially identical terms except transfer restrictions, including to effect any serial designation relating to the exchange, so long as such modification would not permit the Issuer to own obligations that do not satisfy the definition of "Collateral Obligation";
- (xviii) to modify the representations of the Issuer as to Assets in this Indenture in order to conform to applicable laws;
- (xix) to amend, modify or otherwise accommodate changes to this Indenture to comply with any rule or regulation (or any interpretation thereof) (in consultation with legal counsel of national reputation experienced in such matters) enacted or implemented by regulatory agencies of the United States federal government or state or foreign government after the Closing Date that are applicable to the Notes;
- (xx) to modify the procedures herein relating to compliance with Rule 17g-5 under the Exchange Act;
- (xxi) (x) in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing involving the issuance or incurrence of additional debt, to accommodate the issuance of such additional debt and to establish the terms thereof (subject to <u>Article IX</u>) or (y) in connection with an Optional Redemption by Refinancing involving secured loans, to accommodate borrowings under such secured loans and to establish the terms thereof;
- (xxii) subject to the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class and the satisfaction of the S&P Rating Condition, to modify or amend any component of the S&P CDO Monitor Test (and any definitions or tests related thereto);
- (xxiii) to correct or supplement any inconsistent or defective provisions in this Indenture or to cure any ambiguity or omission in this Indenture; or
- (xxiv) to make such changes as shall be necessary or advisable in the reasonable judgment of the Portfolio Manager (to the extent not made pursuant to <u>Section 8.4(j)</u>) to facilitate a change to the Fallback Rate in accordance with the definition of "Benchmark";
- provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, Reset Amendments are not subject to any consent requirements that would otherwise apply to supplemental indentures described above or elsewhere in this Indenture.
- Section 8.2 <u>Supplemental Indentures with Consent of Holders of Notes</u>. The Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute one or more supplemental indentures to add provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any provisions of, this Indenture or modify in any

manner the rights of the Holders or beneficial owners of the Notes of any Class under this Indenture with the written consent of (1) the Portfolio Manager, (2) a Majority of each Class of Secured Notes materially and adversely affected thereby, if any (voting separately by class) and (3) a Majority of any Class of Subordinated Notes if any such Class of Subordinated Notes is materially and adversely affected thereby; *provided* that notwithstanding the foregoing,

- (A) without the express consent of each Holder or beneficial owner of each Outstanding Notes of each Class materially and adversely affected thereby, no such supplemental indenture described above may:
 - (i) change the Stated Maturity of the principal of or the due date of any installment of interest on any Secured Notes, reduce the principal amount thereof or the rate of interest thereon (except in a Re-Pricing) or the Redemption Price with respect to any Notes or the price at which the Notes of a non-consenting Holder will be purchased in connection with a Re-Pricing, or change the earliest date on which Notes of any Class may be redeemed or re-priced, change the provisions of this Indenture relating to the application of proceeds of any Assets to the payment of principal of or interest on the Secured Notes or distributions on the Subordinated Notes or change any place where, or the coin or currency in which, Notes or the principal thereof or interest or any distribution thereon is payable, or impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after the Stated Maturity thereof (or, in the case of redemption, on or after the applicable Redemption Date);
 - (ii) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders of Notes of each Class whose consent is required for the authorization of any such supplemental indenture or for any waiver of compliance with certain provisions of this Indenture or certain defaults hereunder or their consequences provided for in this Indenture;
 - (iii) materially impair or materially and adversely affect the Assets except as otherwise permitted in this Indenture;
 - (iv) except as otherwise permitted by this Indenture, permit the creation of any lien ranking prior to or on a parity with the lien of this Indenture with respect to any part of the Assets or terminate such lien on any property at any time subject hereto or deprive the Holder of any Secured Notes of the security afforded by the lien of this Indenture;
 - (v) reduce the percentage of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Holders or beneficial owner of any Class of Secured Notes whose consent is required to request the Trustee to preserve the Assets or rescind the Trustee's election to preserve the Assets pursuant to Section 5.5 or to sell or liquidate the Assets pursuant to Section 5.4 or 5.5;
 - (vi) modify any of the provisions of (x) this <u>Section 8.2</u>, except to increase the percentage of Outstanding Notes the consent of the Holders or beneficial owners of which is required for any such action or to provide that certain other provisions of this

Indenture cannot be modified or waived without the consent of each Holder or beneficial owner of the Notes Outstanding and affected thereby or (y) Section 8.1 or Section 8.4;

- (vii) modify the definition of the terms "Outstanding," "Class," "Controlling Class," "Majority," "Supermajority," "Redemption Price," or "Non-Call Period" or the Priority of Payments set forth in Section 11.1(a); or
- (viii) modify any of the provisions of this Indenture in such a manner as to affect the calculation of the amount of any payment of interest or principal on any Note or the price at which the Notes of a non-consenting Holder will be purchased in connection with a Re-Pricing, or to affect the rights of the Holders of any Notes to the benefit of any provisions for the redemption of such Notes contained herein; *provided*, that this Indenture may be amended without consent of the Holders pursuant to Section 8.1(xxiv);

provided that, with respect to any supplemental indenture which, by its terms, (x) provides for a Refinancing of all Classes of the Secured Notes in whole, but not in part, and (y) is consented to (and/or directed) by both the Portfolio Manager and a Majority of the Subordinated Notes, notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained or implied elsewhere in this Indenture, the Portfolio Manager may, without regard to any other consent requirement specified above or elsewhere in this Indenture, cause such supplemental indenture to also (a) effect an extension of the end of the Reinvestment Period, (b) establish a non-call period for the obligations or loans issued to replace such Secured Notes or prohibit a future refinancing of such replacement securities, (c) modify the Weighted Average Life Test, (d) provide for a stated maturity of such obligations or loans that is later than the Stated Maturity of the Secured Notes, (e) effect an extension of the Stated Maturity of the Subordinated Notes and/or (f) make any other supplements or amendments to this Indenture that would otherwise be subject to the consent rights set forth in this Article VIII (a "Reset Amendment").

- Section 8.3 <u>Supplemental Indentures with the Consent of the Controlling Class</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision under <u>Section 8.1</u> or <u>Section 8.2</u>, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class (but without the consent of the Holders of any other Class of Notes, except as specified in clause (i) below) and the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may enter into one or more supplemental indentures:
 - (i) to modify the definition of "Collateral Obligation" or the definition of "Credit Improved Obligation", "Credit Risk Obligation", "Collateral Quality Test", "Investment Criteria" or "Concentration Limitations", or, in each case, any of the definitions related thereto:
 - (ii) to conform to ratings criteria and other guidelines (including any alternative methodology published by the Rating Agency) relating to collateralized debt obligations in general published by the Rating Agency;

- (iii) to modify the terms of this Indenture in order that it may be consistent with the requirements of the Rating Agency, including to address any change in the rating methodology employed by the Rating Agency;
- (iv) to amend, modify or otherwise accommodate changes to this Indenture relating to the administrative procedures necessary to satisfy the S&P Rating Condition; or
- (v) to evidence any waiver by the Rating Agency as to any requirement in this Indenture that the Rating Agency confirm (or to evidence any other elimination of any requirement in this Indenture that the Rating Agency confirm) that an action or inaction by the Issuer or any other Person shall not result in a reduction or withdrawal of its then-current rating of any Class of Secured Notes as a condition to such action or inaction.

Section 8.4 <u>Execution of Supplemental Indentures</u>.

- (a) For so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, the Issuer shall notify the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange of any material modification to this Indenture.
- (b) With respect to any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article VIII that expressly requires a determination as to whether any Class of Notes would be materially and adversely affected thereby, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and may conclusively rely upon, an Opinion of Counsel (which may be supported as to factual (including financial and capital markets) matters by any relevant certificates and other documents necessary or advisable in the judgment of counsel delivering such Opinion of Counsel) or an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager (as applicable) as to whether or not any Class of Notes would be materially and adversely affected by any such supplemental indenture. In addition, in executing or accepting the additional trusts created by any supplemental indenture permitted by this Article VIII or the modifications thereby of the trusts created by this Indenture, the Trustee shall be entitled to receive, and (subject to Sections 6.1 and 6.3) shall be fully protected in relying upon, an Opinion of Counsel stating that the execution of such supplemental indenture is authorized or permitted by this Indenture and an Opinion of Counsel or an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager stating that all conditions precedent thereto have been satisfied. The Trustee shall not be liable for any reliance made in good faith upon such an Opinion of Counsel or such an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager. Such determination shall, in each case, be conclusive and binding on all present and future Holders and beneficial owners.
- (c) At the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes shall remain Outstanding, not later than 10 Business Days (or 5 Business Days if in connection with a Refinancing or a Re-Pricing) prior to the execution of any proposed supplemental indenture, the Trustee shall deliver to the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, each Hedge Counterparty and the Affected Noteholders a copy of such supplemental indenture or a description of the changes to be made by such supplemental indenture (which notice may be provided via posting on the Trustee's internet website for purposes of delivery such notice to

each Holder of Notes). Following such delivery by the Trustee, if any changes are made to such supplemental indenture other than (i) to correct typographical errors or to adjust formatting, (ii) to make changes described to Affected Noteholders in a previously delivered version of such proposed supplemental indenture, (iii) to implement the requirements of any rating agency rating any refinancing obligations issued pursuant to such proposed supplemental indenture or (iv) to make a modification to a Re-Pricing as contemplated by Section 9.9, then, at the cost of the Co-Issuers, for so long as any Notes shall remain Outstanding, not later than three Business Days prior to the execution of such proposed supplemental indenture (provided that the execution of such proposed supplemental indenture shall not in any case occur earlier than the date 10 Business Days or 5 Business Days, as the case may be, after the initial distribution of such proposed supplemental indenture pursuant to the first sentence of this Section 8.4(c)), the Trustee shall deliver to the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator and the Affected Noteholders a copy of such supplemental indenture as revised, indicating the nature of the changes that were made (which notice may be provided via posting on the Trustee's internet website for purposes of delivery such notice to each Holder of Notes). At the cost of the Issuer, for so long as any Class of Secured Notes shall remain Outstanding and such Class is rated by the Rating Agency, the Issuer shall provide to the Rating Agency a copy of any proposed supplemental indenture at least 10 Business Days (or 5 Business Days if in connection with a Refinancing or a Re-Pricing) prior to the execution thereof by the Trustee and, as soon as practicable after the execution of any such supplemental indenture, provide to such Rating Agency a copy of the executed supplemental indenture. Upon delivery of any proposed supplemental indenture in connection with which the Issuer expressly request the consent of any Holders of Notes, if a Holder has not affirmatively objected to such request for consent within 9 Business Days after request therefor, such Holder will be deemed to have irrevocably consented to such supplemental indenture. At the cost of the Co-Issuers, the Trustee shall provide to the Affected Noteholders (in the manner described in Section 14.4) a copy of the executed supplemental indenture after its execution (which notice may be provided via posting on the Trustee's internet website for purposes of delivery such notice to each Holder of Notes). Any failure of the Trustee to publish or deliver such notice, or any defect therein, shall not in any way impair or affect the validity of any such supplemental indenture.

- (d) It shall not be necessary for any Act of Holders to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient, if the consent of any Holders to such proposed supplemental indenture is required, that such Act shall approve the substance thereof.
- (e) The Portfolio Manager shall not be bound to follow any amendment or supplement to this Indenture unless it has consented thereto in accordance with this <u>Article VIII</u>. The Issuer shall not permit to become effective any supplemental indenture that modifies the obligations or liabilities, or any rights or privileges, of the Portfolio Manager or affects the amount or basis of calculation or priority of any fees payable to the Portfolio Manager unless the Portfolio Manager has been given prior written notice of such amendment and unless the Portfolio Manager has expressly consented thereto in writing.
- (f) The Trustee shall be directed to join in the execution of any supplemental indenture, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture or

other amendment to this Indenture which affects the Trustee's or its affiliates (or, if the Trustee is also the Collateral Administrator, the Collateral Administrator's) own rights, duties, liabilities or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, except to the extent required by law.

- (g) No amendment or supplement to this Indenture shall be effective against the Collateral Administrator if such amendment or supplement would adversely affect the Collateral Administrator, including, without limitation, any amendment or supplement that would increase the duties or liabilities of, or adversely change the economic consequences to, the Collateral Administrator, unless the Collateral Administrator otherwise consents in writing.
- (h) The Issuer shall not enter into any amendment or supplement to this Indenture that would reduce or eliminate any express right of the Retention Holder under this Indenture without the prior written consent of the Retention Holder.

(i) [Reserved.]

(j) If the Portfolio Manager determines that a Benchmark Transition Event and its related Benchmark Replacement Date have occurred prior to the Reference Time in respect of any determination of the Benchmark on any date, the Fallback Rate determined by the Portfolio Manager will replace the then-current Benchmark for all purposes relating to the Notes in respect of such determination on such date and all determinations on all subsequent dates. A supplemental indenture shall not be required in order to adopt the Fallback Rate. A supplemental indenture shall not be required in order to adopt the Fallback Rate.

In connection with the implementation of the Fallback Rate, the Portfolio Manager will have the right to make Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes from time to time. A supplemental indenture shall not be required in order to effectuate any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes, but a supplemental indenture may be adopted in accordance with Section 8.1(xxiv) in order to memorialize the Fallback Rate (and its related Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes) if determined by the Portfolio Manager (in its sole discretion) to be desirable.

Any determination, decision or election that may be made by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Section 8.4(j) including any determination with respect to a tenor, rate or adjustment of the occurrence or non-occurrence of an event, circumstance or date and any decision to take or refrain from taking any action or any selection, will be conclusive and binding absent manifest error, may be made in the Portfolio Manager's sole discretion, and, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the documentation relating to the securities, shall become effective without consent from any other party. The Portfolio Manager shall provide notice of the Fallback Rate or any Benchmark Replacement Conforming Changes to the Rating Agency.

Section 8.5 <u>Effect of Supplemental Indentures</u>. Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture under this <u>Article VIII</u>, this Indenture shall be modified in accordance therewith, and such supplemental indenture shall form a part of this Indenture for all purposes;

and every Holder or beneficial owner of Notes theretofore and thereafter authenticated and delivered hereunder shall be bound thereby.

Section 8.6 <u>Reference in Notes to Supplemental Indentures.</u> Notes authenticated and delivered as part of a transfer, exchange or replacement pursuant to <u>Article II</u> of Notes originally issued hereunder after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to this <u>Article VIII</u> may, and if required by the Issuer shall, bear a notice in form approved by the Trustee as to any matter provided for in such supplemental indenture. If the Applicable Issuers shall so determine, new Notes, so modified as to conform in the opinion of the Co-Issuers to any such supplemental indenture, may be prepared and executed by the Applicable Issuers and authenticated and delivered by the Trustee in exchange for Outstanding Notes.

ARTICLE IX

REDEMPTION OF NOTES

Section 9.1 <u>Mandatory Redemption</u>. If a Coverage Test is not met on any Determination Date on which such Coverage Test is applicable, the Issuer shall apply available amounts in the Payment Account to make payments on the Secured Notes pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

Section 9.2 Optional Redemption. (a) The Secured Notes shall be redeemable by the Applicable Issuers (x) in whole (with respect to all Classes of Secured Notes) but not in part on any Business Day after the end of the Non-Call Period from Sale Proceeds and/or Refinancing Proceeds (together with amounts available in the Collection Account and the Payment Account) if directed in writing by a Majority of the Subordinated Notes (and, solely in the case of a redemption from Refinancing Proceeds, with the consent of the Portfolio Manager) or the Portfolio Manager (with the consent of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes) or (y) in part by Class from Refinancing Proceeds and Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds (in the case of a Partial Redemption) (and, for the avoidance of doubt, if the applicable Partial Redemption Date otherwise falls on a Payment Date, after giving effect to the application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds in accordance with the relevant Priority of Payment on such Payment Date) on any Business Day after the end of the Non-Call Period if directed in writing by the Portfolio Manager (with the consent of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes), as long as the Secured Notes of each Class to be redeemed represent not less than the entire Class of such Secured Notes. In connection with any such redemption, the Secured Notes to be redeemed shall be redeemed at the applicable Redemption Price and the Person or Persons entitled to give the above described written direction must provide the above described written direction to the Issuer, the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager not later than 20 days (or such shorter period of time as the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager find reasonably acceptable) prior to the date on which such redemption is to be made; provided that all Secured Notes to be redeemed or prepaid must be redeemed or prepaid simultaneously.

(b) The Subordinated Notes may be redeemed at their Redemption Price, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day on or after the redemption or repayment in full of the Secured Notes and payment in full of all amounts then due and owing of the Co-Issuers, at the

direction of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes (which direction may be given in connection with a direction to redeem the Secured Notes or at any time after the Secured Notes have been redeemed or repaid in full) or the Portfolio Manager.

- (c) The Secured Notes may be redeemed in whole from Refinancing Proceeds and/or Sale Proceeds or in part by Class from Refinancing Proceeds (in each case together with amounts available in the Collection Account and the Payment Account) as provided in Section 9.2(a); provided that the terms of such Refinancing and any financial institutions acting as lenders thereunder or purchasers thereof must be acceptable to the Portfolio Manager and a Majority of the Subordinated Notes and such Refinancing otherwise satisfies the conditions described below. Prior to effecting any Refinancing, the Issuer shall, in relation to such Refinancing, provide notice to the Rating Agency. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, for the purposes of any Refinancing, each Pari Passu Class will constitute a separate class.
- In the case of a Refinancing upon a redemption or prepayment of the (d) Secured Notes in whole but not in part pursuant to Section 9.2(a), such Refinancing shall be effective only if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Issuer and the Trustee that (i) the Refinancing Proceeds, all Sale Proceeds, if any, from the sale of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments in accordance with the procedures set forth herein, and all other amounts available in the Collection Account and the Payment Account shall be at least sufficient to redeem or prepay simultaneously the Outstanding Secured Notes at the Redemption Price thereof and to pay all amounts (including all Administrative Expenses (other than expenses that the Portfolio Manager informs the Trustee will be paid solely as Administrative Expenses payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments on succeeding Payment Dates) then due and payable regardless of the Administrative Expense Cap) due and payable pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the Redemption Date prior to any distributions with respect to the Subordinated Notes, (ii) the Refinancing Proceeds, the Sale Proceeds, if any, and other available amounts in the Collection Account and the Payment Account are used (to the extent necessary) to make such redemption or prepayment, (iii) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse and non-petition provisions equivalent (mutatis mutandis) to those contained in Section 13.1(d) and Section 2.7(i) and (iv) if such Refinancing would potentially result (in the commercially reasonable judgment of the Retention Holder) in non-compliance (including if the Retention Holder would be required to acquire additional obligations of the Issuer) by the Retention Holder with the Retention Undertaking Letter or the US Risk Retention Rules applicable to it, the Retention Holder has consented to such Refinancing.
- (e) In the case of a Refinancing upon a redemption or prepayment of the Secured Notes in part by Class pursuant to Section 9.2(a), such Refinancing shall be effective only if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Issuer and the Trustee that (i) notice is provided to the Rating Agency in advance of such Refinancing becoming effective, (ii) the Refinancing Proceeds and the Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds (and, for the avoidance of doubt, if the applicable Partial Redemption Date otherwise falls on a Payment Date, after giving effect to the application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds in accordance with the relevant Priority of Payments on such Payment Date) shall be at least sufficient to pay in full the aggregate Redemption Prices of the entire Class or Classes of Secured Notes subject to Refinancing, (iii)

the Refinancing Proceeds and the Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds are used (to the extent necessary) to make such redemption or prepayment, (iv) the agreements relating to the Refinancing contain limited recourse and non-petition provisions equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in Section 13.1(d) and Section 2.7(i), (v) the stated maturity of each class of obligations providing the Refinancing is no earlier than the earliest Stated Maturity of each Class of Secured Notes being refinanced, (vi) the reasonable fees, costs, charges and expenses incurred in connection with such Refinancing have been paid or shall be adequately provided for from the Refinancing Proceeds and the Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds (except for expenses that the Portfolio Manager informs the Trustee shall be paid solely as Administrative Expenses payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments on succeeding Payment Dates), (vii) either: (1) the interest rate of each class of obligations providing the Refinancing shall not be greater than the Interest Rate of the corresponding Class of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing and (A) if such Secured Notes have a floating Interest Rate then the corresponding class of obligations providing the Refinancing will have a floating interest rate and (B) if such Secured Notes have a fixed Interest Rate then the corresponding class of obligations providing the Refinancing will have a fixed interest rate, or (2) if either (x) the Interest Rate payable on the applicable class of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing is a floating interest rate and the interest rate payable on the corresponding class of obligations providing the Refinancing for such Class is a fixed interest rate; (y) the Interest Rate payable on the applicable class of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing is a fixed interest rate and the interest rate payable on the corresponding class of obligations providing the Refinancing for such Class is a floating interest rate or (z) the interest rate of the corresponding class of obligations providing the Refinancing with respect to the Class of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing will be greater than the Interest Rate for such Class of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing and both the interest rate payable on such Class of Secured Notes and the corresponding class of obligations providing the Refinancing with respect to such Class are either (A) floating interest rates or (B) fixed interest rates, as applicable, then the weighted average, as determined by the Portfolio Manager (based on the aggregate principal amount of each Class of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing) of the spread over the Benchmark and/or the fixed interest rate, as applicable, of all classes of obligations providing such Refinancing shall be less than the weighted average (based on the aggregate principal amount of each such Class) of the spread over the Benchmark and/or the fixed interest rate, as applicable, with respect to all Classes of Secured Notes subject to such Refinancing; (viii) each class of obligations providing the Refinancing is subject to the Priority of Payments and does not rank higher in priority pursuant to the Priority of Payments than the corresponding Class of Secured Notes being refinanced, (ix) the voting rights, consent rights, redemption rights and all other rights of each class of obligations providing the Refinancing are the same as the rights of the corresponding Class of Secured Notes being refinanced (except that, at the Issuer's election, the non-call period with respect to any class of obligations providing the Refinancing may be extended as it applies to a subsequent Refinancing in part by Class or a Re-Pricing or any class of obligations providing the Refinancing may not be subject to a subsequent Refinancing in part by Class or a Re-Pricing), (x) the Refinancing is approved by a Majority of Subordinated Notes, (xi) the principal amount of the obligations of a given class providing the Refinancing is equal to the outstanding principal amount of the corresponding Class of Secured Notes being refinanced and (xii) the Issuer has received an opinion or advice from Allen & Overy LLP or Sidley Austin LLP, or an opinion of other tax counsel of nationally

recognized standing in the United States experienced in such matters, to the effect that such Refinancing will not (A) result in a deemed exchange for U.S. federal income tax purposes of any other Outstanding Class of Notes not subject to a Refinancing or (B) cause the Issuer to be treated as engaged in a trade of business in the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes or otherwise to become subject to U.S. federal income tax with respect to its net income.

- (f) The Holders of the Subordinated Notes shall not have any cause of action against any of the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator or the Trustee for any failure to obtain a Refinancing. If a Refinancing is obtained meeting the requirements specified above as certified by the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer and the Trustee shall amend this Indenture to the extent necessary to reflect the terms of the Refinancing and no further consent for such amendments shall be required from the Holders of Notes other than a Majority of the Subordinated Notes.
- (g) In the event of any redemption pursuant to this <u>Section 9.2</u>, the Issuer shall, at least 15 days prior to the Redemption Date (or such shorter period of time as the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager find reasonably acceptable), notify the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager in writing of such Redemption Date, the applicable Record Date, the principal amount of Secured Notes to be redeemed on such Redemption Date and the applicable Redemption Price; *provided* that failure to effect any Optional Redemption which is withdrawn by the Co-Issuers in accordance with this Indenture or with respect to which a Refinancing fails to occur will not constitute an Event of Default.
- (h) In connection with a Refinancing of all Classes of Secured Notes, a Majority of the Subordinated Notes and the Portfolio Manager may agree to designate Principal Proceeds in an amount up to the Excess Par Amount as Interest Proceeds (such designated amount, the "Designated Excess Par"), and direct the Trustee to apply such Designated Excess Par on such Redemption Date as Interest Proceeds in accordance with the Priority of Payments.
- Section 9.3 <u>Tax Redemption</u>. (a) The Notes shall be redeemed in whole but not in part on any Business Day (any such redemption, a "**Tax Redemption**") at their applicable Redemption Prices at the written direction (delivered to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager not later than 30 days (or such shorter period of time as the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager find reasonably acceptable) prior to the Business Day on which such redemption is to be made) of (x) a Majority of any Affected Class (voting separately by Class) or (y) a Majority of the Subordinated Notes, in either case, following the occurrence and during the continuation of a Tax Event.
- (b) Upon its receipt of such written direction directing a Tax Redemption, the Trustee shall promptly notify the Portfolio Manager, the Holders and the Issuer (which shall notify the Rating Agency) thereof.
- (c) If an Officer of the Portfolio Manager obtains actual knowledge of the occurrence of a Tax Event, the Portfolio Manager shall promptly notify the Issuer (which shall notify the Rating Agency), the Collateral Administrator, and the Trustee thereof, and upon

receipt of such notice the Trustee (on behalf of the Issuer) shall promptly notify the Holders of the Notes.

Section 9.4 <u>Redemption Procedures</u>. (a) Upon receipt of written notice of a redemption pursuant to <u>Section 9.2</u> or <u>9.3</u>, the Issuer (or the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer) shall deliver a notice (which notice may be provided via posting on the Trustee's internet website for purposes of delivering such notice to each Holder of Notes) of redemption not later than ten (10) days prior to the applicable Redemption Date, to each Holder of Notes at such Holder's address in the Register, and to the Rating Agency then rating a Class of Secured Notes. Notes called for redemption must be surrendered at the office of any Paying Agent. In addition, so long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and so long as the guidelines of such exchange so require, the notice of redemption to the Holders of such Notes shall also be sent to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

- (b) All notices of redemption delivered pursuant to <u>Section 9.4(a)</u> shall state:
- (i) the applicable Redemption Date;
- (ii) the Redemption Prices of the Secured Notes to be redeemed and, if applicable, the estimated Redemption Price of the Subordinated Notes;
- (iii) all of the Secured Notes that are to be redeemed are to be redeemed in full and that interest on such Secured Notes shall cease to accrue on the Payment Date specified in the notice;
- (iv) the place or places where the Secured Notes to be redeemed are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Prices, which shall be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in Section 7.2; and
- (v) if all Secured Notes are being redeemed, whether the Subordinated Notes are to be redeemed in full on such Redemption Date and, if so, the place or places where the Subordinated Notes are to be surrendered for payment of the Redemption Prices, which shall, with respect to the Notes, be the office or agency of the Co-Issuers to be maintained as provided in <u>Section 7.2</u>.
- (c) The Co-Issuers shall have the option to withdraw any notice of Optional Redemption or Tax Redemption by written notice to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager (x) in the case of an Optional Redemption effected in whole but not in part with Sale Proceeds, on any day up to and including the second Business Day prior to the scheduled Redemption Date, only if the Portfolio Manager has notified the Co-Issuers that it is unable to deliver such evidence or certifications in a form satisfactory to the Trustee and (y) in the case of an Optional Redemption effected in whole or in part with Refinancing Proceeds, up to and including the second Business Day prior to the scheduled Redemption Date only if the Portfolio Manager has notified the Co-Issuers and the Trustee that it is unable to obtain the applicable Refinancing on behalf of the Issuer. The failure to effect any Optional Redemption or Tax Redemption (x) which is so withdrawn in accordance with this Indenture or, (y) in the case of an Optional Redemption to be

effected with the proceeds of a Refinancing or Sale Proceeds, which fails, shall not constitute an Event of Default.

- (d) Notice of redemption pursuant to <u>Section 9.2</u> or <u>9.3</u> shall be given by the Co-Issuers or, upon an Issuer Order, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Co-Issuers. Failure to give notice of redemption, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Notes selected for redemption shall not impair or affect the validity of the redemption of any other Notes.
- Upon receipt of a notice of redemption of the Secured Notes from Sale (e) Proceeds pursuant to Section 9.2 (unless such Optional Redemption is being effected solely through a Refinancing) or Section 9.3, the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion shall direct the sale (and the manner thereof) of all or part of the Collateral Obligations and other Assets in accordance with clause (f) below such that the proceeds from such sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account and the Payment Account shall be at least sufficient to pay the Redemption Prices of the Outstanding Secured Notes and all amounts due and payable pursuant to the Priority of Payments on the related Redemption Date prior to any distributions with respect to the Subordinated Notes. If such proceeds of such sale and all other funds available for such purpose in the Collection Account and the Payment Account would not be sufficient to redeem or prepay all Secured Notes then required to be redeemed or prepaid and to pay such fees and expenses, the Secured Notes may not be redeemed or prepaid. The Portfolio Manager, in its sole discretion, may effect the sale of all or any part of the Collateral Obligations or other Assets through the direct sale of such Collateral Obligations or other Assets or by participation or other arrangement.
- Unless Refinancing Proceeds and/or Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds (in the case of a Partial Redemption) are being used to redeem or prepay the Secured Notes in whole or in part, in the event of any redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 or 9.3, no Secured Notes may be optionally redeemed or prepaid unless (i) at least five (5) Business Days before the scheduled Redemption Date the Portfolio Manager shall have furnished to the Trustee evidence, in a form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee (which may, at the Trustee's option, be in the form of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager in form reasonably acceptable to the Trustee), that the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer has entered into a binding agreement or agreements with a financial or other institution or institutions to purchase (directly or by participation or other arrangement), not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the scheduled Redemption Date in immediately available funds, all or part of the Assets and/or the Hedge Agreements at a purchase price at least sufficient, together with the proceeds from Eligible Investments maturing, redeemable or putable to the issuer thereof at par on or prior to the scheduled Redemption Date, any payments to be received in respect of any Hedge Agreements and all amounts available in the Collection Account and the Payment Account, to pay the Redemption Amount, (ii) at least five (5) Business Days prior to the scheduled Redemption Date, prior to selling any Collateral Obligations and/or Eligible Investments, the Portfolio Manager shall certify in writing to the Trustee that, in its judgment, the aggregate sum of (A) any expected proceeds from Hedge Agreements and expected proceeds from the sale of Eligible Investments (such sale to be completed at least two Business Days prior to the scheduled Redemption Date), together with the proceeds from Eligible Investments maturing, redeemable

or putable to the issuer thereof at par two Business Days prior to the related Redemption Date, (B) for each Collateral Obligation, the product of its Principal Balance and its Market Value (expressed as a percentage of the par amount of such Collateral Obligation), and (C) without duplication, all available amounts in the Collection Account and the Payment Account shall equal or exceed the Redemption Amount and, at least the Business Day prior to the scheduled Redemption Date the Portfolio Manager shall certify in writing to the Trustee that all proceeds have been collected and are equal to or exceed the Redemption Amount, or (iii) at least five (5) Business Days before the scheduled Redemption Date, the Portfolio Manager has furnished to the Trustee evidence in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee (which may, at the Trustee's option, be in the form of an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager, in form reasonably satisfactory to the Trustee) that the Portfolio Manager (or an Affiliate or agent thereof) has priced but not yet closed another collateralized loan obligation transaction or similar transaction (provided such transaction has closed two Business Days prior to the scheduled Redemption Date), the net proceeds of which shall at least equal, in each case, an amount sufficient, together with (x) the proceeds from Eligible Investments maturing, redeemable or putable to the issuer thereof at par two Business Days prior to the scheduled Redemption Date, (y) without duplication, any available amounts in the Collection Account and the Payment Account and (z) without duplication, the aggregate amount of the expected proceeds from the sale of the Assets and Eligible Investments not later than two Business Days immediately preceding the scheduled Redemption Date, to pay the Redemption Amount and, at least the Business Day prior to the scheduled Redemption Date the Portfolio Manager shall certify in writing to the Trustee that the transaction and sales provided for in this subclause (iii) have been completed and that all proceeds have been collected and are equal to or exceed the Redemption Amount. Any certification delivered by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to this Section 9.4(f) shall include (1) the prices of, and expected or collected proceeds (as applicable) from, the sale (directly or by participation or other arrangement) of any Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments and/or Hedge Agreements and (2) all calculations required by this Section 9.4(f). Any Holder or beneficial owner of Notes, the Portfolio Manager or any of the Portfolio Manager's Affiliates or accounts managed by it shall have the right, subject to the same terms and conditions afforded to other bidders, to bid on Assets to be sold as part of an Optional Redemption or Tax Redemption.

Section 9.5 Notes Payable on Redemption Date. (a) Notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.4 having been given as aforesaid, the Notes to be redeemed shall, on the Redemption Date, subject to Section 9.4(f) and the Co-Issuers' right to withdraw any notice of redemption pursuant to Section 9.4(c) or the failure of any Refinancing to occur, become due and payable at the Redemption Prices with respect thereto, and from and after the Redemption Date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of the Redemption Prices) all Secured Notes shall cease to bear interest on the Redemption Date. Upon final payment on a Note to be so redeemed, the Holder shall present and surrender such Note at the place specified in the notice of redemption on or prior to such Redemption Date. Payments of interest and principal on Secured Notes so to be redeemed which are payable on any Payment Date on or prior to the Redemption Date shall be payable to the Holders of such Secured Notes, or one or more predecessor Secured Notes, registered as such at the close of business on the relevant Record Date according to the terms and provisions of Section 2.7(e).

- (b) If any Secured Notes called for redemption shall not be paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal thereof shall, until paid, bear interest from the Redemption Date at the applicable Interest Rate for each successive Interest Accrual Period such Secured Notes remains Outstanding; *provided* that the reason for such non-payment is not the fault of such Noteholder.
- Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth herein, the proceeds from a Refinancing related to a redemption in part by Class and a Non-Payment Date Refinancing shall not constitute Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds but shall be applied directly on the related Redemption Date to redeem or prepay the Classes of Secured Notes subject to such redemption by Refinancing at the Redemption Price for such Classes of Secured Notes and to pay any fees, costs, charges and expenses incurred in connection with such Refinancing that are being paid from such proceeds; provided, that to the extent such Refinancing Proceeds are not applied to redeem or prepay such Classes of Secured Notes or to pay such other amounts, such Refinancing Proceeds shall be treated as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager. In addition, (i) on each Partial Redemption Date, unless an Enforcement Event has occurred and is continuing, Refinancing Proceeds and Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds will be applied in accordance with the Priority of Redemption Proceeds to redeem or prepay the Secured Notes being refinanced and to pay any Administrative Expenses in connection therewith and (ii) on each Non-Payment Date Refinancing, unless an Enforcement Event has occurred and is continuing, Refinancing Proceeds will be applied in accordance with the Priority of Redemption Proceeds to redeem the Secured Notes being refinanced and to pay any Administrative Expenses in connection therewith.

Section 9.6 Special Redemption. Principal payments on the Secured Notes shall be made in part in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment Date during the Reinvestment Period, if the Portfolio Manager at its sole discretion notifies the Trustee at least five (5) Business Days prior to the applicable Special Redemption Date that it has been unable, for a period of at least 20 consecutive Business Days, to identify additional Collateral Obligations that are deemed appropriate by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion and which would satisfy the Investment Criteria in sufficient amounts to permit the investment or reinvestment of all or a portion of the funds then in the Collection Account or in the Permitted Use Account that are to be invested in additional Collateral Obligations (a "Special Redemption"). On the first Payment Date following the Collection Period in which such notice is given (a "Special Redemption Date"), the amount in the Collection Account representing Principal Proceeds (including funds in the Permitted Use Account transferred to the Collection Account) which the Portfolio Manager has determined cannot be reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations (such amount, the "Special Redemption Amount") shall be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.6 shall be given by the Trustee not less than three Business Days prior to the applicable Special Redemption Date by email transmission or first class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of Secured Notes affected thereby at such Holder's email address or mailing address in the Register and, subject to Section 14.3(c), to the Rating Agency.

Section 9.7 <u>Rating Confirmation Redemption</u>. Principal payments on the Secured Notes shall be made in part in accordance with the Priority of Payments on any Payment

Date if the Portfolio Manager notifies the Trustee that a redemption is required pursuant to Section 7.18 in order to remedy an S&P Ramp-Up Failure (a "Rating Confirmation Redemption"). On the first Payment Date following the Collection Period in which such notice is given (a "Rating Confirmation Redemption Date"), the amount in the Collection Account representing Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds available in accordance with the Priority of Payments which must be applied in order for the Issuer to with respect to an S&P Ramp-Up Failure either (i) obtain confirmation from S&P of the Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes or (ii) satisfy the Effective Date S&P Condition shall, in each case of clauses (A) and (B), be applied in accordance with the Priority of Payments. Notice of payments pursuant to this Section 9.7 shall be given by the Trustee not less than one Business Day prior to the applicable Rating Confirmation Redemption Date by email transmission or first class mail, postage prepaid, to each Holder of Secured Notes affected thereby at such Holder's email address or mailing address in the Register and, subject to Section 14.3(c), to the Rating Agency.

Section 9.8 <u>Clean-Up Call Redemption</u>. (a) At the written direction of the Portfolio Manager (which direction shall be given so as to be received by the Issuer, the Trustee and the Rating Agency not later than 30 days prior to the proposed Redemption Date), the Secured Notes shall be subject to redemption by the Issuer, in whole but not in part (a "Clean-Up Call Redemption"), at the Redemption Price therefor, on any Business Day after the Non-Call Period on which the Collateral Principal Amount is less than 20% of the Target Portfolio Par.

- Any Clean-Up Call Redemption is subject to (i) the purchase of the Assets (other than the Eligible Investments referred to in clause (d) of this sentence) by the Portfolio Manager or any other Person from the Issuer, on or prior to the fifth Business Day immediately preceding the related Redemption Date, for a purchase price in Cash (the "Clean-Up Call Redemption Price") at least equal to the greater of (1) the sum of (a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes, plus (b) all unpaid interest on the Secured Notes accrued to the date of such redemption, plus (c) the aggregate of all other amounts owing by the Issuer on the date of such redemption that are payable in accordance with the Priority of Payments prior to distributions in respect of the Subordinated Notes (including, for the avoidance of doubt, all outstanding Administrative Expenses), minus (d) the balance of the Eligible Investments in the Collection Account and (2) the Market Value of such Assets being purchased, and (ii) the receipt by the Trustee from the Portfolio Manager, prior to such purchase, of certification from the Portfolio Manager that the sum so received satisfies clause (i). Upon receipt by the Trustee of the certification referred to in the preceding sentence, the Trustee (pursuant to written direction from the Issuer) and the Issuer shall take all actions necessary to sell, assign and transfer the Assets to the Portfolio Manager or such other Person upon payment in immediately available funds of the Clean-Up Call Redemption Price. The Trustee shall deposit such payment into the applicable sub-account of the Collection Account in accordance with the instructions of the Portfolio Manager.
- (c) Upon receipt from the Portfolio Manager of a direction in writing to effect a Clean-Up Call Redemption, the Issuer shall set the related Redemption Date and the Record Date for any redemption pursuant to this <u>Section 9.8</u> and give written notice thereof to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager and the Rating Agency not later

than 15 Business Days (or such shorter period of time as the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager may reasonably find acceptable) prior to the proposed Redemption Date.

- (d) Any notice of Clean-Up Call Redemption may be withdrawn by the Issuer up to the fourth Business Day prior to the related scheduled Redemption Date by written notice to the Trustee, the Rating Agency and the Portfolio Manager only if amounts equal to the Clean-Up Call Redemption Price are not received in full in immediately available funds by the fifth Business Day immediately preceding such Redemption Date. Notice of any such withdrawal of a notice of Clean-Up Call Redemption shall be given by the Trustee at the expense of the Issuer to each Holder of Notes to be redeemed or prepaid at such Holder's address in the Register, by overnight courier guaranteeing next day delivery not later than the third Business Day prior to the related scheduled Redemption Date.
- (e) On the Redemption Date related to any Clean-Up Call Redemption, the Clean-Up Call Redemption Price shall be distributed pursuant to the Priority of Payments.

Section 9.9 Optional Re-Pricing

- (a) On any Business Day after the Non-Call Period, a Majority of the Subordinated Notes (with the consent of the Portfolio Manager) or the Portfolio Manager may direct the Co-Issuers to reduce the spread over the Benchmark (or the fixed rate of interest, as the case may be) with respect to any Re-priceable Class of Secured Notes in accordance with the procedures described below (any such reduction, a "Re-Pricing" and any Re-priceable Class of Secured Notes to be subject to a Re-Pricing, a "Re-Priced Class"); provided that the Co-Issuers shall not effect any Re-Pricing of a Class of Secured Notes unless each condition specified below is satisfied with respect to such Class of Secured Notes thereto. No terms of any Secured Notes other than the Interest Rate applicable to such Secured Notes may be modified or supplemented in connection with a Re-Pricing. In connection with any Re-Pricing, the Issuer may engage a broker-dealer (the "Re-Pricing Intermediary") upon the recommendation and subject to the written approval of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes or the Portfolio Manager (as applicable) and such Re-Pricing Intermediary may assist the Issuer in effecting the Re-Pricing. For the avoidance of doubt, the Class A Notes shall not be subject to Re-Pricing.
- (b) At least 20 Business Days prior to the Business Day fixed by a Majority of the Subordinated Notes or the Portfolio Manager (as applicable) for any proposed Re-Pricing (the "Re-Pricing Date"), the Issuer, or the Re-Pricing Intermediary on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver a notice in writing (with a copy to the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Rating Agency) to each Holder of the proposed Re-Priced Class, which notice shall:
 - (i) specify the proposed Re-Pricing Date and the revised spread (or a range of spreads) over the Benchmark and/or the Interest Rate to be applied with respect to such Class (each, a "Re-Pricing Rate"),

- (ii) request that each Holder of the Re-Priced Class to consent to the terms of the proposed Re-Pricing or to specify the lowest spread (for Floating Rate Notes) or interest rate (for Fixed Rate Notes) at which the Holder will consent to Re-Pricing, and
- (iii) specify the price (or the formula for calculating the price) at which Notes of any Holder of the Re-Priced Class that does not consent to the Re-Pricing pursuant to Section 9.9(c) may be sold and transferred, which, for purposes of such Re-Pricing, will be an amount equal to 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of such Notes, plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon (including Deferred Interest and interest on any accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest, with respect to such Notes) (the "Re-Pricing Sale Price").
- (c) In the event any Holders of the Re-Priced Class does not deliver written consent to the proposed Re-Pricing on or before the date which is 10 Business Days prior to the proposed Re-Pricing Date, the Issuer, or the Re-Pricing Intermediary on behalf of the Issuer, shall, subject to the applicable procedures of DTC, deliver written notice thereof to the consenting Holders of the Re-Priced Class, specifying the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Re-Priced Class held by all such non-consenting Holders, and shall request each such consenting Holder to provide written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager and the Re-Pricing Intermediary (if any) if such Holder would like to purchase all or any portion of the Notes of the Re-Priced Class in an amount held by the non-consenting Holders (each such notice delivered by a consenting Holder, an "Exercise Notice") within five (5) Business Days of the date of such notice.
- (d) In the event that the Issuer receives Exercise Notices with respect to an amount equal to or greater than the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Re-Priced Class held by non-consenting Holders, the Issuer, or the Re-Pricing Intermediary on behalf of the Issuer, shall, subject to the applicable procedures of DTC, on the Re-Pricing Date, cause the sale and transfer of such Notes, without further notice to the non-consenting Holders thereof, to the Holders delivering Exercise Notices with respect thereto, *pro rata* based on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes such Holders indicated an interest in purchasing pursuant to their Exercise Notices (subject to reasonable adjustment, as determined by the Re-Pricing Intermediary, to comply with the applicable minimum denomination requirements and the applicable procedures of DTC).
- (e) In the event that the Issuer receives Exercise Notices with respect to less than the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Notes of the Re-Priced Class held by non-consenting Holders, the Issuer, or the Re-Pricing Intermediary on behalf of the Issuer, will, on the Re-Pricing Date, cause the sale and transfer of such Notes, without further notice to the non-consenting Holders thereof, to the Holders delivering Exercise Notices with respect thereto, and any excess Notes of the Re-Priced Class held by non-consenting Holders will be sold to one or more transferees designated by the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable, or the Re-Pricing Intermediary on behalf of the Co-Issuers or the Issuer, as applicable.
- (f) All sales of Notes to be effected pursuant to this <u>Section 9.9</u> shall be made at the Re-Pricing Sale Price with respect to such Notes, and shall be effected only if the related

Re-Pricing is effected in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture or with such modifications permitted by this Indenture. The Holder of each Note, by its acceptance of an interest in the Notes, agrees to the sale and transfer of its Notes in accordance with this Section 9.9 and agrees to cooperate with the Issuer, the Re-Pricing Intermediary (if any) and the Trustee to effect such sales and transfers. The Issuer, or the Re-Pricing Intermediary on behalf of the Issuer, shall deliver written notice to the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager not later than five (5) Business Days prior to the proposed Re-Pricing Date confirming that the Issuer has received written commitments to purchase all Notes of the Re-Priced Class held by non-consenting Holders. In order to give effect to the Re-Pricing, the Issuer may, to the extent necessary, obtain and assign a separate CUSIP or CUSIPs to the Notes of each Class held by consenting Holders or non-consenting Holders.

- (g) The Issuer shall not effect any proposed Re-Pricing unless:
- (i) the Co-Issuers and the Trustee have entered into a supplemental indenture dated as of the Re-Pricing Date solely to reduce the interest rate of the Re-Priced Class (and to make changes necessary to give effect to such reduction);
- (ii) confirmation has been received that all Notes of the Re-Priced Class held by non-consenting Holders have been sold and transferred pursuant to the provisions above;
 - (iii) the Rating Agency has been notified of such Re-Pricing;
- (iv) all expenses of the Issuer and the Trustee (including the fees of the Re-Pricing Intermediary and fees of counsel) incurred in connection with the Re-Pricing do not exceed the amount of Interest Proceeds that shall be available after taking into account all amounts required to be paid under the Priority of Payments on the subsequent Payment Date prior to the distribution of any remaining Interest Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes, unless such expenses have been paid or shall be adequately provided for by an entity other than the Issuer. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the fees of the Re-Pricing Intermediary payable by the Issuer shall not exceed an amount consented to by a Majority of the Subordinated Notes in writing;
- (v) all accrued and unpaid interest (including, to the extent applicable, Deferred Interest and interest accrued and unpaid Deferred Interest) on each Note subject to such Re-Pricing must be paid in full on such Re-Pricing Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments;
- (vi) the Issuer has provided to the Trustee an Officer's certificate from the Portfolio Manager to the effect that all conditions precedent to the Re-Pricing have been satisfied; and
- (vii) such Re-Pricing does not violate the laws, rules and regulations of the State of New York or the United States of America, each as applicable to the Issuer.

- (h) Notice of a Re-Pricing shall be given by the Trustee not less than three Business Days prior to the proposed Re-Pricing Date to each Holder of Notes of the Re-Priced Class (with a copy to the Portfolio Manager) specifying the applicable Re-Pricing Date and Re-Pricing Rate. Notice of Re-Pricing shall be given by the Trustee in the name of and at the expense of the Issuer. Failure to give a notice of Re-Pricing, or any defect therein, to any Holder of any Re-Priced Class shall not impair or affect the validity of the Re-Pricing or give rise to any claim based upon such failure or defect.
- (i) Any notice of a Re-Pricing may be withdrawn by a Majority of the Subordinated Notes or the Portfolio Manager (as applicable) on or prior to the fourth Business Day prior to the scheduled Re-Pricing Date by written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager (if applicable) and the Holders of the Subordinated Notes (if applicable) for any reason. Upon receipt of such notice of withdrawal, the Trustee shall send such notice to the Holders of Notes and the Rating Agency.

ARTICLE X

ACCOUNTS, ACCOUNTINGS AND RELEASES

Section 10.1 <u>Collection of Money</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, the Trustee may demand payment or delivery of, and shall receive and collect, directly and without intervention or assistance of any fiscal agent or other intermediary, all Money and other property payable to or receivable by the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, including all payments due on the Assets, in accordance with the terms and conditions of such Assets. The Trustee shall segregate and hold all such Money and property received by it in trust for the Holders of the Notes and shall apply it as provided in this Indenture.

Each account established under this Indenture shall be established and maintained (a) with a federal or state-chartered depository institution that has a long-term issuer credit rating of at least "A" by S&P or a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P or (b) in segregated trust accounts with the corporate trust department of a federal or state-chartered depository institution subject to regulations regarding fiduciary funds on deposit similar to Title 12 of the Code of Federal Regulations Section 9.10(b), in the case of any segregated trust account, (x) has a long-term counterparty risk assessment of at least "Baa3(cr)" by Moody's (or, if such entity does not have a counterparty risk assessment by Moody's a senior unsecured debt rating of at least "Baa3" by Moody's) or otherwise with a deposit rating of at least "A2" or a short-term debt rating of at least "P-1" by Moody's and (y) has a long-term issuer credit rating of at least "A" by S&P or a short-term rating of at least "A-1" by S&P, and, in each case, if such institution fails to satisfy the requirements specified above, the Trustee (at the direction of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall move the assets held in such Account within 30 calendar days to another institution that satisfies such requirements. Such institution shall have a combined capital and surplus of at least U.S.\$200,000,000. All cash deposited in the Accounts shall be invested only in Eligible Investments or Collateral Obligations in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

Section 10.2 Collection Account. (a) In accordance with this Indenture and the Account Control Agreement, the Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish two segregated securities accounts, one of which shall be designated the "Interest Collection Subaccount" and one of which shall be designated the "Principal Collection Subaccount" (and which together shall comprise the Collection Account), each held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee." The Trustee shall from time to time deposit into the Interest Collection Subaccount, in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.5(a), immediately upon receipt thereof or upon transfer from the Expense Reserve Account or Payment Account, all Interest Proceeds (unless simultaneously reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations, Specified Equity Securities or Loss Mitigation Obligations in accordance with Article XII). The Trustee shall deposit immediately upon receipt thereof or upon transfer from the Expense Reserve Account or Revolver Funding Account all other amounts remitted to the Collection Account into the Principal Collection Subaccount, including in addition to the deposits required pursuant to Section 10.5(a), (i) any funds designated as Principal Proceeds by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with this Indenture and (ii) all other Principal Proceeds (unless simultaneously reinvested in additional Collateral Obligations, Specified Equity Securities or Loss Mitigation Obligations in accordance with Article XII or in Eligible Investments). In addition, on or prior to the first Payment Date after the Effective Date, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may, by written direction to the Issuer and the Trustee, designate amounts in the Principal Collection Subaccount as Designated Principal Proceeds. Upon receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount representing Designated Principal Proceeds and deposit funds in the Interest Collection Subaccount as Interest Proceeds. The Issuer may, but under no circumstances shall be required to, deposit from time to time into the Collection Account, in addition to any amount required hereunder to be deposited therein, such monies received from external sources for the benefit of the Secured Parties (other than payments on or in respect of the Collateral Obligations, Eligible Investments or other existing Assets) as the Issuer deems, in its sole discretion, to be advisable, such funds to be deemed to be and held as Interest Proceeds and/or Principal Proceeds to the extent designated by the Portfolio Manager, such designation to be made on the day such monies are deposited into the Collection Account by the Issuer, by written instruction to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator. All Monies deposited from time to time in the Collection Account pursuant to this Indenture shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Assets and shall be applied to the purposes herein provided. Subject to Section 10.2(d), amounts in the Collection Account shall be reinvested pursuant to Section 10.5(a).

(b) The Trustee, within one Business Day after receipt of any distribution or other proceeds in respect of the Assets which are not Cash, shall so notify the Issuer and the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall use its commercially reasonable efforts to, within five (5) Business Days after receipt of such notice from the Trustee (or as soon as practicable thereafter), sell such distribution or other proceeds for Cash in an arm's length transaction and deposit the proceeds thereof in the Collection Account; *provided* that the Issuer (i) need not sell such distributions or other proceeds if it delivers an Issuer Order or an Officer's certificate to the Trustee certifying that such distributions or other proceeds constitute Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments, Defaulted Obligations or Equity Securities or (ii) may

otherwise retain such distribution or other proceeds for up to two years from the date of receipt thereof if it delivers an Officer's certificate to the Trustee certifying that (x) it shall sell such distribution within such two-year period and (y) retaining such distribution is not otherwise prohibited by this Indenture.

- At any time when reinvestment is permitted pursuant to Article XII, the (c) Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of such direction the Trustee shall, withdraw funds on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount representing Principal Proceeds (together with Interest Proceeds but only to the extent used to pay for accrued interest on an additional Collateral Obligation) and reinvest (or invest, in the case of funds referred to in Section 7.18) such funds in additional Collateral Obligations subject to, and in accordance with, the requirements of Article XII and such direction. At any time, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of such direction the Trustee shall, withdraw funds on deposit in (x) the Principal Collection Subaccount representing Principal Proceeds and deposit such funds in the Revolver Funding Account to meet funding requirements on Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations, Revolving Collateral Obligations or Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation. At any time pursuant to, and in accordance with the requirements of, Article XII, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of such direction the Trustee shall, withdraw funds on deposit in (x) the Principal Collection Subaccount representing Principal Proceeds or (y) the Interest Collection Subaccount representing Interest Proceeds and, in each case, exercise a warrant held in the Assets, or to purchase or acquire any Loss Mitigation Obligation or any Specified Equity Security in accordance with the requirements of Article XII and such direction; provided, that as determined by the Portfolio Manager, (A) Interest Proceeds may only be used if such use would not cause the deferral of interest on any Class of Secured Notes on the next following Payment Date and (B) Principal Proceeds may only be used if (other than with respect to the acquisition of any Uptier Priming Debt), after giving effect to the application of such Principal Proceeds, the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount is equal to or greater than the Reinvestment Target Par Balance.
- (d) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may direct the Trustee (with a copy to the Collateral Administrator) (which direction may be in the form of an Issuer Order or an email from an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager) to, and upon receipt of such direction the Trustee shall, pay from amounts on deposit in the Collection Account on any Business Day during any Interest Accrual Period (i) any amount required to exercise a warrant held in the Assets, or to purchase or acquire any Loss Mitigation Obligation or any Specified Equity Security in accordance with the requirements of Section 10.2(c), Article XII and such direction; provided, that for the avoidance of doubt, Principal Proceeds may not be used to acquire any Equity Security or Specified Equity Security and (ii) from Interest Proceeds only, any Administrative Expenses (such payments to be counted against the Administrative Expense Cap for the applicable period and to be subject to the order of priority as stated in the definition of Administrative Expenses); provided, that the aggregate Administrative Expenses paid pursuant to this Section 10.2(d) during any Collection Period shall not exceed the Administrative Expense Cap for the related Payment Date; provided, further, that the Trustee shall be entitled (but not required) without liability on its part, to refrain from making any such payment of an

Administrative Expense pursuant to this <u>Section 10.2</u> on any day other than a Payment Date if, in its reasonable determination, the payment of such amount is likely to leave insufficient funds available to pay in full each of the items described in <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)(A)</u> as reasonably anticipated to be or become due and payable on the next Payment Date, taking into account the Administrative Expense Cap.

- (e) The Trustee shall transfer to the Payment Account, from the Collection Account for application pursuant to <u>Section 11.1(a)</u>, on the Business Day immediately preceding each Payment Date, the amount set forth to be so transferred in the Distribution Report for such Payment Date.
- (f) The Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may by Issuer Order direct the Trustee to, and upon receipt of such Issuer Order the Trustee shall, (i) transfer from amounts on deposit in the Interest Collection Subaccount to the Principal Collection Subaccount, amounts necessary for application pursuant to, and to apply amounts in the Principal Collection Subaccount pursuant to, Sections 7.18(c) through (e), and/or (ii) apply amounts in the Principal Collection Subaccount pursuant to Section 9.6.

Section 10.3 <u>Transaction Accounts</u>. (a) <u>Payment Account</u>. In accordance with this Indenture and the Account Control Agreement, the Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee", which shall be designated as the Payment Account. Except as provided in <u>Section 11.1(a)</u>, the only permitted withdrawal from or application of funds on deposit in, or otherwise to the credit of, the Payment Account shall be to pay amounts due and payable on the Notes in accordance with their terms and the provisions of this Indenture and, upon Issuer Order, to pay Administrative Expenses, Portfolio Management Fees and other amounts specified herein, each in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable or beneficial interest in the Payment Account other than in accordance with this Indenture and the Account Control Agreement. Amounts in the Payment Account shall remain uninvested.

Control Agreement, the Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee," which shall be designated as the Custodial Account. All Collateral Obligations, Loss Mitigation Obligations or Equity Securities delivered to the Custodian will be credited to the Custodial Account. The only permitted withdrawals from the Custodial Account shall be in accordance with the provisions of this Indenture. The Trustee agrees to give the Co-Issuers immediate notice if (to the actual knowledge of a Trust Officer of the Trustee) the Custodial Account or any assets or securities on deposit therein, or otherwise to the credit of the Custodial Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process. The Co-Issuers shall not have any legal, equitable or beneficial interest in the Custodial Account

other than in accordance with this Indenture, the Priority of Payments and the Account Control Agreement.

- Ramp-Up Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish (c) a single, segregated non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee," which shall be designated as the Ramp-Up Account. The Issuer shall direct the Trustee to deposit the amount specified pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(xi)(A) to the Ramp-Up Account. In connection with any purchase of an additional Collateral Obligation, the Trustee shall apply amounts held in the Ramp-Up Account as provided by Section 7.18(b). On any Business Day during the period between the Effective Date and the second Determination Date, the Trustee, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) (with notice to the Collateral Administrator), shall deposit any amounts remaining in the Ramp-Up Account (after taking into account any proceeds that shall be used to settle binding commitments entered into prior to such date) into the Principal Collection Subaccount to be applied as Principal Proceeds. In addition, on or prior to the first Payment Date after the Effective Date, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may, by written notice to the Issuer and the Trustee, designate amounts in the Ramp-Up Account as Designated Principal Proceeds. Upon receipt of such notice, the Trustee shall withdraw funds on deposit in the Ramp-Up Account representing Designated Principal Proceeds and deposit such funds in the Interest Collection Subaccount as Interest Proceeds. Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Trustee shall deposit any remaining amounts in the Ramp-Up Account (after taking into account any proceeds that shall be used to settle binding commitments entered into prior to such date) into the Principal Collection Subaccount to be applied as Principal Proceeds. Any income earned on amounts deposited in the Ramp-Up Account shall be deposited in the Interest Collection Subaccount as Interest Proceeds.
- Expense Reserve Account. In accordance with this Indenture and the (d) Account Control Agreement, the Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee," which shall be designated as the Expense Reserve Account. The Issuer shall direct the Trustee to deposit the amount specified pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(xi)(B) to the Expense Reserve Account. On any Business Day from the Closing Date to and including the Determination Date relating to the first Payment Date following the Closing Date, the Trustee shall apply funds from the Expense Reserve Account, as directed by the Portfolio Manager, (i) to pay expenses of the Co-Issuers incurred in connection with the establishment of the Co-Issuers, the structuring and consummation of the Offering and the issuance of the Notes; or (ii) to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds. By the Determination Date relating to the first Payment Date following the Closing Date, all funds in the Expense Reserve Account (after deducting any expenses paid on such Determination Date) shall be deposited in the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds and/or Principal Proceeds (in the respective amounts directed by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion) and the Expense Reserve Account shall be closed. Any income earned on amounts deposited in the Expense Reserve Account shall be deposited in the Interest Collection Subaccount as Interest Proceeds as it is received.

- (e) Interest Reserve Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee," which shall be designated as the Interest Reserve Account. A portion of the proceeds from the issuance of the Notes in an amount equal to the Interest Reserve Amount shall be deposited in the Interest Reserve Account on the Closing Date. Amounts in the Interest Reserve Account shall be applied or withdrawn only as follows: (i) on or prior to the first Payment Date, the Portfolio Manager, in its discretion, may designate a portion of amounts on deposit in the Interest Reserve Account to be transferred to the Payment Account and applied as Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date and (ii) amounts remaining in the Interest Reserve Account after the first Payment Date shall be transferred to the Collection Account as Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds, as designated by the Portfolio Manager.
- (f) Permitted Use Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee" which shall be designated as the Permitted Use Account. Upon receiving a Contribution as described in Section 14.19, the Trustee will immediately deposit such Contribution into the Permitted Use Account. Funds on deposit in the Permitted Use Account may only be used, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer), for a Permitted Use (as designated by the related Contributor, or in the absence of such designation, as designated by the Portfolio Manager (in its sole discretion) at the time of designation to the Trustee) or for investment in Eligible Investments by the Trustee in accordance with this Indenture.
- If and to the extent that any Hedge Agreement requires the Hedge (g) Counterparty to post collateral with respect to such Hedge Agreement, the Issuer shall (at the direction of the Portfolio Manager), on or prior to the date such Hedge Agreement is entered into, direct the Trustee to establish a segregated, non-interest bearing securities account held in the name of the Trustee, which shall be designated as a Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account, and as to which the Trustee shall be the "entitlement holder" (within the meaning of Section 8-102(a)(7) of the UCC) in accordance with a securities account control agreement, upon terms determined by the Portfolio Manager and acceptable to the Trustee and U.S. Bank National Association as securities intermediary or depository bank (in each case, solely with regard to their respective duties, liabilities and protections thereunder), and in accordance with the related Hedge Agreement, as determined by the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee (as directed by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall deposit into each Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account all collateral received by it from the related Hedge Counterparty for posting to such account and all other funds and property received by it from or on behalf of the related Hedge Counterparty and identified or instructed by the Portfolio Manager to be deposited into the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account in accordance with the terms of the related Hedge Agreement. The only permitted withdrawals from or application of funds or property on deposit in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account shall be in accordance with the written instructions of the Portfolio Manager.

Section 10.4 The Revolver Funding Account. The Trustee shall, prior to the Closing Date, establish a single, segregated securities account held in the name of "Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., subject to the lien of U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee," which shall be designated as the Revolver Funding Account. The Issuer shall direct the Trustee to deposit the amount specified pursuant to Section 3.1(a)(xi)(D) to the Revolver Funding Account. Upon the purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation identified by written notice to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator, funds in an amount equal to the undrawn portion of such obligation shall be withdrawn first from the Ramp-Up Account and, if necessary, from the Principal Collection Subaccount and deposited in the Revolver Funding Account; provided, that if such Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation is a Participation Interest with respect to which the Selling Institution requires funds to be deposited with the Selling Institution in an amount equal to any portion of the undrawn amount of such obligation as collateral for the funding obligations under such obligation (such funds, collectively the "Institutional Collateral"), the Issuer shall deposit the Institutional Collateral with such Selling Institution rather than in the Revolver Funding Account (and the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf, shall notify and direct the Trustee in connection therewith), subject to the following sentence. Any such deposit of Institutional Collateral shall satisfy the following requirement, as determined by the Portfolio Manager: either (1) the aggregate amount of Institutional Collateral deposited with such Selling Institution under all Participation Interests shall not have an Aggregate Principal Balance in excess of 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount and shall not remain on deposit with such Selling Institution for more than 30 calendar days after such Selling Institution first fails to satisfy the rating requirements set out in the Third Party Credit Exposure Limits (and the terms of each such deposit shall permit the Issuer to withdraw the Institutional Collateral if such Selling Institution fails at any time to satisfy the rating requirements set out in the Third Party Credit Exposure Limits); or (2) such Institutional Collateral shall be deposited with a custodian meeting the requirements therefore as set out in Section 3.3(a) hereof.

Upon initial purchase of any such obligations, funds deposited in the Revolver Funding Account in respect of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation shall be treated as part of the purchase price therefor. At the direction of the Portfolio Manager (or as otherwise provided in this Indenture), amounts on deposit in the Revolver Funding Account shall be invested in overnight funds that are Eligible Investments selected by the Portfolio Manager pursuant to Section 10.5 and earnings from all such investments shall be deposited in the Interest Collection Subaccount as Interest Proceeds.

The Issuer shall at all times maintain sufficient funds on deposit in the Revolver Funding Account such that the sum of the amount of funds on deposit in the Revolver Funding Account shall be equal to or greater than the sum of the unfunded funding obligations under all such Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations, Revolving Collateral Obligations and Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligations then included in the Assets. Funds shall be deposited in the Revolver Funding Account upon the purchase of any Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, Revolving Collateral Obligation or Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligation and upon the

receipt by the Issuer of any Principal Proceeds with respect to a Revolving Collateral Obligation as directed by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer. In the event of any shortfall in the Revolver Funding Account, the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) may direct the Trustee to, and the Trustee thereafter shall, transfer funds in an amount equal to such shortfall from the Principal Collection Subaccount to the Revolver Funding Account.

Any funds in the Revolver Funding Account (other than earnings from Eligible Investments therein) shall be available at the direction of the Portfolio Manager solely to cover any drawdowns on the Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations, Revolving Collateral Obligations and Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligations; *provided*, that any excess of (A) the amounts on deposit in the Revolver Funding Account over (B) the sum of the unfunded funding obligations under all Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations, Revolving Collateral Obligations and Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligations that are included in the Assets may be transferred by the Trustee (at the written direction of the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) from time to time as Principal Proceeds to the Principal Collection Subaccount.

Section 10.5 Reinvestment of Funds in Accounts; Reports by Trustee. (a) By Issuer Order (which may be in the form of standing instructions), the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall at all times direct the Trustee to, and, upon receipt of such Issuer Order, the Trustee shall, invest all funds on deposit in the Collection Account, the Ramp-Up Account, the Revolver Funding Account, the Interest Reserve Account and the Expense Reserve Account, as so directed in Eligible Investments having stated maturities no later than the Business Day preceding the next Payment Date (or such shorter maturities expressly provided herein). If prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Issuer shall not have given any such investment directions, the Trustee shall seek instructions from the Portfolio Manager within three Business Days after transfer of any funds to such accounts. If the Trustee does not thereafter receive written instructions from the Portfolio Manager within five (5) Business Days after transfer of such funds to such accounts, it shall invest and reinvest the funds held in such accounts, as fully as practicable, in the Standby Directed Investment. If after the occurrence of an Event of Default, the Issuer shall not have given such investment directions to the Trustee for three consecutive days, the Trustee shall invest and reinvest such Monies as fully as practicable in the Standby Directed Investment unless and until contrary investment instructions as provided in the preceding sentence are received or the Trustee receives a written instruction from the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, changing the Standby Directed Investment. Except to the extent expressly provided otherwise herein, all interest and other income from such investments shall be deposited in the Interest Collection Subaccount, any gain realized from such investments shall be credited to the Principal Collection Subaccount upon receipt, and any loss resulting from such investments shall be charged to the Principal Collection Subaccount. The Trustee shall not in any way be held liable by reason of any insufficiency of such accounts which results from any loss relating to any such investment, provided that nothing herein shall relieve the Bank of (i) its obligations or liabilities under any security or obligation issued by the Bank or any Affiliate thereof or (ii) liability for any loss resulting from gross negligence, willful misconduct or fraud on the part of the Bank or any Affiliate thereof.

- (b) The Trustee agrees to give the Issuer immediate notice if any Trust Officer has actual knowledge that any Account or any funds on deposit in any Account, or otherwise to the credit of an Account, shall become subject to any writ, order, judgment, warrant of attachment, execution or similar process.
- The Trustee shall supply, in a timely fashion, to the Co-Issuers (and the (c) Issuer shall supply to the Rating Agency), the Portfolio Manager and the Collateral Administrator any information regularly maintained by the Trustee that the Co-Issuers, the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes, the Portfolio Manager or the Collateral Administrator may from time to time reasonably request with respect to the Assets and the Accounts and provide any other requested information reasonably available to the Trustee by reason of its acting as Trustee hereunder and required to be provided by Section 10.6 or to permit the Portfolio Manager to perform its obligations under the Portfolio Management Agreement or the Issuer's obligations hereunder that have been delegated to the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee shall promptly forward to the Portfolio Manager copies of notices and other writings received by it from the issuer of any Collateral Obligation or from any Clearing Agency with respect to any Collateral Obligation which notices or writings advise the holders of such Collateral Obligation of any rights that the holders might have with respect thereto (including, without limitation, requests to vote with respect to amendments or waivers and notices of prepayments and redemptions) as well as all periodic financial reports received from such issuer and Clearing Agencies with respect to such issuer.

Nothing in this <u>Section 10.5</u> shall be construed to impose upon the Trustee any duty to prepare any report or statement required under <u>Section 10.6</u> or to calculate or compute information required to be set forth in any such report or statement other than information regularly maintained by the Trustee by reason of its acting as Trustee hereunder.

(d) As promptly as possible following the delivery of each Monthly Report and Distribution Report to the Trustee pursuant to Section 10.6(a) or (b), as applicable, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer shall cause a copy of such report (or portions thereof) to be delivered to Intex Solutions, Inc., or any other valuation provider deemed necessary by the Portfolio Manager.

Section 10.6 Accountings. (a) Monthly. Not later than the 20th calendar day (or, if such day is not a Business Day, on the next succeeding Business Day) of each calendar month (other than January, April, July and October in each year) and commencing with the second calendar month following the Closing Date, the Issuer shall compile and make available (or cause to be compiled and made available) to the Rating Agency, the Trustee, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, Creditflux (including its Affiliates), Intex Solutions, Inc., Moody's Analytics, Bloomberg L.P., Valitana LLC and/or any other widely recognized data provider and, upon written request therefor, to any Holder, and upon written notice to the Trustee in the form of Exhibit C, any beneficial owner of Notes, a monthly report on a trade date basis (each such report a "Monthly Report"). As used herein, the "Monthly Report Determination Date" with respect to any calendar month shall be the eighth Business Day before a Monthly Report is due. The Monthly Report for a calendar month shall contain the following information with respect to the Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments included in the Assets, and

shall be determined as of the related Monthly Report Determination Date (for which purpose, assets of any Issuer Subsidiary shall be included as if such assets were owned by the Issuer):

- (i) Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations and Eligible Investments representing Principal Proceeds;
 - (ii) Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount of Collateral Obligations;
 - (iii) Collateral Principal Amount of Collateral Obligations;
- (iv) A list of Collateral Obligations, including, with respect to each such Collateral Obligation, the following information:
 - (A) The obligor thereon (including the issuer ticker, if any);
 - (B) The CUSIP, LoanXiD, Bloomberg ID, ISIN, FIGI, and LEI, if available, or other security identifier thereof;
 - (C) The Principal Balance thereof (other than any accrued interest that was purchased with Principal Proceeds (but excluding any capitalized interest));
 - (D) The percentage of the aggregate Collateral Principal Amount represented by such Collateral Obligation;
 - (E) (x) The related interest rate or spread (in the case of a Benchmark Floor Obligation, calculated both with and without regard to the applicable specified "floor" rate *per annum*), (y) the specified "floor" rate *per annum* of each Benchmark Floor Obligation and (z) the identity of any Collateral Obligation that is not a Benchmark Floor Obligation and for which interest is calculated with respect to an index other than the then-current Benchmark;
 - (F) The stated maturity thereof;
 - (G) The related Moody's Industry Classification;
 - (H) The related S&P Industry Classification;
 - (I) The Moody's Rating, unless such rating is based on a credit estimate unpublished by Moody's, a notation to such effect (and, in the event of a downgrade or withdrawal of the applicable Moody's Rating, the prior rating and the date such Moody's Rating was changed);
 - (J) The Moody's Default Probability Rating;
 - (K) The Market Value;

- (L) The S&P Rating, unless such rating is based on a credit estimate or is a private or confidential rating from S&P;
- (M) The country of Domicile and, if Domicile is determined pursuant to <u>clause</u> (d) of the definition thereof, the identity of the guarantor;
- (N) An indication as to whether each such Collateral Obligation is (1) a Senior Secured Loan, (2) a Defaulted Obligation, (3) a Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligation, (4) a Revolving Collateral Obligation, (5) a Participation Interest (indicating the related Selling Institution and its ratings by the Rating Agency), (6) a Deferrable Security, (7) a Second Lien Loan, (8) an Unsecured Loan, (9) a Fixed Rate Obligation, (10) a Current Pay Obligation, (11) a DIP Collateral Obligation, (12) a Discount Obligation, (13) a Cov-Lite Loan, (14) a First-Lien Last-Out Loan (as determined by the Portfolio Manager), (15) a Bond or (16) a Long-Dated Obligation;
 - (O) The Aggregate Principal Balance of all Cov-Lite Loans;
 - (P) The S&P Recovery Rate;
- (Q) Whether the information relating to such Collateral Obligation is given on a settlement basis or a trade date basis;
- (R) Whether any Trading Plans have been entered into and, if so, the identity of any Collateral Obligations acquired or disposed of in connection therewith; and
- (S) Which, if any, of the Collateral Obligations were held by an Issuer Subsidiary and, if any were so held, the identity of any Collateral Obligations acquired or disposed of in connection therewith.
- (v) If the Monthly Report Determination Date occurs on or after the Effective Date, for each of the applicable limitations and tests specified in the definitions of Concentration Limitations and Collateral Quality Test, (1) the result, (2) the related minimum or maximum test level and (3) a determination as to whether such result satisfies the related test.
 - (vi) The calculation of each of the following:
 - (A) Each Interest Coverage Ratio (and setting forth the percentage required to satisfy each Interest Coverage Test);
 - (B) Each Overcollateralization Ratio (and setting forth the percentage required to satisfy each Overcollateralization Ratio Test) and the Interest Diversion Test (and setting forth the percentage required to satisfy the Interest Diversion Test); and

- (C) the Diversity Score.
- (vii) The calculation specified in <u>Section 5.1(g)</u>.
- (viii) For each Account, a schedule showing the beginning balance, each credit or debit specifying the nature, source and amount, and the ending balance.
- (ix) A schedule showing for each of the following the beginning balance, the amount of Interest Proceeds received from the date of determination of the immediately preceding Monthly Report, and the ending balance for the current Measurement Date:
 - (A) Interest Proceeds from Collateral Obligations; and
 - (B) Interest Proceeds from Eligible Investments.
 - (x) Purchases, prepayments, and sales:
 - (A) The identity, Principal Balance (other than any accrued interest that was purchased with Principal Proceeds (but excluding any capitalized interest)), Principal Proceeds and Interest Proceeds received, and date for (X) each Collateral Obligation that was released for sale or disposition pursuant to Section 12.1 since the last Monthly Report Determination Date and (Y) for each prepayment or redemption of a Collateral Obligation, and in the case of (X), whether such Collateral Obligation was a Credit Risk Obligation or a Credit Improved Obligation, whether the sale of such Collateral Obligation was a discretionary sale;
 - (B) The identity, Principal Balance (other than any accrued interest that was purchased with Principal Proceeds (but excluding any capitalized interest)), and Principal Proceeds and Interest Proceeds expended to acquire each Collateral Obligation acquired pursuant to Section 12.2 since the last Monthly Report Determination Date;
 - (C) Whether any Trading Plan has been applied and the Collateral Obligations that were subject to such Trading Plan and the percentage of the Aggregate Principal Balance consisting of Collateral Obligations that were subject to such Trading Plan;
 - (D) With respect to any sale and purchase of Collateral Obligations as contemplated in <u>clause (a)</u> of the proviso to the definition of "Discount Obligation" since the last Monthly Report Determination Date, (1) the identity and Principal Balance (other than any accrued interest that was purchased with Principal Proceeds (but excluding any capitalized interest)) of each of the Collateral Obligations that is sold and the Collateral Obligation that is purchased, (2) the sale price of the Collateral Obligation that is purchased, (3) the Moody's Default Probability

Rating and S&P Rating of each of the Collateral Obligations that is sold and the Collateral Obligation that is purchased, (4) as of the date of such acquisition, the percentage of the Collateral Principal Amount consisting of Collateral Obligations that have been acquired as contemplated in clause (a) of the proviso to the definition of "Discount Obligation" and (5) since the Closing Date, the percentage of the Target Portfolio Par consisting of Collateral Obligations that have been acquired as contemplated in clause (a) of the proviso to the definition of "Discount Obligation"; and

- With respect to any Bankruptcy Exchange of Collateral Obligations as contemplated in Section 12.1(h) since the last Monthly Report Determination Date, (1) the identity and Principal Balance of each of the Collateral Obligations that is disposed or exchanged and the Collateral Obligation that is acquired in connection with such Bankruptcy Exchange, (2) the sale price in respect of which the Collateral Obligation is disposed or exchanged and the purchase price in respect of which the Collateral Obligation is acquired, in each case, in connection with such Bankruptcy Exchange, (3) the Moody's Default Probability Rating and S&P Rating of each of the Collateral Obligations that is disposed or exchanged and the Collateral Obligation that is acquired in connection with such Bankruptcy Exchange, (4) as of the date of such acquisition, the percentage of the Collateral Principal Amount consisting of Collateral Obligations that have been acquired in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange as contemplated in Section 12.1(h) and (5) since the Closing Date, the percentage of the Target Portfolio Par consisting of Collateral Obligations that have been acquired in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange as contemplated in Section 12.1(h) and whether this percentage is greater than the limitations set upon Bankruptcy Exchanges pursuant to the definition of "Bankruptcy Exchange".
- (xi) The identity of each Defaulted Obligation, the S&P Collateral Value and Market Value of each such Defaulted Obligation and date of default thereof.
- (xii) The identity of each Collateral Obligation with an S&P Rating of "CCC+" or below and/or a Moody's Default Probability Rating of "Caa1" or below and the Market Value of each such Collateral Obligation.
- (xiii) The identity of each Deferring Security, the S&P Collateral Value and Market Value of each Deferring Security, and the date on which interest was last paid in full in Cash thereon.
- (xiv) The identity of each Current Pay Obligation, the Market Value of each such Current Pay Obligation, and the percentage of the Collateral Principal Amount comprised of Current Pay Obligations.

- (xv) The identity of each Equity Security and its related Obligor, along with the principal balance, the Market Value and the LoanXiD, Bloomberg ID, ISIN, FIGI, LEI and CUSIP (if available) thereof.
- (xvi) The identity of each Collateral Obligations with an S&P Rating derived from a Moody's Rating as set forth in <u>clause (iii)(a)</u> of the definition of "S&P Rating."
- (xvii) The identity of each Collateral Obligation with a Moody's Rating derived from an S&P Rating as provided in <u>clause (ii)(A)</u> or <u>(B)</u> of the definition of "Moody's Derived Rating."
 - (xviii) The Aggregate Excess Funded Spread.
 - (xix) The Weighted Average Moody's Rating Factor.
- (xx) The identity of each Eligible Investment, the ratings assigned to such Eligible Investment by Moody's and S&P and the stated maturity of such Eligible Investment.
- (xxi) Such other information as the Rating Agency or the Portfolio Manager may reasonably request.
 - (xxii) The identity of each bond, note and other security held by the Issuer.
- (xxiii) (1) Calculation of the Retention Basis Amount as of the most recent Determination Date, if applicable and (2) as provided by the Portfolio Manager, confirmation that confirmation has been received from the Retention Holder that it:
 - (A) continues to retain the EU/UK Retained Interest; and
 - (B) has not sold, hedged or otherwise mitigated its credit risk under or associated with the EU/UK Retained Interest or the underlying portfolio of Collateral Obligations, except to the extent permitted in accordance with the EU/UK Retention Requirements.
- (xxiv) The Asset Replacement Percentage and the calculation thereof (as provided by the Portfolio Manager);
- (xxv) The identity of each Loss Mitigation Obligation, each Specified Defaulted Obligation and each Specified Equity Security and, in the case of Loss Mitigation Obligations, the percentage thereof as against the Reinvestment Target Par Balance and the Collateral Principal Amount, as well as whether such percentages are greater than the limitations set forth with respect to the acquisition of Loss Mitigation Obligations provided for in Section 12.2(f);

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(xxvi) In respect of the first Monthly Report only, the following information provided solely by the Portfolio Manager:

If the percentage and/or the dollar amount of each Class of Notes purchased by the Retention Holder as part of the "eligible vertical interest" composing the US Retained Interest on the Closing Date is materially different from the percentage and/or the dollar amount described in the preliminary Offering Circular dated March 5, 2024 relating to the offer and sale of the Offered Securities, a description of any such material differences.

For the avoidance of doubt, each of the Initial Purchaser, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator: (i) has not participated in the preparation of any information provided under Section 10.6(a)(xxv), (ii) is not responsible for, and is not making any representation concerning the accuracy or completeness of any information provided under Section 10.6(a)(xxv), and (iii) assumes no responsibility for the contents of any information provided under Section 10.6(a)(xxv).

Upon receipt of each Monthly Report, the Trustee shall compare the information contained in such Monthly Report to the information contained in its records with respect to the Assets and shall, within three Business Days after receipt of such Monthly Report, notify the Issuer (and the Issuer shall notify the Rating Agency), the Collateral Administrator and the Portfolio Manager if the information contained in the Monthly Report does not conform to the information maintained by the Trustee with respect to the Assets. If any discrepancy exists, the Collateral Administrator and the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, shall attempt to resolve the discrepancy. If such discrepancy cannot be promptly resolved, the Trustee shall within five (5) Business Days notify the Portfolio Manager who shall, on behalf of the Issuer, request that the Independent certified public accountants appointed by the Issuer pursuant to Section 10.8 to perform agreed upon procedures on such Monthly Report and the Trustee's records to assist the Trustee in determining the cause of such discrepancy. If such procedures reveal an error in the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records, the Monthly Report or the Trustee's records shall be revised accordingly and, as so revised, shall be utilized in making all calculations pursuant to this Indenture and notice of any error in the Monthly Report shall be sent as soon as practicable by the Issuer to all recipients of such report which may be accomplished by making a notation of such error in the subsequent Monthly Report.

(xxvii) For each Monthly Report prior to the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date:

- (A) The Default Rate Dispersion;
- (B) The S&P Weighted Average Rating Factor;
- (C) The Obligor Diversity Measure;
- (D) The Industry Diversity Measure;

- (E) The Regional Diversity Measure; and
- (F) The S&P Weighted Average Life
- (xxviii) For each Monthly Report after the S&P CDO Monitor Election Date, the S&P Weighted Average Floating Spread Input and the S&P Weighted Average Recovery Rate Input, in each case, calculated in the manner required for the S&P CDO Monitor.
- (b) Payment Date Accounting. The Issuer shall render an accounting (each a "Distribution Report"), determined as of the close of business on each Determination Date preceding a Payment Date (other than any Payment Date resulting from clause (2) in the definition thereof), and shall make available such Distribution Report to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Portfolio Manager, the Rating Agency and the Initial Purchaser, the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange (so long as any Notes are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange), Creditflux (including its Affiliates), Intex Solutions, Inc., Bloomberg L.P., Valitana LLC and/or any other widely recognized data provider and, upon written request therefor, any Holder and, upon written notice to the Trustee in the form of Exhibit C, any beneficial owner of Notes not later than one Business Days preceding the related Payment Date. The Distribution Report shall contain the following information:
 - (i) the information required to be in the Monthly Report pursuant to Section 10.6(a);
 - (ii) (a) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes of each Class at the beginning of the Interest Accrual Period and such amount as a percentage of the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes of such Class, (b) the amount of principal payments to be made on the Secured Notes of each Class on the next Payment Date, the amount of any Deferred Interest on the Class C Notes, the Class D-1 Notes, the Class D-J Notes and the Class E Notes, and the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes of each Class after giving effect to the principal payments, if any, on the next Payment Date and such amount as a percentage of the original Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes of such Class and (c) the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Subordinated Notes at the beginning of the Interest Accrual Period and the amount of payments to be made on the Subordinated Notes on the next Payment Date;
 - (iii) the Interest Rate and accrued interest for each applicable Class of Secured Notes for such Payment Date;
 - (iv) the amounts payable pursuant to each clause of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> and each clause of <u>Section 11.1(a)(ii)</u>, or each clause of <u>Section 11.1(a)(iii)</u> (to the extent that the related Payment Date is a Partial Redemption Date) or each clause of <u>Section 11.1(a)(iv)</u>, as applicable, on the related Payment Date;

(v) for the Collection Account:

- (A) the Balance on deposit in the Collection Account at the end of the related Collection Period;
- (B) the amounts payable from the Collection Account to the Payment Account, in order to make payments pursuant to Section 11.1(a)(i), Section 11.1(a)(ii), Section 11.1(a)(iii) (to the extent that the related Payment Date is a Partial Redemption Date) and Section 11.1(a)(iv) on the next Payment Date (net of amounts which the Portfolio Manager intends to re-invest in additional Collateral Obligations pursuant to Article XII); and
- (C) the Balance remaining in the Collection Account immediately after all payments and deposits to be made on such Payment Date; and
- (vi) such other information as the Portfolio Manager may reasonably request.

Each Distribution Report shall constitute instructions to the Trustee to withdraw funds from the Payment Account and pay or transfer such amounts set forth in such Distribution Report in the manner specified and in accordance with the priorities established in <u>Section 11.1</u> and Article XIII.

- (c) <u>Interest Rate Notice</u>. The Issuer shall include (or cause to be included) in the Monthly Report a notice setting forth the Interest Rate for each Class of Secured Notes for the Interest Accrual Period preceding the next Payment Date.
- (d) Failure to Provide Accounting. If the Trustee shall not have received any accounting provided for in this Section 10.6 on the first Business Day after the date on which such accounting is due to the Trustee, the Trustee shall notify the Portfolio Manager who shall use all reasonable efforts to obtain such accounting by the applicable Payment Date. To the extent the Portfolio Manager is required to provide any information or reports pursuant to this Section 10.6 as a result of the failure of the Issuer to provide such information or reports, the Portfolio Manager shall be entitled to retain an Independent certified public accountant in connection therewith and the reasonable costs incurred by the Portfolio Manager for such Independent certified public accountant shall be paid by the Issuer.
- (e) <u>Required Content of Certain Reports</u>. Each Monthly Report and each Distribution Report sent to any Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in Notes shall contain, or be accompanied by, the following notices:

The Notes may be beneficially owned only by Persons that (a) (i) are not U.S. persons (within the meaning of Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended) and are purchasing their beneficial interest in an offshore transaction in compliance with Regulation S, (ii) are Qualified Institutional Buyers and Qualified Purchasers (or corporations, partnerships, limited liability companies or other entities (other than trusts) each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is

either a Qualified Purchaser) or (iii) solely in the case of Subordinated Notes in the form of Certificated Notes sold on the Closing Date, Permitted IAIs and (b) in the case of clause (a), can make the representations set forth in Section 2.5 of this Indenture or the appropriate Exhibit to this Indenture. The Issuer has the right to compel any beneficial owner that does not meet the qualifications set forth in clause (a) in the preceding sentence to sell its interest in such Notes, or may sell such interest on behalf of such owner, pursuant to Section 2.12.

Each Holder receiving this report agrees to keep all non-public information herein confidential and not to use such information for any purpose other than its evaluation of its investment in the Notes; *provided* that any Holder may provide such information on a confidential basis to any prospective purchaser of such Holder's Notes that is permitted by the terms of this Indenture to acquire such Holder's Notes and that agrees to keep such information confidential in accordance with the terms of this Indenture.

- (f) <u>Initial Purchaser Information</u>. The Issuer and the Initial Purchaser, or any successor to the Initial Purchaser, may post the information contained in a Monthly Report or Distribution Report to a password-protected internet site accessible only to the Holders and beneficial owners of the Notes and to the Portfolio Manager.
- <u>Distribution of Reports</u>. The Trustee shall make the Monthly Report and the Distribution Report available to the Persons entitled to receive them pursuant to this Indenture via its internet website; provided, that for the avoidance of doubt, delivery of each Monthly Report pursuant to Section 10.6(a) and of each Distribution Report pursuant to Section 10.6(b) shall be deemed satisfied by posting such document to the Trustee's Website and the Trustee is hereby authorized and directed to grant access to such website to Intex Solutions, Inc., Moody's Analytics, Bloomberg L.P. and/or such other widely recognized data provider as is specified by the Portfolio Manager to the Trustee in writing, it being understood that the Trustee shall have no liability for granting such access, including for use of such information by any of the foregoing data providers or any of their subscribers. The Trustee's internet website shall initially be located at http://pivot.usbank.com. The Trustee may change the way such statements are distributed. As a condition to access to the Trustee's internet website, the Trustee may require registration and the acceptance of a disclaimer. The Trustee shall be entitled to rely on the accuracy and completeness of the Monthly Reports and the Distribution Reports delivered to it by or on behalf of the Issuer (including as to information or data contained therein regarding the Collateral Obligations) and shall not be responsible for the content or accuracy of any information provided in the Monthly Report and the Distribution Report which the Trustee disseminates in accordance with this Indenture and may affix thereto any disclaimer it deems appropriate in its reasonable discretion.
- (h) <u>Issuer Responsibility for Information</u>. In preparing and furnishing (or causing to be prepared and furnished) the Monthly Reports and the Distribution Reports, the Issuer shall rely conclusively on the accuracy and completeness of the information or data regarding the Collateral Obligations that has been provided to it by the Collateral Administrator (which shall rely, in turn on certain information provided to it by the Portfolio Manager), and, except as otherwise expressly required by this Indenture or the Collateral Administration

Agreement, the Issuer shall not verify, recompute, reconcile or recalculate any such information or data.

Section 10.7 Release of Collateral. (a) Subject to Article XII, the Issuer may, by Issuer Order executed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager, delivered to the Trustee at least one Business Day prior to the settlement date for any sale of an Asset certifying that the sale of such Asset is being made in accordance with Section 12.1 hereof and such sale complies with all applicable requirements of Section 12.1 (which certification shall be deemed to have been made upon delivery of an Issuer Order or trade ticket in respect of such sale) (provided that if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) may direct the Trustee to release or cause to be released such Asset from the lien of this Indenture pursuant to a sale under Section 12.1(e), Section 12.1(f) or Section 12.1(g)), direct the Trustee to release or cause to be released such Asset from the lien of this Indenture and, upon receipt of such Issuer Order, the Trustee shall deliver any such Asset, if in physical form, duly endorsed to the broker or purchaser designated in such Issuer Order or, if such Asset is a Clearing Corporation Security, cause an appropriate transfer thereof to be made, in each case against receipt of the sales price therefor as specified by the Portfolio Manager in such Issuer Order; provided that the Trustee may deliver any such Asset in physical form for examination in accordance with street delivery custom.

- (b) Subject to the terms of this Indenture, the Trustee shall upon an Issuer Order (i) (A) deliver any Asset, and release or cause to be released such Asset from the lien of this Indenture, which is set for any mandatory call or redemption or payment in full to the appropriate paying agent on or before the date set for such call, redemption or payment, in each case against receipt of the call or redemption price or payment in full thereof and (B) provide notice thereof to the Portfolio Manager, and (ii) deliver any Asset, and release, or cause to be released, such Asset from the lien of this Indenture, to be sold in connection with a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 or 9.3 (and Section 12.1(e) or (f)), as applicable, accompanied by instruction from the Portfolio Manager to the effect that such release and delivery is in connection with a sale of such Asset to fund a redemption pursuant to Section 9.2 or 9.3, and shall apply the Sale Proceeds as provided in this Indenture.
- (c) Upon receiving actual notice of any Offer or any request for a waiver, consent, amendment or other modification or action with respect to any Asset, the Trustee on behalf of the Issuer shall notify the Portfolio Manager of any Asset that is subject to an Offer or such request. Unless the Notes have been accelerated following an Event of Default, the Portfolio Manager may, so long as such Offer constitutes a Permitted Offer, direct (x) the Trustee to accept or participate in or decline or refuse to participate in such Offer and, in the case of acceptance or participation, to release from the lien of this Indenture such Asset in accordance with the terms of the Offer against receipt of payment or exchange therefor, or (y) the Issuer or the Trustee to agree to, so long as such consent, waiver, modification or action would not cause the related Collateral Obligation to fail to satisfy the requirements set forth in the definition of "Collateral Obligation" as of the date of such consent, waiver, modification or action; provided otherwise act with respect to such consent, waiver, amendment, modification or action; provided

that in the absence of any such direction, the Trustee shall not respond or react to such Offer or request.

- (d) As provided in <u>Section 10.2(a)</u>, the Trustee shall deposit any net cash proceeds received by it from the disposition of an Asset in the applicable subaccount of the Collection Account, unless simultaneously applied to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations or Eligible Investments as permitted under and in accordance with the requirements of this Article X and Article XII.
- (e) The Trustee shall, upon receipt of an Issuer Order at such time as there is no Secured Notes Outstanding and all obligations of the Co-Issuers to the Secured Parties have been satisfied, release any remaining Assets from the lien of this Indenture.
- (f) Any security, Collateral Obligation or amounts that are released pursuant to Section 10.7(a), (b) or (c) shall be released from the lien of this Indenture.
- (g) Any amounts paid from the Payment Account to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes in accordance with the Priority of Payments shall be released from the lien of this Indenture.
- (h) In connection with the Share Transfer, on the Closing Date, the Trustee shall release from the lien of this Indenture the cash consideration specified in the Share Transfer Agreement in accordance with <u>Section 14.18</u> of this Indenture.

Section 10.8 Reports by Independent Accountants. (a) At the Closing Date, the Issuer shall appoint one or more firms of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation for purposes of performing agreed-upon procedures required by this Indenture, which may be the firm of Independent certified public accountants that performs accounting services for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager. The Issuer may remove any firm of Independent certified public accountants at any time without the consent of any Holder or beneficial owner of Notes. Upon any resignation by such firm or removal of such firm by the Issuer, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall promptly appoint by Issuer Order delivered to the Trustee and the Rating Agency a successor thereto that shall also be a firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation, which may be a firm of Independent certified public accountants that performs accounting services for the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager. If the Issuer shall fail to appoint a successor to a firm of Independent certified public accountants which has resigned within 30 days after such resignation, the Issuer shall promptly notify the Trustee of such failure in writing. If the Issuer shall not have appointed a successor within ten (10) days thereafter, the Trustee shall promptly notify the Portfolio Manager, who shall appoint a successor firm of Independent certified public accountants of recognized international reputation. The fees of such Independent certified public accountants and its successor shall be payable by the Issuer. In the event such firm requires the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator to agree to the procedures performed by such firm (with respect to any of the reports of such accountants required or contemplated by this Indenture), the Issuer hereby directs the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator to so agree to the terms and conditions requested by such accountants as a condition to receiving documentation required by

this Indenture; it being understood and agreed that the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator shall deliver such letter of agreement in conclusive reliance on the foregoing direction of the Issuer, and the Trustee shall make no inquiry or investigation as to, and shall have no obligation in respect of, the sufficiency, validity or correctness of such procedures.

The Trustee and Collateral Administrator may require the delivery of an Issuer Order directing the execution of any such agreement or other acknowledgement required for the delivery of any report of such Independent accountants to the Trustee or Collateral Administrator under this Indenture or other Transaction Document. The Bank is hereby authorized, without liability on its part, to execute and deliver any acknowledgement or other agreement with such firm of Independent certified public accountants required for the Trustee (or Collateral Administrator, as applicable) to receive any of the reports or instructions provided for herein, which acknowledgement or agreement may include, among other things, (i) acknowledgement with respect to the sufficiency of the procedures to be performed by the Independent accountants, (ii) releases by the Trustee (on behalf of itself and/or the Holders) of any claims, liabilities, and expenses arising out of or relating to such Independent accountant's engagement, agreed-upon procedures or any report issued by such Independent accountants under any such engagement and acknowledgement of other limitations of liability in favor of the Independent certified public accountants, and (iii) restrictions or prohibitions on the disclosure of any such certificates, reports or other information or documents provided to it by such firm of Independent accountants (including to the Holders). Notwithstanding the foregoing, in no event shall the Trustee or Collateral Administrator be required to execute any agreement in respect of the Independent accountants that the Trustee reasonably determines may subject it to risk of expenses or liability for which it is not adequately indemnified or otherwise adversely affects it.

On or before March 6th of each year commencing in 2025, the Issuer shall cause to be delivered to the Collateral Administrator (upon execution of an acknowledgment letter) and the Portfolio Manager an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that the Portfolio Manager has received an agreed-upon procedures report from a firm of Independent certified public accountants for each Distribution Report received since the last statement (i) indicating that the calculations within those Distribution Reports have been recalculated and compared to the information provided by the Issuer in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Indenture and (ii) listing the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Assets and the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations securing the Secured Notes as of the immediately preceding Determination Dates; provided that in the event of a conflict between such firm of Independent certified public accountants and the Issuer with respect to any matter in this Section 10.8, the determination by such firm of Independent certified public accountants shall be conclusive. The Issuer shall request such Independent certified public accountants to provide such report not later than the date 90 days earlier than the due date of each such report. To the extent a beneficial owner or Holder of Notes requests the yield to maturity in respect of the relevant Notes in order to determine any "original issue discount" in respect thereof, the Trustee shall request that the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed by the Issuer calculate such yield to maturity. The Trustee shall have no responsibility to calculate the yield to maturity nor to verify the accuracy of such Independent certified public accountants' calculation. If the firm of Independent certified public accountants fails to calculate such yield to maturity,

the Trustee shall have no responsibility to provide such information to the beneficial owner or Holder of Notes.

(c) Upon the written request of the Trustee or any Holder of a Subordinated Note, the Issuer shall cause the firm of Independent certified public accountants appointed pursuant to Section 10.8(a) to provide any Holder of Subordinated Notes with all of the information required to be provided by the Issuer pursuant to Section 7.17 or assist the Issuer in the preparation thereof.

Section 10.9 Reports to the Rating Agency and Additional Recipients. addition to the information and reports specifically required to be provided to the Rating Agency then rating a Class of Secured Notes pursuant to the terms of this Indenture, the Issuer shall provide the Portfolio Manager and the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes with all information or reports delivered to the Trustee hereunder and the Trustee shall provide all such information to the Initial Purchaser upon the Initial Purchaser's written request, and, subject to Section 14.3(c), such additional information as the Rating Agency then rating any Class of Secured Notes may from time to time reasonably request (including (a) notification to S&P and Moody's of any modification of any loan document relating to a DIP Collateral Obligation or any release of collateral thereunder not permitted by such loan documentation and (b) notification to S&P of any Specified Event, which notice to S&P shall include a copy of such Specified Event and a brief summary of its purpose); provided that reports or statements of the Issuer's Independent certified public accountants shall not be provided to the Rating Agency. Within 10 Business Days after the Effective Date, together with each Monthly Report and on each Payment Date, the Issuer shall provide to S&P, via email in accordance with Section 14.3(a), a Microsoft Excel file of the S&P Excel Default Model Input File and, with respect to each Collateral Obligation, the name of each Obligor thereon, the CUSIP number thereof (if applicable) and the Priority Category (as specified in Section 1(b) of Schedule 6 hereof).

Section 10.10 <u>Procedures Relating to the Establishment of Accounts Controlled by the Trustee</u>. Notwithstanding anything else contained herein, the Trustee agrees that with respect to each of the Accounts, it shall cause each Securities Intermediary establishing such accounts to enter into an account control agreement and, if the Securities Intermediary is the Bank, shall cause the Bank to comply with the provisions of such account control agreement. The Trustee shall have the right to open such subaccounts of any such account as it deems necessary or appropriate for convenience of administration.

Section 10.11 <u>Investment Company Act Procedures</u>. For so long as any Notes are Outstanding, the Issuer shall do the following:

(a) <u>Notification</u>. Each Monthly Report sent or caused to be sent by the Issuer to the Holders shall include a notice to the following effect:

"The Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act"), requires that all holders of the outstanding securities of the Co-Issuers that are U.S. persons (as defined in Regulation S) be "qualified purchasers" ("Qualified Purchasers") as defined in Section 2(a)(51)(A) of the 1940 Act and related rules. Under the rules, each Co-Issuer must have

a "reasonable belief" that all holders of its outstanding securities that are "U.S. persons" (as defined in Regulation S), including transferees, are Qualified Purchasers or entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Consequently, all sales and resales of the Notes in the United States or to "U.S. persons" (as defined in Regulation S) must be made solely to purchasers that are Qualified Purchasers or entities owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers. Each purchaser of a Note in the United States who is a "U.S. person" (as defined in Regulation S) (other than a Permitted IAI, with respect to Subordinated Notes in the form of Certificated Notes-sold on the Closing Date) (such Note, a "Restricted Note") shall be deemed (or required, as the case may be) to represent at the time of purchase that: (i) the purchaser is a Qualified Purchaser or an entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers who is also a qualified institutional buyer as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act ("QIB"); (ii) the purchaser is acting for its own account or the account of another Qualified Purchaser and QIB; (iii) the purchaser is not formed for the purpose of investing in either Co-Issuer; (iv) the purchaser, and each account for which it is purchasing, shall hold and transfer at least the Minimum Denominations of the Notes specified herein; (v) the purchaser understands that the Issuer may receive a list of participants holding positions in securities from one or more book-entry depositories; and (vi) the purchaser shall provide written notice of the foregoing, and of any applicable restrictions on transfer, to any subsequent transferees. The Restricted Securities may only be transferred to a transferee who is both (I) a (x) Qualified Purchaser or (y) entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and (II) a QIB, and all subsequent transferees are deemed to have made representations (i) through (vi) above.

The Issuer directs that the recipient of this notice, and any recipient of a copy of this notice, provide a copy to any Person having an interest in this Note as indicated on the books of DTC or on the books of a participant in DTC or on the books of an indirect participant for which such participant in DTC acts as agent.

This Indenture provides that if, notwithstanding the restrictions on transfer contained therein, the Co-Issuers determine that any "U.S. person" (as defined in Regulation S) (other than a Permitted IAI, with respect to Subordinated Notes in the form of Certificated Notes sold on the Closing Date) who is a Holder or beneficial owner of an interest in a Restricted Note is determined not to have been a QIB/QP at the time of acquisition of such Restricted Note or beneficial interest therein, the Issuer may require, by notice to such Holder or beneficial owner, that such Holder or beneficial owner sell all of its right, title and interest to such Restricted Note (or any interest therein) to a Person that is either (A) not a "U.S. person" (as defined in Regulation S) or (B) both (x) a (I) Qualified Purchaser or (II) entity owned exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and (y) a QIB, with such sale to be effected within 30 days after notice of such sale requirement is given. If such Holder or beneficial owner fails to effect the transfer required within such 30-day period, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager acting on behalf of the Issuer), without further notice to such Holder or beneficial owner, shall and is hereby irrevocably authorized by such Holder or beneficial owner, to cause its Restricted Note or beneficial interest therein to be transferred in a commercially reasonable sale (conducted by the Portfolio Manager in accordance with Article 9 of the UCC as in effect in the State of New York as applied to securities that are sold on a recognized market or that may decline speedily in value) to a Person that certifies to the Trustee, the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager, in connection with such

transfer, that such Person meets the qualifications set forth in <u>clause (A)</u> or <u>(B)</u> above and pending such transfer, no further payments shall be made in respect of such Restricted Note or beneficial interest therein held by such Holder or beneficial owner."

- (b) <u>DTC Actions</u>. The Issuer shall direct DTC to take the following steps in connection with the Global Notes:
 - (i) The Issuer shall direct DTC to include the marker "3c7" in the DTC 20-character security descriptor and the 48-character additional descriptor for the Global Notes in order to indicate that sales are limited to Qualified Purchasers.
 - (ii) The Issuer shall direct DTC to cause each physical deliver order ticket that is delivered by DTC to purchasers to contain the 20-character security descriptor. The Issuer shall direct DTC to cause each deliver order ticket that is delivered by DTC to purchasers in electronic form to contain a "3c7" indicator and a related user manual for participants. Such user manual shall contain a description of the relevant restrictions imposed by Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.
 - (iii) On or prior to the Closing Date, the Issuer shall instruct DTC to send a Section 3(c)(7) Notice to all DTC participants in connection with the offering of the Global Notes.
 - (iv) In addition to the obligations of the Registrar set forth in <u>Section 2.5</u>, the Issuer shall from time to time (upon the request of the Trustee) make a request to DTC to deliver to the Issuer a list of all DTC participants holding an interest in the Global Notes.
 - (v) The Issuer shall cause each CUSIP number obtained for a Global Note to have a fixed field containing "3c7" and "144A" indicators, as applicable, attached to such CUSIP number.
- (c) <u>Bloomberg Screens, etc.</u> The Issuer shall from time to time request all third-party vendors to include on screens maintained by such vendors appropriate legends regarding Rule 144A and Section 3(c)(7) under the Investment Company Act restrictions on the Global Notes. Without limiting the foregoing, the Initial Purchaser shall request that each third-party vendor include the following legends on each screen containing information about the Notes:

(i) Bloomberg.

- (A) "Iss'd Under 144A/3c7," to be stated in the "Note Box" on the bottom of the "Security Display" page describing the Global Notes;
- (B) a flashing red indicator stating "See Other Available Information" located on the "Security Display" page;
- (C) a link to an "Additional Security Information" page on such indicator stating that the Global Notes are being offered in reliance on the

exception from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933 to persons that are both (i) "Qualified Institutional Buyers" as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act and (ii) "qualified purchasers" as defined under Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended; and

(D) a statement on the "Disclaimer" page for the Global Notes that the Global Notes shall not be and have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, that the Issuer has not been registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and that the Global Notes may only be offered or sold in accordance with Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended.

(ii) Reuters.

- (A) a "144A 3c7" notation included in the security name field at the top of the Reuters Instrument Code screen;
- (B) a <144A3c7Disclaimer> indicator appearing on the right side of the Reuters Instrument Code screen; and
- (C) a link from such <144A3c7Disclaimer> indicator to a disclaimer screen containing the following language: "These Notes may be sold or transferred only to Persons who are both (i) Qualified Institutional Buyers, as defined in Rule 144A under the Securities Act, and (ii) "Qualified Purchasers," as defined under Section 3(c)(7) under the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940."

Section 10.12 <u>Closing Date</u>. On the Closing Date, the Issuer shall compile and make available (or cause to be compiled and made available) to Intex Solutions, Inc., and Bloomberg L.P. a schedule of Collateral Obligations, which schedule shall list each Collateral Obligation Delivered hereunder and each Collateral Obligation with respect to which the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer has entered into a binding commitment to purchase or enter into and shall include, with respect to each such Collateral Obligation, the Obligor, Principal Balance, the coupon/spread, the stated maturity, the Moody's Default Probability Rating, the Moody's Rating, the S&P Rating (unless such rating is based on a credit estimate or is a private or confidential rating from S&P) and the country of Domicile.

Section 10.13 <u>Cayman Islands Stock Exchange</u>. So long as any Class of Notes is listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, the Issuer shall inform the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange if the rating assigned to any such Notes is reduced or withdrawn.

APPLICATION OF MONIES

Section 11.1 <u>Disbursements of Monies from Payment Account.</u> (a) Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture, but subject to the other subsections of this <u>Section 11.1</u> and to <u>Section 13.1</u>, on each Payment Date and Redemption Date (other than a Partial Redemption Date that does not otherwise fall on a Payment Date and a Non-Payment

Date Refinancing Date), the Trustee shall disburse amounts transferred from the Collection Account to the Payment Account pursuant to Section 10.2 (or any amounts transferred from the Interest Reserve Account pursuant to Section 10.3) in accordance with the following priorities (the "Priority of Payments"); provided that, unless an Enforcement Event has occurred and is continuing, (x) amounts transferred from the Interest Collection Subaccount shall be applied solely in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i) and (y) amounts transferred from the Principal Collection Subaccount shall be applied solely in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(ii).

- (i) On each Payment Date and Redemption Date (other than a Partial Redemption Date that does not otherwise fall on a Payment Date and a Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date), unless an Enforcement Event has occurred and is continuing, Interest Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account, to the extent received on or before the related Determination Date (or if such Determination Date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) and that are transferred into the Payment Account, shall be applied in the following order of priority:
 - (A) to the payment of (1) *first*, taxes and governmental fees owing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (excluding taxes and governmental fees in respect of any Issuer Subsidiary), if any, and (2) *second*, the accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses, in the priority stated in the definition thereof; *provided* that amounts paid pursuant to <u>clause (2)</u> may not exceed, in the aggregate, the Administrative Expense Cap;
 - (B) to the payment of all unpaid Base Management Fees due and payable to the Portfolio Manager until such amount has been paid in full;
 - (C) to the payment of (1) first, any amounts due to a Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement other than amounts due as a result of the early termination (or partial early termination) of such Hedge Agreement and (2) second, any amounts due to a Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement pursuant to an early termination (or partial early termination) of such Hedge Agreement as a result of a Priority Termination Event;
 - (D) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, until such amounts have been paid in full;
 - (E) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-J Notes, until such amounts have been paid in full;
 - (F) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu*, (x) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B-1 Notes and (y) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B-F Notes, until such amounts have been paid in full;
 - (G) if either of the Class A/B Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence to the extent necessary to cause all Class A/B Coverage

Tests that are applicable on such Payment Date to be satisfied as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to all payments pursuant to this <u>clause</u> (G);

- (H) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu* to the payment of (x) accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class C-1 Notes, and (y) accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class C-F Notes, in each case, until such amount has been paid in full;
- (I) if either of the Class C Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence to the extent necessary to cause all Class C Coverage Tests that are applicable on such Payment Date to be satisfied as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to all payments pursuant to this <u>clause (I)</u>;
- (J) to the payment of pro rata (based upon amounts due) and pari passu (x) any Deferred Interest on the Class C-1 Notes, and (y) any Deferred Interest on the Class C-F Notes, in each case, until such amount has been paid in full;
- (K) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class D-1 Notes until such amount has been paid in full;
- (L) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class D-J Notes until such amount has been paid in full;
- (M) if either of the Class D Coverage Tests is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence to the extent necessary to cause all Class D Coverage Tests that are applicable on such Payment Date to be satisfied as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to all payments pursuant to this <u>clause (M)</u>;
- (N) to the payment of any Deferred Interest on the Class D-1 Notes until such amount has been paid in full;
- (O) to the payment of any Deferred Interest on the Class D-J Notes until such amount has been paid in full;
- (P) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu* to the payment of (x) accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred

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Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class E-1 Notes, and (y) accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class E-F Notes, in each case, until such amount has been paid in full;

- (Q) to the payment of *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu* (x) any Deferred Interest on the Class E-1 Notes, and (y) any Deferred Interest on the Class E-F Notes, in each case, until such amount has been paid in full;
- (R) if the Class E Coverage Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence to the extent necessary to cause the Class E Coverage Test to be satisfied as of the related Determination Date on a *pro forma* basis after giving effect to all payments pursuant to this clause (R);
- (S) if, with respect to any Payment Date following the Effective Date, S&P has not yet confirmed its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes pursuant to Section 7.18(c) or (d) (unless the Effective Date S&P Condition has been satisfied), amounts available for distribution pursuant to this clause (S) shall be used for application in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence on such Payment Date in an amount sufficient to cause S&P to confirm its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes (or to satisfy the Effective Date S&P Condition with respect to the Secured Notes);
- (T) during the Reinvestment Period only, if the Interest Diversion Test is not satisfied as of the related Determination Date, the lesser of (x) 50% of the Interest Proceeds then available or (y) the amount required to cause such test to be satisfied on a pro forma basis after giving effect to all payments pursuant to this clause (T) shall be deposited into the Principal Collection Subaccount and applied as Principal Proceeds;

(U) [reserved];

- (V) to the payment of all unpaid Subordinated Management Fees due and payable to the Portfolio Manager until such amount has been paid in full;
- (W) to the payment of (1) first (in the same manner and order of priority stated therein) any Administrative Expenses not paid pursuant to clause (A)(2) above due to the limitation contained therein and (2) second any amounts due to any Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement not otherwise paid pursuant to clause (C) above;
- (X) to the payment to each Contributor, pro rata based on the aggregate amount of Contribution Repayment Amounts owing on such Payment

Date, the aggregate amount of such Contribution Repayment Amounts owing to each such Contributor until all such amounts have been paid in full;

- (Y) to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes until the Target Return has been achieved; and
- (Z) (1) 80% of the remaining Interest Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes and (2) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds to the Portfolio Manager in respect of the Incentive Management Fee.
- (ii) On each Payment Date and Redemption Date (other than a Partial Redemption Date that does not otherwise fall on a Payment Date and a Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date), unless an Enforcement Event has occurred and is continuing, Principal Proceeds on deposit in the Collection Account that are received on or before the related Determination Date (or if such Determination Date is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business Day) and that are transferred to the Payment Account (which shall not include (i) amounts required to meet funding requirements with respect to Delayed Drawdown Collateral Obligations, Revolving Collateral Obligations and Delayed Funding Loss Mitigation Obligations that are deposited in the Revolver Funding Account or (ii) Principal Proceeds that have previously been reinvested in Collateral Obligations or that the Portfolio Manager has committed to invest in specified Collateral Obligations during the next Interest Accrual Period in accordance with Section 12.2) shall be applied in the following order of priority:
 - (A) to pay the amounts referred to in <u>clauses (A)</u> through <u>(R)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> (and in the same manner and order of priority stated therein), but only to the extent not paid in full thereunder; *provided*, that payments under (i) <u>clause (H)</u> and <u>clause (J)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> shall be made only to the extent the Class C Notes are the Controlling Class at such time, (ii) <u>clause (K)</u> and <u>clause (N)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> shall be made only to the extent the Class D-1 Notes are the Controlling Class at such time, (iii) clause (L) and clause (O) of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> shall be made only to the extent the Class D-J Notes are the Controlling Class at such time and (iv) <u>clause (P)</u> and <u>clause (Q)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> shall be made only to the extent the Class E Notes are the Controlling Class at such time;
 - (B) on any Rating Confirmation Redemption Date, if after the application of Interest Proceeds pursuant to <u>clause (S)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> S&P has not yet confirmed its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes pursuant to this Indenture (unless the Effective Date S&P Condition has been satisfied) to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence an amount sufficient to cause S&P to confirm its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes (or to satisfy the Effective Date S&P Condition with respect to the Secured Notes);
 - (C) (1) on any Redemption Date (other than a Partial Redemption Date that does not otherwise fall on a Payment Date and a Non-Payment Date

Refinancing Date), to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence, and (2) on any other Payment Date, to make payments in the amount of the Special Redemption Amount, if any, at the election of the Portfolio Manager, in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence;

- (D) (1) during the Reinvestment Period, at the discretion of the Portfolio Manager, to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds to invest in Eligible Investments (pending the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations) and/or to the purchase of additional Collateral Obligations and (2) after the Reinvestment Period, to invest Principal Proceeds received (x) with respect to any Collateral Obligations for which the trade date has occurred during the Reinvestment Period but which will settle after such date and/or (y) with respect to a Credit Risk Obligation or Unscheduled Principal Payments, in each case in accordance with Section 12.2(a)(2);
- (E) after the Reinvestment Period, to make payments in accordance with the Secured Notes Payment Sequence;
- (F) to pay the amounts referred to in <u>clause (V)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> to the extent not already paid thereunder;
- (G) to pay the amounts referred to in <u>clause (W)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> (in the order of priority stated therein) to the extent not already paid thereunder and under clause (A) above;
- (H) to pay the amounts referred to in <u>clause (X)</u> of <u>Section 11.1(a)(i)</u> to the extent not already paid thereunder;
- (I) to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes until the Target Return has been achieved; and
- (J) (1) 80% of the remaining Principal Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes and (2) 20% of the remaining Principal Proceeds to the Portfolio Manager in respect of the Incentive Management Fee.

In determining the amount of any payment required to satisfy any Coverage Test or the Interest Diversion Test, for purposes of the priorities set forth in Sections 11.1(a)(i) and (ii) above, the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of the Secured Notes shall give effect to the application of Principal Proceeds to be used on the applicable Payment Date to repay principal of the Secured Notes, and the application of Interest Proceeds on such Payment Date pursuant to all prior clauses in the priorities set forth in Sections 11.1(a)(i) above.

(iii) On any Partial Redemption Date or Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date, Refinancing Proceeds (including, if such date is a Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date, all available amounts in the Collection Account) and Partial Refinancing Interest Proceeds (if applicable) will be distributed (after the application of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds under the relevant Priority of Payments if such date is otherwise a Payment Date) in the following order of priority (the "Priority of Redemption Proceeds")

- (A) to pay the Redemption Price of each Class of Notes being redeemed;
- (B) to pay any Administrative Expenses related to the Refinancing; and
- (C) any remaining amounts, to the Collection Account as Principal Proceeds or Interest Proceeds, at the direction of the Portfolio Manager.
- (iv) Notwithstanding the provisions of the foregoing Sections 11.1(a)(i) and 11.1(a)(ii) and 11.1(a)(iii), if acceleration of the maturity of the Secured Notes have occurred following an Event of Default and declaration of such acceleration has not been rescinded (an "Enforcement Event"), pursuant to Section 5.2(b), on each Payment Date or other dates fixed by the Trustee, all Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds shall be applied in the following order of priority:
 - (A) to the payment of (1) *first*, taxes and governmental fees owing by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer (excluding taxes and governmental fees in respect of any Issuer Subsidiary), if any, and (2) *second*, the accrued and unpaid Administrative Expenses, in the priority stated in the definition thereof, up to the Administrative Expense Cap (except that, if a liquidation of Assets has commenced, no such limitation shall apply);
 - (B) to the payment of (1) *first*, any amounts due to a Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement other than amounts due as a result of the early termination (or partial early termination) of such Hedge Agreement and (2) *second*, any amounts due to a Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement pursuant to an early termination (or partial early termination) of such Hedge Agreement as a result of a Priority Termination Event;
 - (C) to the payment of all unpaid Base Management Fees due and payable to the Portfolio Manager until such amount has been paid in full;
 - (D) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-1 Notes, until such amounts have been paid in full;
 - (E) to the payment of accrued and unpaid interest on the Class A-J Notes, until such amounts have been paid in full;
 - (F) to the payment of principal of the Class A-1 Notes, until the Class A-1 Notes have been paid in full;

- (G) to the payment of principal of the Class A-J Notes, until the Class A-J Notes have been paid in full;
- (H) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu*, (x) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B-1 Notes and (y) accrued and unpaid interest on the Class B-F Notes, until such amounts have been paid in full, and (2) *second*, to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon the Aggregate Outstanding Amounts) and *pari passu*, (x) principal of the Class B-1 Notes and (y) principal of the Class B-F Notes, until the Class B Notes have been paid in full;
- (I) to the payment of, pro rata (based upon amounts due) and pari passu (1) first, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the (x) the Class C-1 Notes and (y) the Class C-F Notes, and (2) second, to the payment of any Deferred Interest on (x) the Class C-1 Notes, and (y) the Class C-F Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;
- (J) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu* (x) principal of the Class C-1 Notes and (y) principal of the Class C-F Notes, in each case, until the Class C Notes have been paid in full;
- (K) (1) *first*, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class D-1 Notes, and (2) *second*, to the payment of any Deferred Interest on the Class D-1 Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;
- (L) to the payment of principal of the Class D-1 Notes until the Class D-1 Notes have been paid in full;
- (M) (1) first, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the Class D-J Notes, and (2) second, to the payment of any Deferred Interest on the Class D-J Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;
- (N) to the payment of principal of the Class D-J Notes, until the Class D-J Notes have been paid in full;
- (O) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu* (1) first, to the payment of any accrued and unpaid interest (excluding Deferred Interest but including interest on Deferred Interest) on the (x) the Class E-1 Notes and (y) the Class E-F Notes, and (2) second, to the payment of any Deferred Interest on (x) the Class E-1 Notes, and (y) the Class E-F Notes, in each case, until such amounts have been paid in full;

- (P) to the payment of, *pro rata* (based upon amounts due) and *pari passu* (x) principal of the Class E-1 Notes and (y) principal of the Class E-F Notes, in each case, until the Class E Notes have been paid in full;
 - (Q) [reserved];
- (R) to the payment of all unpaid Subordinated Management Fees due and payable to the Portfolio Manager until such amount has been paid in full;
- (S) to the payment of (1) *first*, (in the same manner and order of priority stated therein) any Administrative Expenses not paid pursuant to <u>clause</u> (A)(2) above due to the limitation contained therein and (2) *second*, any amounts due any Hedge Counterparty under any Hedge Agreement pursuant to an early termination (or partial early termination) of such Hedge Agreement not otherwise paid pursuant to <u>clause (B)</u> above;
- (T) to the payment to each Contributor, *pro rata* based on the aggregate amount of Contribution Repayment Amounts owing on such Payment Date, the aggregate amount of such Contribution Repayment Amounts owing to each such Contributor until all such amounts have been paid in full;
- (U) to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes until the Target Return has been achieved; and
- (V) (1) 80% of the remaining Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes and (2) 20% of the remaining Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to the Portfolio Manager in respect of the Incentive Management Fee.

If any declaration of acceleration has been rescinded in accordance with the provisions herein, proceeds with respect to the Assets shall be applied in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i) or (ii), as applicable.

- (b) If on any Payment Date the amount available in the Payment Account is insufficient to make the full amount of the disbursements required by the Distribution Report, the Trustee shall make the disbursements called for in the order and according to the priority set forth under Section 11.1(a) above, subject to Section 13.1, to the extent funds are available therefor.
- (c) In connection with the application of funds to pay Administrative Expenses of the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, as the case may be, in accordance with Section 11.1(a)(i), Section 11.1(a)(ii), Section 11.1(a)(iii) and Section 11.1(a)(iv), the Trustee shall remit such funds, to the extent available (and subject to the order of priority set forth in the definition of "Administrative Expenses"), as designated in, and to such entities as indicated in, the Distribution Report in respect of such Payment Date.

The Portfolio Manager may, in its sole discretion (but shall not be obligated to), elect to irrevocably waive payment of any or all of any Portfolio Management Fee otherwise due on any Payment Date by notice to the Issuer, the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee no later than the Determination Date immediately prior to such Payment Date in accordance with the terms of Section 8(b) of the Portfolio Management Agreement. Any such Portfolio Management Fee, if expressly waived permanently, shall not thereafter become due and payable and any claim of the Portfolio Manager therein shall be extinguished. Any other waived or deferred Base Management Fees shall, without further action by the Portfolio Manager, automatically be due and payable without any interest thereon on the following Payment Date in accordance with the Priority of Payments in the same manner as accrued and unpaid Base Management Fees, to the extent payment of such waived or deferred Base Management Fee shall not result in insufficient proceeds remaining to pay accrued and unpaid interest on the Secured Notes on such Payment Date. Any other waived or deferred Subordinated Management Fees shall, upon election by the Portfolio Manager, be payable without any interest thereon on subsequent Payment Dates in accordance with the Priority of Payments to the extent so directed by the Portfolio Manager in a notice delivered to the Trustee no later than the related Determination Date.

ARTICLE XII

SALE OF COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS; PURCHASE OF ADDITIONAL COLLATERAL OBLIGATIONS

Section 12.1 <u>Sales of Collateral Obligations</u>. Subject to the satisfaction of the conditions specified in <u>Section 12.3</u> (regardless of any provision in this <u>Article XII</u> that purports to be without restriction), the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may (except as otherwise specified in this <u>Section 12.1</u>) direct the Trustee to sell, and the Trustee shall sell on behalf of the Issuer in the manner so directed by the Portfolio Manager, any Collateral Obligation, Defaulted Obligation, Loss Mitigation Obligation or Equity Security if, as certified by the Portfolio Manager (on which certificate the Trustee may rely and provided that such certification shall be deemed to have been given upon delivery to the Trustee of a trade ticket executed by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer), such sale meets the requirements of any one of <u>clauses (a)</u> through (i) of this <u>Section 12.1</u> (provided that if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, the Portfolio Manager may not direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation pursuant to <u>Sections 12.1(b)</u> or (g)). For purposes of this <u>Section 12.1</u>, the Sale Proceeds of a Collateral Obligation sold by the Issuer shall include any Principal Financed Accrued Interest received in respect of such sale.

- (a) <u>Credit Risk Obligations</u>. The Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Risk Obligation at any time without restriction.
- (b) <u>Credit Improved Obligations</u>. The Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to sell any Credit Improved Obligation at any time without restriction.

- (c) <u>Defaulted Obligations and Loss Mitigation Obligations</u>. The Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to sell any (i) Defaulted Obligation, (ii) Loss Mitigation Obligation or (iii) any asset held by any Issuer Subsidiary at any time without restriction. With respect to each Defaulted Obligation that has not been sold or terminated within three years after the date on which such obligation becomes a Defaulted Obligation (or, in the case of a Specified Defaulted Obligation, was designated as a "Specified Defaulted Obligation"), the Market Value and Principal Balance of such Defaulted Obligation will be deemed to be zero.
- (d) Equity Securities and Specified Equity Securities. The Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to sell any Equity Security or Specified Equity Security at any time without restriction, and will (unless such Equity Security has been transferred to an Issuer Subsidiary or is otherwise required to be sold for failure to comply with the Tax Guidelines) use its commercially reasonable efforts to effect the sale of any Equity Security (other than an interest in an Issuer Subsidiary) within three years after receipt of, or of such security becoming, an Equity Security, unless such sale is prohibited by applicable law, in which case such Equity Security shall be sold as soon as such sale is permitted by applicable law.
- (e) Optional Redemption. After a Majority of the Subordinated Notes has notified the Trustee and the Portfolio Manager of an Optional Redemption of the Secured Notes in accordance with Section 9.2(a), the Portfolio Manager shall direct the Trustee to sell (which sale may be through participation or other arrangement) all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations if the requirements of Article IX (including the certification requirements of Section 9.4(f)(ii), if applicable) are satisfied. If any such sale is made through participations, the Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to cause such participations to be converted to assignments within six months after the sale.
- (f) <u>Tax Redemption</u>. After a Majority of an Affected Class or a Majority of the Subordinated Notes has directed (by a written direction delivered to the Trustee) a Tax Redemption, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) may at any time effect the sale (which sale may be through participation or other arrangement) of all or a portion of the Collateral Obligations if the requirements of <u>Article IX</u> (including the certification requirements of <u>Section 9.4(f)(ii)</u>, if applicable) are satisfied. If any such sale is made through participations, the Issuer shall use reasonable efforts to cause such participations to be converted to assignments within six months after the sale.
- (g) <u>Discretionary Sales</u>. The Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation at any time (other than if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing) if:
 - (i) after giving effect to such sale, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations sold as described in this Section 12.1(g) during the preceding period of 12 calendar months (or, for the first 12 calendar months after the Closing Date, during the period commencing on the Closing Date) is not greater than 30% of the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount as of the first day of such 12 calendar month period (or as of the Closing Date, as the case may be); and

- (ii) either: (A) during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager reasonably believes prior to such sale that it shall be able to enter one or more binding commitments to reinvest all or a portion of the proceeds of such sale in one or more additional Collateral Obligations with an Aggregate Principal Balance at least equal to the Aggregate Principal Balance of such Collateral Obligation within 20 Business Days after the settlement of such sale in accordance with the Investment Criteria; or (B) at any time, either (1) the Sale Proceeds from such sale are at least equal to the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of such Collateral Obligation or (2) after giving effect to such sale, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding the Collateral Obligation being sold but including, without duplication, the anticipated cash proceeds of such sale) *plus*, without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Collection Account and the Ramp-Up Account (including Eligible Investments therein) representing Principal Proceeds, shall be greater than (or equal to) the Reinvestment Target Par Balance.
- (h) <u>Pre-Emptive Uptier Priming Debt</u>. The Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to sell any Collateral Obligation constituting Pre-Emptive Uptier Priming Debt at any time during or after the Reinvestment Period without restriction.

For purposes of determining the percentage of Collateral Obligations sold during any such period, the amount of any Collateral Obligations sold shall be reduced to the extent of any purchases of Collateral Obligations of the same Obligor (which are *pari passu* or senior to such sold Collateral Obligations) occurring within 45 days of such sale (determined based upon the date of any relevant trade confirmation or commitment letter) so long as any such Collateral Obligation was sold with the intention of purchasing a Collateral Obligation of the same Obligor (which would be *pari passu* or senior to such sold Collateral Obligation).

- (i) <u>Bankruptcy Exchanges</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein, the Portfolio Manager may direct the Trustee to acquire, dispose of or exchange and the Trustee shall acquire, dispose of or exchange in the manner directed by the Portfolio Manager any Collateral Obligation in connection with a Bankruptcy Exchange at any time.
- (j) <u>Clean-Up Call Redemption</u>. After the Portfolio Manager has notified the Issuer and the Trustee of a Clean-Up Call Redemption in accordance with <u>Section 9.8</u>, the Portfolio Manager may at any time effect the sale of any Collateral Obligation without regard to the limitations in this section by directing the Trustee to effect such sale; *provided* that the Sale Proceeds therefrom are used for the purposes specified in <u>Section 9.8</u> (and applied pursuant to the Priority of Payments).
- Section 12.2 <u>Purchase of Additional Collateral Obligations</u>. On any date during the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer may, subject to the other requirements in this Indenture, direct the Trustee to invest Principal Proceeds, proceeds of additional notes issued pursuant to <u>Sections 2.14</u> and <u>3.2</u>, amounts on deposit in the Ramp-Up Account, the Permitted Use Account and Principal Financed Accrued Interest, and the Trustee shall invest such Principal Proceeds and other amounts in accordance with such direction;

provided, that for the avoidance of doubt, with respect to any Collateral Obligations for which the trade date has occurred during the Reinvestment Period but which settle after such date, the purchase of such Collateral Obligations shall be treated as a purchase made during the Reinvestment Period for purposes of this <u>Section 12.2</u>.

- (a) (1) <u>Investment during the Reinvestment Period</u>. No obligation may be purchased by the Issuer unless each of the following conditions is satisfied as of the date the Portfolio Manager commits on behalf of the Issuer to make such purchase, in each case as determined by the Portfolio Manager after giving effect to such purchase and all other sales or purchases previously or simultaneously committed to; *provided* that the conditions set forth in <u>clauses (iii)</u>, (iv), (v) and (vi) below need only be satisfied with respect to purchases of Collateral Obligations occurring on or after the Effective Date:
 - (i) Such commitment to purchase occurs during the Reinvestment Period;
 - (ii) such obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
 - (iii) if the commitment to make such purchase occurs on or after the Effective Date (or in the case of the Interest Coverage Tests, on or after the Determination Date occurring immediately preceding the second Payment Date), each Coverage Test shall be satisfied, or if not satisfied, such Coverage Test shall be maintained or improved;
 - (iv) in the case of an additional Collateral Obligation purchased with the proceeds from the sale of a Credit Risk Obligation or a Defaulted Obligation, either (x) the Investment Criteria Adjusted Balance of all additional Collateral Obligations purchased with the proceeds from such sale shall at least equal the Sale Proceeds from such sale, (y) after giving effect to such purchase, the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount shall be maintained or increased (when compared to the Adjusted Collateral Principal Amount immediately prior to such sale) or (z) after giving effect to such purchase, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding (i) the Collateral Obligation being sold but including, without duplication, the anticipated cash proceeds of such sale and (ii) Defaulted Obligations) plus the S&P Collateral Value of each Defaulted Obligation plus, without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Collection Account and the Ramp-Up Account (including Eligible Investments therein) representing Principal Proceeds, shall be greater than (or equal to) the Reinvestment Target Par Balance;
 - (v) either (I) other than in the case of a Bankruptcy Exchange, each requirement or test, as the case may be, of the Concentration Limitations and the Collateral Quality Tests (except, in the case of an additional Collateral Obligation purchased with the proceeds from the sale or other disposition of a Credit Risk Obligation, a Defaulted Obligation or an Equity Security, the S&P CDO Monitor Test) shall be satisfied or (II) if any such requirement or test was not satisfied immediately prior to such investment, such requirement or test shall be maintained or improved after giving effect to the investment; and

- (vi) with respect to the use of Sale Proceeds of Credit Improved Obligations and Collateral Obligations sold in accordance with Section 12.1(g), either (x) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations purchased with such Sale Proceeds shall be greater than or equal to the Aggregate Principal Balance of the disposed Collateral Obligations or (y) after giving effect to such reinvestment of such Sale Proceeds, the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations (excluding (i) the Collateral Obligation being sold but including, without duplication, the anticipated cash proceeds of such sale and (ii) Defaulted Obligations) plus the S&P Collateral Value of each Defaulted Obligation plus, without duplication, the amounts on deposit in the Collection Account and the Ramp-Up Account (including Eligible Investments therein) representing Principal Proceeds, shall be greater than (or equal to) the Reinvestment Target Par Balance.
- (2) Investment after the Reinvestment Period. Except as otherwise provided in this Section 12.2(a)(2), after the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may not enter into commitments to purchase additional Collateral Obligations and Principal Proceeds may not be invested in additional Collateral Obligations, except that (1) Principal Proceeds may be used to settle a Collateral Obligation with respect to which the trade date occurred prior to the end of the Reinvestment Period and (2) Principal Proceeds received with respect to Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments may be reinvested in accordance with this Section 12.2(a)(2); provided, that (x) Principal Proceeds received with respect to Credit Risk Obligations and Unscheduled Principal Payments must be reinvested prior to thirty (30) days after receipt thereof and (y) such reinvestment is subject to the requirement that the Portfolio Manager reasonably believes, in accordance with its obligations under the Portfolio Management Agreement, that after giving effect to any such reinvestment, that each of the following conditions shall be satisfied:
 - (i) such obligation is a Collateral Obligation;
 - (ii) each of the Coverage Tests shall be satisfied before and after giving effect to such reinvestment:
 - (iii) other than in connection with an Uptier Priming Transaction, the Restricted Trading Period is not then in effect;
 - (iv) each additional Collateral Obligation purchased shall have the same or earlier maturity than the Collateral Obligation(s) which produced the Principal Proceeds used for such acquisition;
 - (v) each additional Collateral Obligation purchased shall have the same or higher S&P Rating and Moody's Rating than the Collateral Obligation(s) which produced the Principal Proceeds used for such acquisition;
 - (vi) (A) in the case of the reinvestment of Principal Proceeds from the sale of Credit Risk Obligations, either (1) the Aggregate Principal Balance of all additional Collateral Obligations purchased with the proceeds from the sale of such Credit Risk

Obligations shall at least equal the related Sale Proceeds or (2) (a) the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations (including the Collateral Obligation(s) being purchased, but excluding the Collateral Obligation(s) being sold and any Defaulted Obligations) and Eligible Investments on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount and the Ramp-Up Account plus (b) the S&P Collateral Value of all Defaulted Obligations, in each case constituting Principal Proceeds (including, without duplication, the anticipated net proceeds of such sale) (x) is maintained or increased or (y) will be greater than or equal to the Reinvestment Target Par Balance; and (B) in the case of the reinvestment of Unscheduled Principal Payments, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations (including the Collateral Obligation(s) being purchased, but excluding the Collateral Obligation(s) being sold and any Defaulted Obligations) and Eligible Investments on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount and the Ramp-Up Account plus the S&P Collateral Value of all Defaulted Obligations, in each case constituting Principal Proceeds (including, without duplication, the anticipated net proceeds of such sale or prepayment) either (x) is maintained or increased or (y) will be greater than or equal to the Reinvestment Target Par Balance;

- (vii) (A) each requirement of the Concentration Limitations (other than clauses (v) and (vi) therof) will be satisfied or, if any such requirement was not satisfied immediately prior to such investment, the level of compliance with such requirement will be maintained or improved and (B) clauses (v) and (vi) of the Concentration Limitations will be satisfied;
- (viii) such reinvestment would not cause the Retention Holder to breach its obligations under the Retention Undertaking Letter;
- (ix) (A) each applicable Collateral Quality Test (other than the Maximum Moody's Rating Factor Test and the Weighted Average Life Test) will be satisfied or, if not satisfied, compliance with such Collateral Quality Test will be maintained or improved, (B) the Maximum Moody's Rating Factor Test will be satisfied and (C) (1) if the Weighted Average Life Test was satisfied as of the last day of the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied or, if not satisfied, maintained or improved or (2) if the Weighted Average Life Test was not satisfied as of the last day of the Reinvestment Period, the Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied; *provided*, that for purposes of the foregoing clause (C), the satisfaction of the Weighted Average Life Test shall be measured as if the value thereof was increased by 0.15; and
- (x) to the Portfolio Manager's knowledge, no Event of Default has occurred that is continuing at the time of such purchase.
- (b) <u>Trading Plan Period</u>. For purposes of calculating compliance with the Investment Criteria, at the election of the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion, any proposed investment (whether a single Collateral Obligation or a group of Collateral Obligations) identified by the Portfolio Manager as such at the time when compliance with the Investment Criteria is required to be calculated (a "**Trading Plan**") may be evaluated after giving effect to all sales and reinvestments proposed to be entered into within the 10 Business Days following

the date of determination of such compliance (such period, the "Trading Plan Period"); provided, that (A) no Trading Plan may result in the purchase of Collateral Obligations having an Aggregate Principal Balance that exceeds 5% of the Collateral Principal Amount as of the first day of the Trading Plan Period, (B) no Trading Plan Period may include a Determination Date, (C) no more than one Trading Plan may be in effect at any time during a Trading Plan Period, (D) no Trading Plan may result in the averaging of the purchase price of a Collateral Obligation or Collateral Obligations purchased at separate times for purposes of determining whether any particular Collateral Obligation is a Discount Obligation, (E) the difference between the earliest stated maturity and the longest stated maturity of any two Collateral Obligations included in such Trading Plan shall be less than or equal to three (3) years, (F) no Trading Plan may result in the purchase of a Collateral Obligation that has a stated maturity of less than one (1) year from the date such Collateral Obligation is purchased, (G) no Trading Plan may result in the purchase of a Collateral Obligation that matures prior to the six-month anniversary of the expiry of the related Trading Plan Period and (H) so long as the Investment Criteria are satisfied upon the expiry of the related Trading Plan Period, the failure of all of the terms and assumptions specified in such Trading Plan to be satisfied shall not be deemed to constitute a failure of such Trading Plan; provided that the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall provide prior written notice to S&P upon the failure of the Investment Criteria to be satisfied upon the expiry of the related Trading Plan and the S&P Rating Condition shall be satisfied for each subsequent Trading Plan until a subsequent Trading Plan (for which the S&P Rating Condition was satisfied) is successfully completed.

Maturity Amendments. The Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the (c) Issuer's behalf) may vote in favor of a Maturity Amendment only if, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, each of the following clauses (A) and (B) are satisfied: (A) either (i) the Weighted Average Life Test will be satisfied after giving effect to such Maturity Amendment or (ii) if the Weighted Average Life Test was not satisfied immediately prior to giving effect to such Maturity Amendment, the level of compliance with the Weighted Average Life Test will be maintained or improved after giving effect to such Maturity Amendment; and (B) after giving effect to such Maturity Amendment, the stated maturity of the Collateral Obligation that is the subject of such Maturity Amendment is not later than the earliest Stated Maturity of the Notes; provided that clause (A) is not required to be satisfied with respect to any Credit Amendment so long as the Aggregate Principal Balance (based on Principal Balances as of the time of each such Credit Amendment) of all Collateral Obligations (whether or not then owned by the Issuer) with respect to which the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) has consented to Credit Amendments without satisfying clause (A), (x) then-held by the Issuer, does not exceed 5.0% of the Collateral Principal Amount and (y) measured cumulatively from the Closing Date, does not exceed 10.0% of the Target Portfolio Par. Notwithstanding the above, (i) (1) the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) may vote in favor of any Maturity Amendment without regard to clauses (A) or (B) above, so long as (x) the Portfolio Manager will use its commercially reasonable efforts to sell such Collateral Obligation (each, a "Specified Unsold **Obligation**") within 30 days after the effective date of such Maturity Amendment and reasonably believes that any such sale will be completed prior to the end of such 30 day period and (y) in the case of a Specified Unsold Obligation that would not satisfy clause (B) above, the Aggregate Principal Balance (based on Principal Balances as of the time of each such Maturity

Amendment) of all Specified Unsold Obligations (whether or not then owned by the Issuer) with respect to which the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf) has consented to Maturity Amendments without satisfying clause (B), measured cumulatively from the Closing Date, does not exceed 7.5% of the Target Portfolio Par, and (2) any Specified Unsold Obligation with respect to which a trade date in respect of its sale has not occurred within 30 days following the effective date of the related Maturity Amendment shall be deemed to be a Defaulted Obligation and (ii) the Issuer will not be in violation of the restrictions in this paragraph if the maturity date of a Collateral Obligation is extended without meeting the requirements of clause (A) or (B) above so long as the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) did not consent (or fail to object, in the case of an objection right) to such Maturity Amendment. For the avoidance of doubt, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) will use commercially reasonable efforts to affirmatively object to a Maturity Amendment that a Responsible Officer of the Portfolio Manager has actual notice of, if (i) such affirmative objection is necessary, in the Portfolio Manager's sole discretion, to avoid a lack of response from being deemed consent to such proposed exchange, acquisition or amendment and (ii) such proposed exchange, acquisition or amendment (A) would extend the maturity of the Collateral Obligation and (B) would cause the Weighted Average Life Test to fail and not be in compliance with the provisos and clauses above.

- (d) Certifications by Portfolio Manager. (i) Not later than the Subsequent Delivery Date for any Collateral Obligation purchased in accordance with this Section 12.2, the Portfolio Manager shall deliver by email or other electronic transmission (of a .pdf or similar file) to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator an Officer's certificate of the Portfolio Manager certifying that such purchase complies with this Section 12.2 and Section 12.3 (on which the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator may rely and provided that such certification shall be deemed to have been given upon delivery to the Trustee of a trade ticket executed by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) and (ii) not later than the Business Day immediately preceding the end of the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator a schedule of Collateral Obligations purchased by the Issuer with respect to which purchases the trade date has occurred but the settlement date has not yet occurred and shall certify to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator (which certification shall be deemed to be made upon delivery of the related schedule) that sufficient Principal Proceeds are available (including for this purpose, cash on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount, any Scheduled Distributions of Principal Proceeds, as well as any Principal Proceeds that shall be received by the Issuer from the sale of Collateral Obligations for which the trade date has already occurred but the settlement date has not yet occurred) to effect the settlement of such Collateral Obligations (which certification shall be deemed to be made upon delivery of the related schedule).
- (e) <u>Unsaleable Assets</u>. Notwithstanding the other requirements set forth in this Indenture, on any Business Day after the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager, in its sole discretion, may conduct an auction on behalf of the Issuer of Unsaleable Assets in accordance with the procedures described in this <u>Section 12.2(e)</u>. Promptly after receipt of written notice from the Portfolio Manager of such auction, the Trustee shall provide notice (in such form as is prepared by the Portfolio Manager) to the Holders of an auction, setting forth in

reasonable detail a description of each Unsaleable Asset and the following auction procedures: (i) any Holder or beneficial owner of Notes may submit a written bid within 10 Business Days after the date of such notice to purchase one or more Unsaleable Assets no later than the date specified in the auction notice (which shall be at least 15 Business Days after the date of such notice); (ii) each bid must include an offer to purchase for a specified amount of cash on a proposed settlement date no later than 20 Business Days after the date of the auction notice; (iii) if no Holder or beneficial owner of Notes submits such a bid within the time period specified under clause (i) above, unless the Portfolio Manager determines that delivery in-kind is not legally or commercially practicable and provides written notice thereof to the Trustee, the Trustee shall provide notice thereof to each Holder and offer to deliver (at such Holder's expense) a pro rata portion (as determined by the Portfolio Manager) of each unsold Unsaleable Asset to the Holders or beneficial owners of the most senior Class that provide delivery instructions to the Trustee on or before the date specified in such notice, subject to Minimum Denominations; provided that, to the extent that Minimum Denominations do not permit a pro rata distribution, the Trustee shall distribute the Unsaleable Assets on a pro rata basis to the extent possible and the Portfolio Manager shall select by lottery the Holder or beneficial owner to whom the remaining amount shall be delivered and deliver written notice thereof to the Trustee; provided, further, that the Trustee shall use commercially reasonable efforts to effect delivery of such interests; and (iv) if no such Holder or beneficial owner provides delivery instructions to the Trustee, the Trustee shall promptly notify the Portfolio Manager and offer to deliver (at the cost of the Portfolio Manager) the Unsaleable Asset to the Portfolio Manager. If the Portfolio Manager declines such offer, the Trustee shall take such action as directed by the Portfolio Manager (on behalf of the Issuer) in writing to dispose of the Unsaleable Asset, which may be by donation to a charity, abandonment or other means. The Trustee's sole obligation with respect to any Unsaleable Assets shall be to act at the direction of the Portfolio Manager as set forth in this Section 12.2(e).

The Portfolio Manager must sell or effect the transfer to an Issuer Subsidiary of (i) any security or other consideration that is subject to an offer, workout, amendment, supplement, or exchange if the new or modified security will not comply with the Tax Guidelines, in each case, prior to the receipt of such new or modified security or (ii) any Collateral Obligation or other asset if the ownership of such asset would cause the Issuer to violate or continue to violate the Tax Guidelines (whether or not received in an Offer), in each case, prior to the time such asset would cause such violation or, if discovered during such violation, upon discovery; *provided* that, in each case, with respect to a transfer to an Issuer Subsidiary, the Issuer Subsidiary's acquisition, ownership and disposition of such security or obligation would not cause any income or gain with respect to such security or obligation to be treated as income or gain of the Issuer that is effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business of the Issuer within the United States for U.S. federal income tax purposes (other than as a result of a change in law after the acquisition of such security or obligation).

(f) Notwithstanding anything else to the contrary herein, the Issuer may purchase a Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Equity Security at any time (i) using funds on deposit in the Permitted Use Account, (ii) from Interest Proceeds or (iii) in the case of Loss Mitigation Obligations, Principal Proceeds, and, in each such case, such purchase of any Loss

Mitigation Obligation or Specified Equity Security will not be required to meet the Investment Criteria (or the definition of "Collateral Obligation"); provided, that, (A)(i) the Portfolio Manager shall not direct a withdrawal of Principal Proceeds in an amount that would cause any Overcollateralization Ratio Test to not be satisfied after giving effect to such withdrawal, (ii) after giving effect to the purchase of any such Loss Mitigation Obligation with Principal Proceeds, the Aggregate Principal Balance of the Collateral Obligations (excluding the Principal Balance of any Defaulted Obligations and including the S&P Collateral Value of any Defaulted Obligations) plus the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Eligible Investments on deposit in the Principal Collection Subaccount and the Ramp-Up Account, is greater than or equal to the Reinvestment Target Par Balance, (iii) the Issuer shall not acquire any Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Equity Security unless, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, both prior to and after giving effect to such acquisition in the case of Loss Mitigation Obligations only, the aggregate outstanding principal balance of all Loss Mitigation Obligations and assets acquired in a Bankruptcy Exchange, in each case, then held by the Issuer, does not exceed 5.0% of the Reinvestment Target Par Balance and (iv) the Issuer shall not acquire any Loss Mitigation Obligation or Specified Equity Security unless, as determined by the Portfolio Manager, both prior to and after giving effect to such acquisition, the aggregate outstanding principal balance of all Loss Mitigation Obligations and assets acquired in a Bankruptcy Exchange, in each case, acquired by the Issuer since the Closing Date, does not exceed 10.0% of the Target Portfolio Par, and (B) in the case of both Loss Mitigation Obligations and Specified Equity Securities purchased with Interest Proceeds, such payment would not (in the reasonable determination of the Portfolio Manager) result in insufficient Interest Proceeds being available for the payment in full of interest due on any Class of Secured Notes on the immediately following Payment Date.

(g) Post-Reinvestment Period Settlement Reporting. With respect to the purchase of any Collateral Obligation, the settlement date for which the Portfolio Manager reasonably expects will occur after the end of the Reinvestment Period, such Collateral Obligation may only be purchased with (x) scheduled distributions of Principal Proceeds that the Portfolio Manager reasonably expects will be received prior to the end of the Reinvestment Period and (y) Sale Proceeds received by the Issuer after the end of the Reinvestment Period in settlement of a sale or disposition with a trade date prior to the end of the Reinvestment Period. In each case, the related Collateral Obligation will be treated as having been purchased by the Issuer prior to the end of the Reinvestment Period for purposes of the Investment Criteria. Not later than the Business Day immediately following the end of the Reinvestment Period, the Portfolio Manager will deliver to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator a schedule of Collateral Obligations (including their Principal Balances) purchased by the Issuer with respect to which purchases the trade date has occurred but the settlement date has not yet occurred.

Section 12.3 <u>Conditions Applicable to All Sale and Purchase Transactions</u>. (a) Any transaction effected under this <u>Article XII</u> or in connection with the acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations shall be conducted on an arm's length basis and, if effected with a Person Affiliated with the Portfolio Manager (or with an account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates serves as investment adviser), shall be effected in accordance with the requirements of Section 5 of the Portfolio Management Agreement; *provided* that, for

the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby acknowledged the Trustee shall have no responsibility to oversee compliance with this <u>clause (a)</u> by the other parties.

- (b) Upon any acquisition of a Collateral Obligation pursuant to this Article XII, all of the Issuer's right, title and interest to the Asset or Assets shall be Granted to the Trustee pursuant to this Indenture, such Asset or Assets shall be Delivered to the Custodian, and, if applicable, the Custodian shall receive such Asset or Assets. The Trustee shall also receive, not later than the Subsequent Delivery Date, an Officer's certificate of the Issuer containing the statements set forth in Section 3.1(a)(viii) as of such Subsequent Delivery Date; provided that such requirement shall be satisfied, and such statements shall be deemed to have been made by the Issuer, in respect of such acquisition by the delivery (including by facsimile or electronic transmission) to the Trustee of a trade ticket in respect thereof that is signed by an Authorized Officer of the Portfolio Manager.
- (c) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Article XII or Article V to the contrary (except for any liquidation of Assets due to an Event of Default and the acceleration of the maturity of the Secured Notes, which liquidation shall be subject to Article V), the Issuer shall have the right to effect any sale of any Asset or purchase of any Collateral Obligation not otherwise then permitted to be sold or acquired by the Portfolio Manager under this Indenture (i) that has been consented to by holders of Notes evidencing at least (x) with respect to purchases during the Reinvestment Period and sales during or after the Reinvestment Period, 75% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and (y) with respect to purchases after the Reinvestment Period, 100% of the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of each Class of Notes and (ii) of which the Rating Agency and the Trustee has been notified.
- Section 12.4 <u>The Advisory Committee</u>. (a) The Issuer shall have the power and authority to form an Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee will have the functions contemplated in this Indenture (including the Advisory Committee Guidelines) and the Portfolio Management Agreement, including having the power to approve Restricted Transactions (as defined in the Advisory Committee Guidelines) in accordance with the Advisory Committee Guidelines.
- (b) Each Holder of any Notes, by its acceptance thereof, shall be deemed to have approved each consent and other action taken by the members of the Advisory Committee to the extent contemplated in this Indenture (including the Advisory Committee Guidelines) and the Portfolio Management Agreement.

ARTICLE XIII

NOTEHOLDERS' RELATIONS

Section 13.1 <u>Subordination</u>. (a) Anything in this Indenture or the Notes to the contrary notwithstanding, the Holders of each Class of Notes that constitute a Junior Class agree for the benefit of the Holders of the Notes of each Priority Class with respect to such Junior

Class that such Junior Class shall be subordinate and junior to the Notes of each such Priority Class to the extent and in the manner set forth in this Indenture.

- (b) If any Holder of Notes of any Junior Class shall have received any payment or distribution in respect of such Notes contrary to the provisions of this Indenture, then, unless and until each Priority Class with respect thereto shall have been paid in full in Cash or, to the extent a Majority of such Priority Class consents, other than in Cash in accordance with this Indenture, such payment or distribution shall be received and held in trust for the benefit of, and shall forthwith be paid over and delivered to, the Trustee, which shall pay and deliver the same to the Holders of the applicable Priority Class(es) in accordance with this Indenture; provided that if any such payment or distribution is made other than in Cash, it shall be held by the Trustee as part of the Assets and subject in all respects to the provisions of this Indenture, including this Section 13.1.
- (c) Each Holder of Notes of any Junior Class agrees with all Holders of the applicable Priority Classes that such Holder of Junior Class of Notes shall not demand, accept, or receive any payment or distribution in respect of such Notes in violation of the provisions of this Indenture including, without limitation, this <u>Section 13.1</u>; *provided* that after a Priority Class has been paid in full, the Holders of the related Junior Class or Classes shall be fully subrogated to the rights of the Holders of such Priority Class. Nothing in this <u>Section 13.1</u> shall affect the obligation of the Issuer to pay Holders of any Junior Class of Notes.
- (d) The Holders of each Class of Notes and beneficial owners of each Class of Notes agree, for the benefit of all Holders of each Class of Notes and beneficial owners of each Class of Notes, to the provisions of Section 5.4(d).

Section 13.2 <u>Standard of Conduct</u>. In exercising any of its or their voting rights, rights to direct and consent or any other rights as a Holder or beneficial owner under this Indenture, each Holder and each beneficial owner of Secured Notes or Subordinated Notes (a) does not owe any duty of care to any Person and is not obligated to act in a fiduciary or advisory capacity to any Person (including, but not limited to, any other Holder or beneficial owner of Secured Notes or Subordinated Notes, the Issuer, the Trustee, any holder of ordinary shares of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager); (b) shall only consider the interests of itself and/or its affiliates; and (c) shall not be prohibited from engaging in activities that compete or conflict with those of any Person (including, but not limited to, any Holder or beneficial owner of Secured Notes or Subordinated Notes, the Issuer, the Trustee, any holder of ordinary shares of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager), nor shall any such restrictions apply to any affiliates of any Holder or beneficial owner.

ARTICLE XIV

MISCELLANEOUS

Section 14.1 <u>Form of Documents Delivered to Trustee</u>. In any case where several matters are required to be certified by, or covered by an opinion of, any specified Person, it is not necessary that all such matters be certified by, or covered by the opinion of, only one

such Person, or that they be so certified or covered by only one document, but one such Person may certify or give an opinion with respect to some matters and one or more other such Persons as to other matters, and any such Person may certify or give an opinion as to such matters in one or several documents.

Any certificate or opinion of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, counsel (provided that such counsel is a nationally or internationally recognized and reputable law firm, one or more of the partners of which are admitted to practice before the highest court of any State of the United States or the District of Columbia (or Bermuda, in the case of an opinion relating to the laws of Bermuda), which law firm may, except as otherwise expressly provided in this Indenture, be counsel for the Issuer or the Co-Issuer), unless such Officer knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which such certificate or opinion is based are erroneous. Any such certificate of an Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager or Opinion of Counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or any other Person (on which the Trustee shall also be entitled to rely), stating that the information with respect to such factual matters is in the possession of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or such other Person, unless such Officer of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Portfolio Manager or such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous. Any Opinion of Counsel may also be based, insofar as it relates to factual matters, upon a certificate or opinion of, or representations by, an Officer of the Portfolio Manager or the Issuer, stating that the information with respect to such matters is in the possession of the Portfolio Manager, the Issuer or the Co-Issuer, unless such counsel knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to such matters are erroneous.

Where any Person is required to make, give or execute two or more applications, requests, consents, certificates, statements, opinions or other instruments under this Indenture, they may, but need not, be consolidated and form one instrument.

Whenever in this Indenture it is provided that the absence of the occurrence and continuation of a Default or Event of Default is a condition precedent to the taking of any action by the Trustee at the request or direction of the Applicable Issuers, then notwithstanding that the satisfaction of such condition is a condition precedent to the Applicable Issuer's right to make such request or direction, the Trustee shall be protected in acting in accordance with such request or direction if it does not have knowledge of the occurrence and continuation of such Default or Event of Default as provided in Section 6.1(d).

The Trustee agrees to accept and act upon instructions, certifications or directions or similar communications pursuant to this Indenture sent by unsecured email or other similar unsecured electronic methods. If such person elects to give the Trustee facsimile instructions (or instructions by a similar electronic method) and the Trustee in its discretion elects to act upon such instructions, the Trustee's reasonable understanding of such instructions shall be deemed controlling. The Trustee shall not be liable for any losses, costs or expenses arising directly or indirectly from the Trustee's reliance upon and compliance with such instructions

notwithstanding such instructions conflicting with or being inconsistent with a subsequent written instruction. Any person providing such instructions acknowledges and agrees that there may be more secure methods of transmitting such instructions than the method(s) selected by it and agrees that the security procedures (if any) to be followed in connection with its transmission of such instructions provide to it a commercially reasonable degree of protection in light of its particular needs and circumstances.

Section 14.2 <u>Acts of Holders</u>. (a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by Holders or beneficial owners of Notes may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such Holders or such beneficial owners in person or by an agent duly appointed in writing; and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee, and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. Such instrument or instruments (and the action or actions embodied therein and evidenced thereby) are herein sometimes referred to as the "Act" of the Holders signing such instrument or instruments. Proof of execution of any such instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Co-Issuers, if made in the manner provided in this <u>Section 14.2</u>.

- (b) The fact and date of the execution by any Person of any such instrument or writing may be proved in any manner which the Trustee deems sufficient.
- (c) The principal amount or face amount, as the case may be, and registered numbers of Notes held by any Person, and the date of such Person's holding the same, shall be proved by the Register.
- (d) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action by the Holder of any Notes shall bind the Holder (and any transferee thereof) of such and of every Note issued upon the registration thereof or in exchange therefor or in lieu thereof, in respect of anything done, omitted or suffered to be done by the Trustee or the Issuer in reliance thereon, whether or not notation of such action is made upon such Notes.
- Section 14.3 Notices, etc., to Trustee, the Co-Issuers, the Portfolio Manager, the Initial Purchaser, the Collateral Administrator, the Paying Agent, the Administrator, each Hedge Counterparty and the Rating Agency. (a) Any request, demand, authorization, direction, instruction, order, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Holders or beneficial owners or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be made upon, given, emailed or furnished to, or filed with any of the parties indicated below shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder if made, given, furnished or filed in writing to and mailed, by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivered, sent by overnight courier service guaranteeing next day delivery, by email, or by facsimile in legible form at the following address applicable to such form of delivery (or at any other address provided in writing by the relevant party):
 - (i) the Trustee and, so long as the Trustee is the Paying Agent, the Paying Agent, at its applicable Corporate Trust Office; *provided* that any demand, authorization,

direction, instruction, order, notice, consent, waiver or other document sent to the Bank (in any capacity hereunder) shall be deemed effective only upon receipt thereof by an Authorized Officer;

- (ii) the Issuer at c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd., Canons Court, 22 Victoria Street, Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda, Attention: The Directors, telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300, email: ags-ky-Structured-finance@global-ags.com, with a copy to the Portfolio Manager at its address below;
- (iii) the Co-Issuer at c/o Puglisi & Associates, 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204, Newark, Delaware 19711, Attention: Donald J. Puglisi, facsimile no.: (302) 738-7210, telephone no.: (302) 738-6680, email: dpuglisi@puglisiassoc.com, with a copy to the Portfolio Manager at its address below;
- (iv) the Portfolio Manager at Apex Credit Partners LLC, 520 Madison Avenue, New York, New York, 10022, Attention: General Counsel, telephone no.: (212) 708-2748, email: aklepack@jefferies.com;
- (v) the Initial Purchaser at Jefferies LLC, 520 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10022 Attention: Global CDO Trading, or at any other address subsequently furnished in writing to the Co-Issuers and the Trustee by the Initial Purchaser;
- (vi) the Collateral Administrator at U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, 190 South LaSalle Street, MK-IL-SL08, Chicago, Illinois, 60603, Attention: Global Corporate Trust Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., or at any other address previously furnished in writing to the parties hereto or sent by e-mail to: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com;
- (vii) subject to <u>clause (c)</u> below and <u>Section 7.20</u>, the Rating Agency shall be sufficient for every purpose hereunder (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) (a) in connection with any request to S&P for a confirmation of its Initial Ratings of the Secured Notes in connection with the Effective Date, an email to CDOEffectiveDatePortfolios@spglobal.com, (b) in connection with any application for a ratings estimate by S&P in respect of a Collateral Obligation, an email to creditestimates@spglobal.com, (c) in connection with any request for S&P CDO Monitor cases, an email to CDOMonitor@spglobal.com and (d) in all other cases, an email to cdo surveillance@spglobal.com that information has been posted to the 17g-5 Website;
- (viii) the Administrator at c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd., Canons Court, 22 Victoria Street, Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda, Attention: The Directors, telephone no.: +1 441 298-3300, email: ags-ky-structured-finance@global-ags.com; and
- (ix) if to any Hedge Counterparty, in accordance with the notice provisions of the related Hedge Agreement.

- (x) the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange at Cayman Islands Stock Exchange, Listing, PO Box 2408, Grand Cayman, KY1-1105, Cayman Islands, telephone no.: +1 (345) 945-6060, facsimile no.: +1 (345) 945-6061, email: listing@csx.ky and csx@csx.ky.
- (b) If any provision in this Indenture calls for any notice or document to be delivered simultaneously to the Trustee and any other Person or entity, the Trustee's receipt of such notice or document shall entitle the Trustee to assume that such notice or document was delivered to such other Person or entity unless otherwise expressly specified herein.
- (c) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein or in any agreement or document related thereto, any request, demand, authorization, direction, instruction, order, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Noteholders or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to be sent to the Rating Agency shall be sent by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer and, if pursuant to the terms of this Indenture, the Trustee is to send such request, demand, authorization, direction, instruction, order, notice, consent, waiver or Act of Noteholders or other documents provided or permitted by this Indenture to the Rating Agency, it shall instead be sent to the Portfolio Manager first for dissemination to the Rating Agency.
- (d) Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary contained herein or in any agreement or document related thereto, any report, statement or other information required to be provided by the Issuer or the Trustee may be provided by providing access to a password-protected website containing such information.
- Section 14.4 <u>Notices to Holders; Waiver</u>. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, where this Indenture provides for notice to Holders of any event,
- (a) such notice shall be sufficiently given to Holders if in writing and mailed, first class postage prepaid (or, in the case of Holders of Global Notes, emailed to DTC), to each Holder affected by such event, at the address of such Holder as it appears in the Register not earlier than the earliest date and not later than the latest date, prescribed for the giving of such notice; and
 - (b) such notice shall be in the English language.
- (c) for so long as any Notes are listed on the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange and the guidelines of the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange so require, notices to the Holders of such Notes shall also be sent to the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange.

Such notices shall be deemed to have been given on the date of such mailing.

Notwithstanding <u>clause (a)</u> above, a Holder may give the Trustee a written notice that it is requesting that notices to it be given by email and stating the email address for such transmission. Thereafter, the Trustee shall give notices to such Holder by email, as so requested; *provided* that if such notice also requests that notices be given by mail, then such notice shall

also be given by mail in accordance with <u>clause (a)</u> above. In lieu of the foregoing, notices for Holders may also be posted to the Trustee's password-protected internet website.

Subject to the requirements of Section 14.15, the Trustee shall make available to the Holders any information or notice relating to this Indenture requested to be so delivered by at least 25% of the Holders of any Class of Notes (by Aggregate Outstanding Amount), at the expense of the Issuer; provided that the Trustee may decline to send any such notice that it reasonably determines to be contrary to (i) any of the terms of this Indenture, (ii) any duty or obligation that the Trustee may have hereunder, (iii) applicable law or (iv) the terms of any confidentiality or non-disclosure agreement to which the Trustee is party in connection with the performance of its duties hereunder (including, without limitation, contained in any agreement or acknowledgment governing any report, statement or certificate prepared by the Issuer's accountants). The Trustee may require the requesting Holders to comply with its standard verification policies in order to confirm Noteholder status.

Neither the failure to provide any notice, nor any defect in any notice so made available, to any particular Holder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. In case by reason of the suspension of regular mail service as a result of a strike, work stoppage or similar activity or by reason of any other cause it shall be impracticable to give such notice by mail of any event to Holders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture, then such notification to Holders as shall be made with the approval of the Trustee shall constitute a sufficient notification to such Holders for every purpose hereunder.

Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by any Person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Trustee but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

Section 14.5 <u>Effect of Headings and Table of Contents</u>. The Article and Section headings herein (including those used in cross-references herein) and the Table of Contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

Section 14.6 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. All covenants and agreements in this Indenture by the Co-Issuers shall bind their respective successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

Section 14.7 <u>Severability</u>. If any term, provision, covenant or condition of this Indenture or the Notes, or the application thereof to any party hereto or any circumstance, is held to be unenforceable, invalid or illegal (in whole or in part) for any reason (in any relevant jurisdiction), the remaining terms, provisions, covenants and conditions of this Indenture or the Notes, modified by the deletion of the unenforceable, invalid or illegal portion (in any relevant jurisdiction), shall continue in full force and effect, and such unenforceability, invalidity, or illegality shall not otherwise affect the enforceability, validity or legality of the remaining terms, provisions, covenants and conditions of this Indenture or the Notes, as the case may be, so long

as this Indenture or the Notes, as the case may be, as so modified continues to express, without material change, the original intentions of the parties as to the subject matter hereof and the deletion of such portion of this Indenture or the Notes, as the case may be, shall not substantially impair the respective expectations or reciprocal obligations of the parties or the practical realization of the benefits that would otherwise be conferred upon the parties.

Section 14.8 <u>Benefits of Indenture</u>. Nothing in this Indenture or in the Notes, expressed or implied, shall give to any Person, other than the parties hereto and their successors hereunder, the Portfolio Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders of the Notes and (to the extent provided herein) the Administrator (solely in its capacity as such) and the other Secured Parties any benefit or any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture; *provided* that the Initial Purchaser shall be an express third-party beneficiary of <u>clause (xv)</u> of <u>Section 8.1</u>, the second sentence of <u>Section 8.4(c)</u> and <u>Section 16.1(i)</u>.

Section 14.9 <u>Legal Holidays</u>. If the date of any Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity shall not be a Business Day, then notwithstanding any other provision of the Notes or this Indenture, payment need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the nominal date of any such Payment Date, Redemption Date or Stated Maturity date.

Section 14.10 <u>Governing Law</u>. THIS INDENTURE AND THE NOTES SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND THIS INDENTURE AND THE NOTES AND ANY MATTERS ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER TO THIS INDENTURE OR THE NOTES (WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE), SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Section 14.11 <u>Submission to Jurisdiction</u>. With respect to any suit, action or Proceedings relating to this Indenture or any matter between the parties arising under or in connection with this Indenture, each party irrevocably: (i) submits to the non-exclusive jurisdiction of the Supreme Court of the State of New York sitting in the Borough of Manhattan and the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, and any appellate court from any thereof; and (ii) waives any objection which it may have at any time to the laying of venue of any suit, action or Proceedings brought in any such court, waives any claim that such suit, action or Proceedings has been brought in an inconvenient forum and further waives the right to object, with respect to such suit, action or Proceedings, that such court does not have any jurisdiction over such party. Nothing in this Indenture precludes any of the parties from bringing suit, action or Proceedings in any one or more jurisdictions preclude the bringing of suit, action or Proceedings in any other jurisdiction.

Section 14.12 <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. EACH OF THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE HOLDERS AND THE TRUSTEE HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE, THE NOTES OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY. Each party hereby (i) certifies that no representative, agent or attorney of the other

has represented, expressly or otherwise, that the other would not, in the event of a Proceeding, seek to enforce the foregoing waiver and (ii) acknowledges that it has been induced to enter into this Indenture by, among other things, the mutual waivers and certifications in this paragraph.

Section 14.13 Counterparts. This Indenture (and each amendment, modification and waiver in respect of it) and the Notes may be executed and delivered in counterparts (including by facsimile transmission), each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of which together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement shall become binding when one or more counterparts hereof, individually or taken together, shall bear the signatures of all of the parties reflected hereon as the signatories. Any signature (including, without limitation, any electronic signature (including any symbol or process attached to, or associated with, a contract or other record and adopted by a Person with the intent to sign, authenticate or accept such contract or record)) hereto or to any other certificate, agreement or document related to the transactions contemplated by this Agreement, and any contract formation or record-keeping, in each case, through electronic means, including, without limitation, through e-mail or portable document format, shall have the same legal validity and enforceability as a manually executed signature or use of a paper-based record-keeping system to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. For the avoidance of doubt, the foregoing also applies to any amendment, supplement, restatement, extension or renewal of this Agreement. Any requirement in this Indenture that a document is to be signed or authenticated by "manual signature" or similar language shall not be deemed to prohibit signature to be by facsimile or electronic signature and shall not be deemed to prohibit delivery thereof by electronic transmission.

Section 14.14 <u>Acts of Issuer</u>. Any report, information, communication, request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or performed by the Issuer shall be effective if given or performed by the Issuer or by the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf.

The Issuer agrees to coordinate with the Portfolio Manager with respect to any communication to a Rating Agency and to comply with the provisions of this <u>Section 14.14</u> and Section 14.17, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Portfolio Manager.

Section 14.15 <u>Confidential Information</u>. (a) The Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and each Holder and beneficial owner of Notes shall maintain the confidentiality of all Confidential Information in accordance with procedures adopted by the Issuer (after consultation with the Co-Issuer) or such Holder or beneficial owner in good faith to protect Confidential Information of third parties delivered to such Person; *provided* that such Person may deliver or disclose Confidential Information to: (i) such Person's directors, trustees, officers, employees, agents, attorneys and affiliates who agree to hold confidential the Confidential Information substantially in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 14.15</u> and to the extent such disclosure is reasonably required for the administration of this Indenture, the matters contemplated hereby or the investment represented by the Notes; (ii) such Person's legal advisers, financial advisers and other professional advisers who agree to hold confidential the Confidential Information substantially in accordance with the terms of this <u>Section 14.15</u> and to the extent such disclosure is reasonably required for the administration of this Indenture, the matters contemplated hereby or the investment represented by the Notes; (iii) any other Holder,

or any of the other parties to this Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement or the Collateral Administration Agreement; (iv) any Person of the type that would be, to such Person's knowledge, permitted to acquire Notes in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.5 hereof to which such Person sells or offers to sell any such Notes or any part thereof (if such Person has agreed in writing prior to its receipt of such Confidential Information to be bound by the provisions of this Section 14.15); (v) any other Person from which such former Person offers to purchase any security of the Co-Issuers (if such other Person has agreed in writing prior to its receipt of such Confidential Information to be bound by the provisions of this Section 14.15); (vi) any federal or state or other regulatory, governmental or judicial authority having jurisdiction over such Person; (vii) the National Association of Insurance Commissioners or any similar organization, or any nationally recognized rating agency that requires access to information about the investment portfolio of such Person, reinsurers and liquidity and credit providers that agree to hold confidential the Confidential Information substantially in accordance with this Section 14.15; (viii) S&P (subject to Section 14.17 and, with respect to the Trustee in its capacity as Information Agent, Section 7.21 hereof); (ix) any other Person with the consent of the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager; or (x) any other Person to which such delivery or disclosure may be necessary or appropriate (A) to effect compliance with any law, rule, regulation or order applicable to such Person, (B) in response to any subpoena or other legal process upon prior notice to the Co-Issuers (unless prohibited by applicable law, rule, order or decree or other requirement having the force of law), (C) in connection with any litigation to which such Person is a party upon prior notice to the Co-Issuers (unless prohibited by applicable law, rule, order or decree or other requirement having the force of law) or (D) if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, to the extent such Person may reasonably determine such delivery and disclosure to be necessary or appropriate in the enforcement or for the protection of the rights and remedies under the Notes or this Indenture or (E) in the Trustee's or Collateral Administrator's performance of its obligations under this Indenture, the Collateral Administration Agreement or other transaction document related thereto; provided further that delivery to Holders or beneficial owners by the Trustee or the Collateral Administrator of any report of information required by the terms of this Indenture to be provided to Holders or beneficial owners shall not be a violation of this Section 14.15. Each Holder and beneficial owner of Notes agrees, except as set forth in clauses (vi), (vii) and (x) above, that it shall use the Confidential Information for the sole purpose of making an investment in the Notes or administering its investment in the Notes; and that the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator shall neither be required nor authorized to disclose to Holders or beneficial owners of Notes any Confidential Information in violation of this Section 14.15. In the event of any required disclosure of the Confidential Information by such Holder or beneficial owner, such Holder or beneficial owner agrees to use reasonable efforts to protect the confidentiality of the Confidential Information. Each Holder and each beneficial owner of Notes, by its acceptance of its interest in such Notes, shall be deemed to have agreed to be bound by and to be entitled to the benefits of this Section 14.15.

(b) For the purposes of this <u>Section 14.15</u>, "**Confidential Information**" means information delivered to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any Holder or beneficial owner of Notes by or on behalf of the Co-Issuers in connection with and relating to the transactions contemplated by or otherwise pursuant to this Indenture; *provided* that such term

does not include information that: (i) was publicly known or otherwise known to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or such Holder or beneficial owner prior to the time of such disclosure; (ii) subsequently becomes publicly known through no act or omission by the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, any Holder or beneficial owner or any person acting on behalf of the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any Holder or beneficial owner; (iii) otherwise is known or becomes known to the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or any Holder or beneficial owner other than (x) through disclosure by the Co-Issuers or (y) to the knowledge of the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or a Holder or beneficial owner, as the case may be, in each case after reasonable inquiry, as a result of the breach of a fiduciary duty to the Co-Issuers or a contractual duty to the Co-Issuers; or (iv) is allowed to be treated as non-confidential by consent of the Co-Issuers and the Portfolio Manager.

(c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator may disclose Confidential Information to the extent disclosure thereof may be required by law or by any regulatory or governmental authority, and the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator may disclose on a confidential basis any Confidential Information to its agents, attorneys and auditors in connection with the performance of its responsibilities hereunder or under the Collateral Administration Agreement. In addition, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Holders and beneficial owners of the Notes (and each of their respective employees, representatives or other agents) may disclose to any and all Persons, without limitation of any kind, the U.S. federal, state and local income tax treatment of the Co-Issuers, the Notes, and the transactions contemplated by this Indenture and all materials of any kind (including opinions or other tax analyses) relating to such U.S. federal, state, and local tax treatment and that may be relevant to understanding such U.S. federal, state, and local tax treatment.

Section 14.16 <u>Liability of Co-Issuers</u>. Notwithstanding any other terms of this Indenture, the Notes or any other agreement entered into between, inter alia, the Co-Issuers or otherwise, neither of the Co-Issuers shall have any liability whatsoever to the other of the Co-Issuers under this Indenture, the Notes, any such agreement or otherwise and, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, neither of the Co-Issuers shall be entitled to take any action to enforce, or bring any suit, action or Proceeding, in respect of this Indenture, the Notes, any such agreement or otherwise against the other of the Co-Issuers. In particular, neither of the Co-Issuers shall be entitled to petition or take any other steps for the winding up or bankruptcy of the other of the Co-Issuers or shall have any claim in respect to any assets of the other of the Co-Issuers.

Section 14.17 <u>Communications with the Rating Agency</u>. (a) If the Issuer shall receive any written or oral communication from the Rating Agency (or any of its respective officers, directors or employees) with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby or under the Transaction Documents or in any way relating to the Notes, the Issuer agrees to refrain from communicating with such Rating Agency and to promptly (and, in any event, within one Business Day) notify the Portfolio Manager of such communication. The Issuer agrees that in no event shall it engage in any oral or written communication with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby or under the Transaction Documents or in any way relating to the Notes with the Rating Agency (or any of its respective officers, directors or employees) without the

participation of the Portfolio Manager, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Portfolio Manager. The Trustee agrees that in no event shall a Trust Officer engage in any oral or written communication with respect to the transactions contemplated hereby or under the Transaction Documents or in any way relating to the Notes with the Rating Agency without the prior written consent (which may be in the form of email correspondence) or participation of the Portfolio Manager, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the Portfolio Manager; *provided* that nothing in this Section 14.17 shall prohibit the Trustee from making available on its internet website the Monthly Reports, Distribution Reports and other notices or documentation relating to the Notes or this Indenture.

Section 14.18 <u>Trustee Consent to Share Transfer and Bermuda Security Agreement; Notice of SPE Amendments</u>. The Trustee is authorized and directed to execute (i) an instrument authorizing payment by the Issuer on the Closing Date, in accordance with the Share Transfer Agreement, to The Bank of Nova Scotia (in its capacity as sole member of the Warehousing SPE immediately prior to the Share Transfer) of the cash consideration specified in the Share Transfer Agreement, free of the security interest granted by the Issuer pursuant to this Indenture and (ii) the Bermuda Security Agreement consenting to the Issuer's (a) granting of security interest in the Assets and (b) authorization to the Register of Companies of Bermuda to record and register the Bermuda Security Agreement. In addition, from and after the completion of the Share Transfer, if any amendments are made to the articles or other organizational documents of the Warehousing SPE, the Issuer shall provide notice thereof to S&P.

Section 14.19 <u>Contributions</u>. (a) Subject to the prior written consent of the Portfolio Manager and certain conditions described in this Indenture, (i) any Holder of Subordinated Notes, by delivery of a written notice to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator and the Portfolio Manager in the form of <u>Exhibit D</u>, may make a voluntary contribution of cash (each, a "**Cash Contribution**") and (ii) any Holder of Subordinated Notes issued in the form of Certificated Notes may, with notice to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator delivered at least three Business Days prior to the related Payment Date by delivery of a written notice in the form of <u>Exhibit D</u>, designate as a contribution to the Issuer any portion of Interest Proceeds or Principal Proceeds that would otherwise be distributed to such Holder in accordance with the Priority of Payments (each, a "**Reinvestment Contribution**" and, together with Cash Contributions, "**Contributions**") *provided*, that, except with respect to any Contribution designated to a Permitted Use set forth in clauses (v) or (vi) of the definition thereof, any portion of Principal Proceeds designated as a Reinvestment Contribution pursuant to the foregoing clause (ii) may not be subsequently designated as Interest Proceeds.

(b) The Portfolio Manager, on behalf of the Issuer, may accept or reject any Contribution in its sole discretion (notice of which determination shall be provided to the Issuer and the Trustee). Contributions shall be repaid to the applicable Contributor (by wire in accordance with the payment instructions provided to the Trustee by each Contributor) on the first Payment Date or Payment Dates on which funds in respect thereof are available in accordance with the Priority of Payments (such applicable amount inclusive of the Contribution, the "Contribution Repayment Amount"); provided, that such Contributor may irrevocably waive all or a portion of the applicable Contribution Repayment Amount.

- (c) No Contribution or portion thereof will be returned to the Contributor at any time other than by operation of the Priority of Payments.
- (d) Each Contribution will be deposited into the Permitted Use Account and applied by the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer to a Permitted Use (including for use to repurchase Notes or for the purchase or acquisition of additional Collateral Obligations during the Reinvestment Period for the account of the Issuer, or for the purchase or acquisition of Loss Mitigation Obligations or Specified Equity Securities) as designated by the related Contributor (or, in the absence of such designation, as designated by the Portfolio Manager (in its sole discretion)). For the avoidance of doubt, any amounts deposited into the Permitted Use Account pursuant to a Reinvestment Contribution will be deemed for all purposes as having been paid to such Holder of the Subordinated Notes pursuant to the Priority of Payments on such Payment Date (except for purposes of payment of the Contribution Repayment Amount on subsequent Payment Dates).

ARTICLE XV

ASSIGNMENT OF PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Section 15.1 Assignment of Portfolio Management Agreement. (a) The Issuer hereby acknowledges that its Grant pursuant to the first Granting Clause hereof includes all of the Issuer's estate, right, title and interest in, to and under the Portfolio Management Agreement, including (i) the right to give all notices, consents and releases thereunder, (ii) the right to give all notices of termination and to take any legal action upon the breach of an obligation of the Portfolio Manager thereunder, including the commencement, conduct and consummation of Proceedings at law or in equity, (iii) the right to receive all notices, accountings, consents, releases and statements thereunder and (iv) the right to do any and all other things whatsoever that the Issuer is or may be entitled to do thereunder; provided that notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Trustee shall not have the authority to exercise any of the rights set forth in (i) through (iv) above or that may otherwise arise as a result of the Grant until the occurrence of an Event of Default hereunder and such authority shall terminate at such time, if any, as such Event of Default is cured or waived. From and after the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default, the Portfolio Manager shall continue to perform and be bound by the provisions of the Portfolio Management Agreement and this Indenture. The Trustee shall be entitled to rely and be protected in relying upon all actions and omissions to act of the Portfolio Manager thereafter as fully as if no Event of Default had occurred.

- (b) The assignment made hereby is executed as collateral security, and the execution and delivery hereby shall not in any way impair or diminish the obligations of the Issuer under the provisions of the Portfolio Management Agreement, nor shall any of the obligations contained in the Portfolio Management Agreement be imposed on the Trustee.
- (c) Upon the retirement of the Notes, the payment of all amounts required to be paid pursuant to the Priority of Payments and the release of the Assets from the lien of this

Indenture, this assignment and all rights herein assigned to the Trustee for the benefit of the Secured Parties shall cease and terminate and all the estate, right, title and interest of the Trustee in, to and under the Portfolio Management Agreement shall revert to the Issuer and no further instrument or act shall be necessary to evidence such termination and reversion.

- (d) The Issuer represents that the Issuer has not executed any other assignment of the Portfolio Management Agreement.
- (e) The Issuer agrees that this assignment is irrevocable, and that it shall not take any action which is inconsistent with this assignment or make any other assignment inconsistent herewith. The Issuer shall, from time to time, execute all instruments of further assurance and all such supplemental instruments with respect to this assignment as may be necessary to continue and maintain the effectiveness of such assignment.
- (f) The Issuer hereby agrees, and hereby undertakes to obtain the agreement and consent of the Portfolio Manager in the Portfolio Management Agreement, to the following:
 - (i) The Portfolio Manager shall consent to the provisions of this assignment and agree to perform any provisions of this Indenture applicable to the Portfolio Manager subject to the terms (including the standard of care set forth in the Portfolio Management Agreement) of the Portfolio Management Agreement.
 - (ii) The Portfolio Manager shall acknowledge that the Issuer is assigning all of its right, title and interest in, to and under the Portfolio Management Agreement to the Trustee as representative of the Noteholders and the Portfolio Manager shall agree that all of the representations, covenants and agreements made by the Portfolio Manager in the Portfolio Management Agreement are also for the benefit of the Trustee.
 - (iii) The Portfolio Manager shall deliver to the Trustee copies of all notices, statements, communications and instruments delivered or required to be delivered by the Portfolio Manager to the Issuer pursuant to the Portfolio Management Agreement.
 - (iv) Neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager will enter into any agreement amending, modifying or terminating the Portfolio Management Agreement (other than an amendment to (x) correct inconsistencies, typographical or other errors, defects or ambiguities, (y) conform the Portfolio Management Agreement to the final Offering Circular with respect to the Notes or to this Indenture (as it may be amended from time to time pursuant to Article VIII) or (z) with the consent of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes, permanently or temporarily remove any Portfolio Management Fee payable to the Portfolio Manager) or selecting or consenting to a successor manager unless (A) a Majority of the Controlling Class does not object to such amendment, modification or waiver within 10 Business Days after the Issuer provides notice thereof, provided that, notwithstanding this clause (A), if the effect of such amendment is to modify any provisions of the Portfolio Management Agreement with respect to the rights of the Controlling Class to consent to any action thereunder, neither the Issuer nor the Portfolio Manager will enter into any such agreement to amend, modify or terminate the Portfolio

Management Agreement without the written consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, and (B) if such amendment or modification (i) would increase one or more of the prescribed percentages that are used to determine one or more of the Portfolio Management Fees (as contemplated by the definitions thereof) and would have a material adverse effect on the rights of the holders of the Subordinated Notes or (ii) would otherwise have a material adverse effect on the rights of the holders of the Subordinated Notes, then a Majority of the Subordinated Notes does not object to such amendment or modification within 10 Business Days after the Issuer provides notice thereof; provided in each case that, subject to the conditions to appointment of a successor manager, the Portfolio Management Agreement may be amended or replaced to evidence or effect such succession.

- Except as otherwise set forth herein and therein (including pursuant to (v) Section 9 of the Portfolio Management Agreement), the Portfolio Manager shall continue to serve as Portfolio Manager under the Portfolio Management Agreement notwithstanding that the Portfolio Manager shall not have received amounts due it under the Portfolio Management Agreement because sufficient funds were not then available hereunder to pay such amounts in accordance with the Priority of Payments set forth under Section 11.1. The Portfolio Manager agrees not to cause the filing of a petition in bankruptcy against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary for the nonpayment of the fees or other amounts payable by the Issuer to the Portfolio Manager under the Portfolio Management Agreement until the payment in full of all Secured Notes (and any other debt obligations of the Issuer that have been rated upon issuance by the rating agency at the request of the Issuer) issued under this Indenture and the expiration of a period equal to one year and a day, or, if longer, the applicable preference period, following such payment. Nothing in this Section 15.1 shall preclude, or be deemed to stop, the Portfolio Manager (i) from taking any action prior to the expiration of the aforementioned period in (A) any case or Proceeding voluntarily filed or commenced by the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or (B) any involuntary insolvency Proceeding filed or commenced by a Person other than the Portfolio Manager, or (ii) from commencing against the Issuer or the Co-Issuer or any of its properties any legal action which is not a bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceeding.
- (vi) Except with respect to transactions contemplated by Section 5 of the Portfolio Management Agreement, if the Portfolio Manager determines that it or any of its Affiliates has a conflict of interest between the Holder of any Note and any other account or portfolio for which the Portfolio Manager or any of its Affiliates is serving as investment adviser which relates to any action to be taken with respect to any Asset, then the Portfolio Manager will give written notice to the Trustee, who shall promptly forward such notice to the relevant Holder, briefly describing such conflict and the action it proposes to take. The provisions of this clause (vi) shall not apply to any transaction permitted by the terms of the Portfolio Management Agreement.
- (g) Upon a Trust Officer of the Trustee receiving written notice from the Portfolio Manager that an event constituting "Cause" as defined in the Portfolio Management

Agreement has occurred, the Trustee shall, not later than one Business Day thereafter, notify the Noteholders (as their names appear in the Register) and the Rating Agency.

ARTICLE XVI

HEDGE AGREEMENTS

Section 16.1 <u>Hedge Agreements</u>. (a) Subject to the terms of this <u>Section 16.1</u>, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) may enter into Hedge Agreements, with the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class, from time to time on and after the Closing Date solely for the purpose of managing interest rate and other risks in connection with the Issuer's issuance of, and making payments on, the Notes. The Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall promptly provide written notice of entry into any Hedge Agreement to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Indenture, the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall not enter into any Hedge Agreement, or any modification of an existing Hedge Agreement, unless the S&P Rating Condition has been satisfied with respect thereto. The Issuer shall provide a copy of each Hedge Agreement to the Rating Agency and the Trustee.

- (b) Each Hedge Agreement shall contain appropriate limited recourse and non-petition provisions equivalent (*mutatis mutandis*) to those contained in Section 13.1(d) and Section 2.7(i). Each Hedge Counterparty shall be required to have, at the time that any Hedge Agreement to which it is a party is entered into, the Required Hedge Counterparty Ratings unless the S&P Rating Condition is satisfied, or credit support is provided as set forth in the Hedge Agreement. Payments with respect to Hedge Agreements shall be subject to Article XI. Each Hedge Agreement shall contain an acknowledgement by the Hedge Counterparty that the obligations of the Issuer to the Hedge Counterparty under the relevant Hedge Agreement shall be payable in accordance with Article XI.
- (c) In the event of any early termination of a Hedge Agreement with respect to which the Hedge Counterparty is the sole "defaulting party" or "affected party" (each as defined in the Hedge Agreements), notwithstanding any term hereof to the contrary, (i) any termination payment paid by the Hedge Counterparty to the Issuer may be paid to a replacement Hedge Counterparty at the direction of the Portfolio Manager and (ii) any payment received from a replacement Hedge Counterparty may be paid to the replaced Hedge Counterparty at the direction of the Portfolio Manager under the terminated Hedge Agreement.
- (d) The Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on its behalf) shall, upon receiving written notice of the exposure calculated under a credit support annex to any Hedge Agreement, if applicable, make a demand to the relevant Hedge Counterparty and its credit support provider, if applicable, for securities having a value (when added to any collateral then held by or on behalf of the Issuer pursuant to such credit support annex) under such credit support annex equal to the required credit support amount.
- (e) Each Hedge Agreement shall, at a minimum, (i) include requirements for collateralization by or replacement of the Hedge Counterparty (including timing requirements)

that satisfy Rating Agency criteria in effect at the time of execution of the Hedge Agreement; (ii) permit the Issuer to terminate such agreement (with the Hedge Counterparty bearing the costs of any replacement Hedge Agreement) for failure to satisfy such requirement; and (iii) require that the written terms of any derivative directly relate to the Collateral Obligations and the Notes and such derivative reduces the interest rate and/or foreign exchange risks related to the Collateral Obligations and the Notes.

- (f) The Issuer shall give prompt notice to the Rating Agency of any termination of a Hedge Agreement or agreement to provide Hedge Counterparty credit support. Any collateral received from a Hedge Counterparty under a Hedge Agreement shall be deposited in the Hedge Counterparty Collateral Account.
- (g) If a Hedge Counterparty has defaulted in the payment when due of its obligations to the Issuer under the Hedge Agreement, promptly after becoming aware thereof the Portfolio Manager shall make a demand on the Hedge Counterparty (or its guarantor under the Hedge Agreement) with a copy to the Trustee, demanding payment thereunder.
- (h) Each Hedge Agreement shall provide that it may not be terminated due to the occurrence of an Event of Default until liquidation of the Assets has commenced.
- The Issuer shall not be permitted to enter into or amend any Hedge Agreement without the consent of a Majority of the Controlling Class and unless (i) either (A) it obtains an opinion of Allen & Overy LLP, Sidley Austin LLP or an opinion of nationally recognized counsel experienced in such matters that the Issuer entering into such Hedge Agreement shall not cause it to be considered a "commodity pool" as defined in Section 1a(10) of the CEA, or (B) the Issuer shall be operated such that the Portfolio Manager and/or such other relevant party to the transaction, as applicable, shall be eligible for an exemption from registration as a "commodity pool operator" and a "commodity trading advisor" under the CEA and all conditions precedent to obtaining such an exemption have been satisfied, (ii) the Issuer receives an opinion of Allen & Overy LLP, Sidley Austin LLP or an opinion of nationally recognized counsel experienced in such matters approved by the Initial Purchaser that either (A) the Issuer entering into such Hedge Agreement shall not, in and of itself, cause the Issuer to become a "hedge fund or private equity fund" as defined for the purposes of Section 13 of the Bank Holding Company Act, as amended, or (B) if the Issuer were to become a "hedge fund or private equity fund," then an exemption would apply enabling a banking entity to sponsor or acquire an ownership interest in the Issuer, and to engage in covered transactions with the Issuer, notwithstanding the general prohibitions of such Section 13, (iii) the written terms of the Hedge Agreement directly relate to the Collateral Obligations and the Notes, and (iv) such Hedge Agreement reduces the interest rate and/or foreign exchange risks related to the Collateral Obligations and the Notes.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have set our hands as of the day and year first written above.

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SCHEDULE 1

ELIGIBLE LOAN/BOND INDICES

Eligible Loan Indices

- 1. CSFB Leveraged Loan Index
- 2. J.P. Morgan Leveraged Loan Index
- 3. Barclays Performing Loan Index
- 4. Deutsche Bank Leveraged Loan Index
- 5. Goldman Sachs/Loan Pricing Corporation Liquid Leveraged Loan Index
- 6. S&P/LSTA Leveraged Loan Index

Eligible Bond Indices

- 1. Bloomberg ticker HUC0
- 2. Bloomberg ticker H0A0
- 3. Bloomberg ticker HW40
- 4. Credit Suisse High Yield Index
- 5. Merrill Lynch US High Yield Master II Constrained Index

SCHEDULE 2

MOODY'S INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATION GROUP LIST

CORP - Aerospace & Defense	1
CORP - Automotive	2
CORP - Banking, Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3
CORP - Beverage, Food & Tobacco	4
CORP - Capital Equipment	5
CORP - Chemicals, Plastics, & Rubber	6
CORP - Construction & Building	7
CORP - Consumer goods: Durable	8
CORP - Consumer goods: Non-durable	9
CORP - Containers, Packaging & Glass	10
CORP - Energy: Electricity	11
CORP - Energy: Oil & Gas	12
CORP - Environmental Industries	13
CORP - Forest Products & Paper	14
CORP - Healthcare & Pharmaceuticals	15
CORP - High Tech Industries	16
CORP - Hotel, Gaming & Leisure	17
CORP - Media: Advertising, Printing & Publishing	18
CORP - Media: Broadcasting & Subscription	19
CORP - Media: Diversified & Production	20
CORP - Metals & Mining	21
CORP - Retail	22
CORP - Services: Business	23
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CORP - Sovereign & Public Finance	25
CORP - Telecommunications	26
CORP - Transportation: Cargo	27
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CORP - Utilities: Electric	29
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CORP - Utilities: Water	31
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SCHEDULE 3 S&P INDUSTRY CLASSIFICATIONS

Industry	Description	Industry	Paradiation.
Code	Description	Code	Description
1020000	Energy Equipment & Services	5220000	Personal Products
1030000	Oil, Gas & Consumable Fuels	6020000	Health Care Equipment & Supplies
1033403	Mortgage Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)	6030000	Health Care Providers & Services
2020000	Chemicals	9551729	Health Care Technology
2030000	Construction Materials	6110000	Biotechnology
2040000	Containers & Packaging	6120000	Pharmaceuticals
2050000	Metals & Mining	9551727	Life Sciences Tools & Services
2060000	Paper & Forest Products	7011000	Banks
3020000	Aerospace & Defense	7020000	Thrifts & Mortgage Finance
3030000	Building Products	7110000	Diversified Financial Services
3040000	Construction & Engineering	7120000	Consumer Finance
3050000	Electrical Equipment	7130000	Capital Markets
3060000	Industrial Conglomerates	7210000	Insurance
3070000	Machinery	7311000	Equity REITs
3080000	Trading Companies & Distributors	7310000	Real Estate Management & Development
3110000	Commercial Services & Supplies	8030000	IT Services
9612010	Professional Services	8040000	Software
3210000	Air Freight & Logistics	8110000	Communications Equipment
3220000	Airlines	8120000	Technology Hardware, Storage & Peripherals
3230000	Marine	8130000	Electronic Equipment, Instruments & Components
3240000	Road & Rail	8210000	Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment
3250000	Transportation Infrastructure	9020000	Diversified Telecommunication Services
4011000	Auto Components	9030000	Wireless Telecommunication Services
4020000	Automobiles	9520000	Electric Utilities
4110000	Household Durables	9530000	Gas Utilities
4120000	Leisure Products	9540000	Multi-Utilities
4130000	Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods	9550000	Water Utilities
4210000	Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure	9551702	Independent Power and Renewable Electricity Producers
9551701	Diversified Consumer Services	PF1	Project Finance: Industrial Equipment
4310000	Media	PF2	Project Finance: Leisure and Gaming
4300001	Entertainment	PF3	Project Finance: Natural Resources and Mining
4300002	Interactive Media and Services	PF4	Project Finance: Oil and Gas
4410000	Distributors	PF5	Project Finance: Power
4420000	Internet and Direct Marketing Retail	PF6	Project Finance: Public Finance and Real Estate
4430000	Multiline Retail	PF7	Project Finance: Telecommunications
4440000	Specialty Retail	PF8	Project Finance: Transport
5020000	Food & Staples Retailing	IPF	International Public Finance
5110000	Beverages		
5120000	Food Products		
5130000	Tobacco		
5210000	Household Products		

Industry		Industry			
Code	Description	Code	Description		

The S&P Industry Classifications will be those listed above or other industries as may be modified, amended or replace by S&P from time to time.

SCHEDULE 4

DIVERSITY SCORE TABLE

The Diversity Score is calculated as follows:

- (a) An *Issuer Par Amount* is calculated for each issuer of a Collateral Obligation, and is equal to the Aggregate Principal Balance of all Collateral Obligations issued by that issuer and all affiliates.
- (b) An *Average Par Amount* is calculated by summing the Issuer Par Amounts for all issuers, and dividing by the number of issuers.
- (c) An *Equivalent Unit Score* is calculated for each issuer, and is equal to the lesser of (x) one and (y) the Issuer Par Amount for such issuer divided by the Average Par Amount.
- (d) An *Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score* is then calculated for each of the Moody's Industry Classifications, shown on <u>Schedule 2</u>, and is equal to the sum of the Equivalent Unit Scores for each issuer in such Moody's Industry Classification.
- (e) An *Industry Diversity Score* is then established for each Moody's Industry Classification, shown on <u>Schedule 2</u>, by reference to the following table for the related Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score; **provided** that if any Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score falls between any two such scores, the applicable Industry Diversity Score will be the lower of the two Industry Diversity Scores:

Aggregate Industry Equivalent Unit Score	Industry Diversity Score						
0.0000	0.0000	5.0500	2.7000	10.1500	4.0200	15.2500	4.5300
0.0500	0.1000	5.1500	2.7333	10.2500	4.0300	15.3500	4.5400
0.1500	0.2000	5.2500	2.7667	10.3500	4.0400	15.4500	4.5500
0.2500	0.3000	5.3500	2.8000	10.4500	4.0500	15.5500	4.5600
0.3500	0.4000	5.4500	2.8333	10.5500	4.0600	15.6500	4.5700
0.4500	0.5000	5.5500	2.8667	10.6500	4.0700	15.7500	4.5800
0.5500	0.6000	5.6500	2.9000	10.7500	4.0800	15.8500	4.5900
0.6500	0.7000	5.7500	2.9333	10.8500	4.0900	15.9500	4.6000
0.7500	0.8000	5.8500	2.9667	10.9500	4.1000	16.0500	4.6100
0.8500	0.9000	5.9500	3.0000	11.0500	4.1100	16.1500	4.6200
0.9500	1.0000	6.0500	3.0250	11.1500	4.1200	16.2500	4.6300
1.0500	1.0500	6.1500	3.0500	11.2500	4.1300	16.3500	4.6400
1.1500	1.1000	6.2500	3.0750	11.3500	4.1400	16.4500	4.6500
1.2500	1.1500	6.3500	3.1000	11.4500	4.1500	16.5500	4.6600
1.3500	1.2000	6.4500	3.1250	11.5500	4.1600	16.6500	4.6700
1.4500	1.2500	6.5500	3.1500	11.6500	4.1700	16.7500	4.6800
1.5500	1.3000	6.6500	3.1750	11.7500	4.1800	16.8500	4.6900
1.6500	1.3500	6.7500	3.2000	11.8500	4.1900	16.9500	4.7000

Aggregate Industry	Industry	Aggregate Industry	Industry	Aggregate Industry	Industry	Aggregate Industry	Industry
Equivalent	Diversity	Equivalent	Diversity	Equivalent	Diversity	Equivalent	Diversity
Unit Score	Score						
1.7500	1.4000	6.8500	3.2250	11.9500	4.2000	17.0500	4.7100
1.8500	1.4500	6.9500	3.2500	12.0500	4.2100	17.1500	4.7200
1.9500	1.5000	7.0500	3.2750	12.1500	4.2200	17.2500	4.7300
2.0500	1.5500	7.1500	3.3000	12.2500	4.2300	17.3500	4.7400
2.1500	1.6000	7.2500	3.3250	12.3500	4.2400	17.4500	4.7500
2.2500	1.6500	7.3500	3.3500	12.4500	4.2500	17.5500	4.7600
2.3500	1.7000	7.4500	3.3750	12.5500	4.2600	17.6500	4.7700
2.4500	1.7500	7.5500	3.4000	12.6500	4.2700	17.7500	4.7800
2.5500	1.8000	7.6500	3.4250	12.7500	4.2800	17.8500	4.7900
2.6500	1.8500	7.7500	3.4500	12.8500	4.2900	17.9500	4.8000
2.7500	1.9000	7.8500	3.4750	12.9500	4.3000	18.0500	4.8100
2.8500	1.9500	7.9500	3.5000	13.0500	4.3100	18.1500	4.8200
2.9500	2.0000	8.0500	3.5250	13.1500	4.3200	18.2500	4.8300
3.0500	2.0333	8.1500	3.5500	13.2500	4.3300	18.3500	4.8400
3.1500	2.0667	8.2500	3.5750	13.3500	4.3400	18.4500	4.8500
3.2500	2.1000	8.3500	3.6000	13.4500	4.3500	18.5500	4.8600
3.3500	2.1333	8.4500	3.6250	13.5500	4.3600	18.6500	4.8700
3.4500	2.1667	8.5500	3.6500	13.6500	4.3700	18.7500	4.8800
3.5500	2.2000	8.6500	3.6750	13.7500	4.3800	18.8500	4.8900
3.6500	2.2333	8.7500	3.7000	13.8500	4.3900	18.9500	4.9000
3.7500	2.2667	8.8500	3.7250	13.9500	4.4000	19.0500	4.9100
3.8500	2.3000	8.9500	3.7500	14.0500	4.4100	19.1500	4.9200
3.9500	2.3333	9.0500	3.7750	14.1500	4.4200	19.2500	4.9300
4.0500	2.3667	9.1500	3.8000	14.2500	4.4300	19.3500	4.9400
4.1500	2.4000	9.2500	3.8250	14.3500	4.4400	19.4500	4.9500
4.2500	2.4333	9.3500	3.8500	14.4500	4.4500	19.5500	4.9600
4.3500	2.4667	9.4500	3.8750	14.5500	4.4600	19.6500	4.9700
4.4500	2.5000	9.5500	3.9000	14.6500	4.4700	19.7500	4.9800
4.5500	2.5333	9.6500	3.9250	14.7500	4.4800	19.8500	4.9900
4.6500	2.5667	9.7500	3.9500	14.8500	4.4900	19.9500	5.0000
4.7500	2.6000	9.8500	3.9750	14.9500	4.5000		
4.8500	2.6333	9.9500	4.0000	15.0500	4.5100		
4.9500	2.6667	10.0500	4.0100	15.1500	4.5200		

- (f) The Diversity Score is then calculated by summing each of the Industry Diversity Scores for each Moody's Industry Classification shown on <u>Schedule 2</u>.
- (g) For purposes of calculating the Diversity Score, affiliated issuers in the same industry are deemed to be a single issuer except as otherwise agreed to by Moody's.

SCHEDULE 5

MOODY'S RATING DEFINITIONS

1. <u>Defined Terms</u>. The following terms shall be used in this <u>Schedule 5</u> with the meanings provided below.

"Assigned Moody's Rating" means, with respect to any obligation (or facility), (i) if such obligation (or facility) has a monitored publicly available rating by Moody's, such public rating or (ii) if such obligation (or facility) is not publicly rated by Moody's but a rating or rating estimate has been assigned by Moody's upon the request of the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager, such rating or, in the case of a rating estimate, the applicable rating estimate for such obligation (or facility), in each case that addresses the full amount of the principal and interest promised.

"CFR" means, with respect to the obligor of any Collateral Obligation, the corporate family rating (or credit estimate) assigned to such obligor by Moody's; *provided* that if the Obligor of any Collateral Obligation does not have a corporate family rating (or credit estimate) by Moody's but another entity in such obligor's corporate family does have a corporate family rating (or credit estimate) by Moody's, then corporate family rating (or credit estimate) of such other entity shall be the CFR for the obligor of such Collateral Obligation.

MOODY'S DEFAULT PROBABILITY RATING

With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

- (a) if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has a CFR, then such CFR;
- (b) if not determined pursuant to <u>clause (a)</u> above, if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has one or more senior unsecured obligations with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then the Assigned Moody's Rating on any such senior unsecured obligation as selected by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion;
- (c) if not determined pursuant to <u>clause (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> above, if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has one or more senior secured obligations with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then the Moody's rating that is one subcategory lower than the Assigned Moody's Rating on any such obligation as selected by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion;
- (d) if not determined pursuant to any of <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(c)</u> above, if a rating or rating estimate has been assigned to such Collateral Obligation by Moody's upon the request of the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager, such rating or, in the case of a rating estimate, the applicable rating estimate for such obligation so long as such rating estimate or a renewal for such rating estimate has been issued or provided by Moody's in each case within the 15 month period preceding the date on which a Moody's Default Probability Rating is determined;

- (e) if not determined pursuant to any of <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(d)</u> above and at the election of the Portfolio Manager, the Moody's Derived Rating; and
 - (f) if not determined pursuant to <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(e)</u> above, "Caa3";

provided that notwithstanding the methodology above, if a Collateral Obligation is a DIP Collateral Obligation, the Moody's Default Probability Rating of such Collateral Obligation shall be the Moody's Derived Rating set forth in clause (i) of the definition thereof. For purposes of calculating a Moody's Default Probability Rating in connection with the calculation of the Maximum Moody's Rating Factor Test, each applicable rating on credit watch by Moody's with positive or negative implication at the time of calculation will be treated as having been upgraded or downgraded by one rating subcategory, as the case may be.

MOODY'S RATING

With respect to any Collateral Obligation, as of any date of determination, the rating determined in accordance with the following methodology:

- (a) if such Collateral Obligation has an Assigned Moody's Rating, such Assigned Moody's Rating;
- (b) other than with respect to a DIP Collateral Obligation, if such Collateral Obligation is a Senior Secured Loan and if not determined pursuant to <u>clause</u> (a) above, if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has a CFR, then the Moody's rating that is one subcategory higher than such CFR;
- (c) other than with respect to a DIP Collateral Obligation, if not determined pursuant to <u>clause (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> above, if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has one or more senior unsecured obligations with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then the Assigned Moody's Rating on any such senior unsecured obligation (or, if such Collateral Obligation is a Senior Secured Loan, the Moody's rating that is two subcategories higher than the Assigned Moody's Rating on any such senior unsecured obligation) as selected by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion;
- (d) other than with respect to a DIP Collateral Obligation, if such Collateral Obligation is not a Senior Secured Loan and if not determined pursuant to <u>clause (a)</u> or <u>(c)</u> above, if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has a CFR, then the Moody's rating that is one subcategory lower than such CFR;
- (e) other than with respect to a DIP Collateral Obligation, if such Collateral Obligation is not a Senior Secured Loan and if not determined pursuant to <u>clause (a)</u>, <u>(c)</u> or <u>(d)</u> above, if the obligor of such Collateral Obligation has one or more subordinated obligations with an Assigned Moody's Rating, then the Moody's rating that is one subcategory higher than the Assigned Moody's Rating on any such obligation as selected by the Portfolio Manager in its sole discretion;
- (f) if not determined pursuant to <u>clauses (a)</u> through <u>(e)</u> above, at the election of the Portfolio Manager, the Moody's Derived Rating; and

(g) if not determined pursuant to clauses (a) through (f) above, "Caa3".

For purposes of the definitions of "Moody's Default Probability Rating," "Moody's Derived Rating" and "Moody's Rating," any credit estimate assigned by Moody's shall expire one year from the date such estimate was issued; provided that, for purposes of any calculation under this Indenture, if Moody's fails to renew for any reason a credit estimate for a previously acquired Collateral Obligation thereunder on or before such one-year anniversary (which may be extended at Moody's option to the extent the annual audited financial statements for the related obligor have not yet been received), after the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on the Issuer's behalf has submitted to Moody's all information that Moody's required to be provided for such renewal, (1) for a period of 90 days, the previous credit estimate assigned by Moody's shall be downgraded by one notch and (2) thereafter, the Collateral Obligation shall be deemed to have a Moody's rating of "Caa3"; provided that, if there is a Material Change with respect to any Collateral Obligation for which the Moody's Rating is based on a rating estimate from Moody's, the Issuer, or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, shall, upon notice or knowledge thereof, use commercially reasonable efforts to notify Moody's and provide available information with respect thereto (provided that, for the avoidance of doubt, such notification shall not, unless so requested by the Issuer, be considered a request for a new or refreshed rating estimate by the Issuer or be considered in determining whether or not the Issuer has complied with the annual rating estimate requirements set forth in this Indenture) and, in the event Moody's provides an unsolicited update of the rating estimate of such Collateral Obligation following receipt of such information, such rating estimate shall be used by the Issuer until such later date that it is updated by Moody's.

For purposes of the preceding paragraph, "Material Change" means, with respect to any Collateral Obligation, the occurrence of any of the following events: (a) non-payment of interest or principal when due and payable, taking into account any grace periods applicable thereto, (b) the rescheduling of any interest or principal, (c) any material covenant breach, (d) any restructuring of debt (including proposed new issuance of debt) with respect to the obligor of such Collateral Obligation, (e) the addition of payment-in-kind-terms, changes in maturity date or any changes in coupon rates (excluding increases as a result of a default or penalty interest clauses, fluctuations or changes in the then-current Benchmark or any other floating rate index or pre-agreed pricing changes based on financial performance) and (f) the occurrence of the significant sale or acquisition of assets by the related obligor.

MOODY'S DERIVED RATING

With respect to a Collateral Obligation whose Moody's Rating cannot be determined pursuant to clause (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of the definition thereof or whose Moody's Default Probability Rating cannot be determined pursuant to clause (a), (b), (c) or (d) of the definition thereof, the Moody's Derived Rating for purposes of clause (f) of the definition of Moody's Rating or clause (d) of the definition of Moody's Default Probability Rating will be determined as set forth below:

- (i) With respect to any DIP Collateral Obligation, one subcategory below the facility rating (whether public or private) of such DIP Collateral Obligation rated by Moody's.
- (ii) If not determined pursuant to <u>clause</u> (i) above,

(A) and if such Collateral Obligation has a public and monitored rating by S&P, pursuant to the table below:

Type of Collateral Obligation	S&P Rating (Public and Monitored)	Collateral Obligation Rated by S&P	Number of Subcategories Relative to Moody's Equivalent of S&P Rating
Not Structured Finance Obligation	≥ "BBB-"	Not a Loan or Participation	-1
C		Interest in Loan	
Not Structured Finance Obligation	<u><</u> " BB+"	Not a Loan or Participation	-2
		Interest in Loan	
Not Structured Finance Obligation		Loan or Participation	-2
		Interest in Loan	

(B) if such Collateral Obligation is not rated by S&P but another security or obligation of the obligor has a public and monitored rating by S&P (a "parallel security"), then the rating of such parallel security will, at the election of the Portfolio Manager, be determined in accordance with the table set forth in subclause (ii)(A) above, and the Moody's Derived Rating for the purposes of the definition of Moody's Rating and Moody's Default Probability Rating (as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation shall be determined in accordance with the methodology set forth in the following table (for such purposes treating the parallel security as if it were rated by Moody's at the rating determined pursuant to this subclause (ii)(B));

Obligation Category of Rated Obligation	Rating of Rated Obligation	Number of Subcategories Relative to Rated Obligation Rating		
Senior secured obligation	greater than or equal to B2	-1		
Senior secured obligation	less than B2	-2		
Subordinated obligation	greater than or equal to B3	+1		
Subordinated obligation	less than B3	0		

or

- (C) if such Collateral Obligation is a DIP Collateral Obligation, no Moody's Derived Rating may be determined based on a rating by S&P or any other rating agency;
- (iii) if not determined pursuant to <u>clause (i)</u> or <u>(ii)</u> above and such Collateral Obligation is not rated by Moody's and no other security or obligation of the issuer of such Collateral Obligation is rated by Moody's, and if the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager or the issuer of such Collateral Obligation requests that Moody's assign a rating or rating estimate with respect to such Collateral Obligation but such rating or rating estimate has not been received, pending receipt of such rating and rating estimate, the Moody's Derived Rating for purposes of the definition of Moody's Rating and Moody's Default Probability Rating (as applicable) of such Collateral Obligation shall be (x) "B3" if the Portfolio Manager certifies to the Trustee and the Collateral Administrator that the Portfolio Manager believes that such estimate shall be at least "B3"; provided that the Aggregate Principal Balance of Collateral Obligations with a Moody's Derived

determined purs	use (x) shall n	ot exceed 5% c	of the Collateral	Principal

SCHEDULE 6

RECOVERY RATE TABLES

Section 1. S&P Recovery Rate

(a) (i) If a Collateral Obligation has an S&P Recovery Rating, the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be determined as follows:

S&P	Initial Liability Rating									
Recovery Rating of a Collateral Obligation	Recovery Point Estimate *	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	"B" and below			
1+	100	75%	85%	88%	90%	92%	95%			
1	95	70%	80%	84%	87.5%	91%	95%			
1	90	65%	75%	80%	85%	90%	95%			
2	85	62.5%	72.5%	77.5%	83%	88%	92%			
2	80	60%	70%	75%	81%	86%	89%			
2	75	55%	65%	70.5%	77%	82.5%	84%			
2	70	50%	60%	66%	73%	79%	79%			
3	65	45%	55%	61%	68%	73%	74%			
3	60	40%	50%	56%	63%	67%	69%			
3	55	35%	45%	51%	58%	63%	64%			
3	50	30%	40%	46%	53%	59%	59%			
4	45	28.5%	37.5%	44%	49.5%	53.5%	54%			
4	40	27%	35%	42%	46%	48%	49%			
4	35	23.5%	30.5%	37.5%	42.5%	43.5%	44%			
4	30	20%	26%	33%	39%	39%	39%			
5	25	17.5%	23%	28.5%	32.5%	33.5%	34%			
5	20	15%	20%	24%	26%	28%	29%			
5	15	10%	15%	19.5%	22.5%	23.5%	24%			
5	10	5%	10%	15%	19%	19%	19%			
6	5	3.5%	7%	10.5%	13.5%	14%	14%			
6	0	2%	4%	6%	8%	9%	9%			
				Recov	ery rate					

^{*} From S&P's published reports. If a recovery point estimate is not available for a given loan with a recovery rating of '1' through '6'; the lowest recovery point estimate for the applicable recovery rating should be assumed.

⁽ii) If (x) a Collateral Obligation does not have an S&P Recovery Rating and such Collateral Obligation is a senior unsecured loan, second lien loan, senior secured bond or an unsecured bond and (y) the issuer of such Collateral Obligation has issued another debt instrument that is outstanding and senior to such Collateral Obligation (a "Senior Secured Notes Instrument") that has an S&P Recovery Rating, the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be determined as follows:

Recovery Rates for Obligors Domiciled in Group A

S&P Recovery Rating	Initial Liability Rating						
of the Senior Secured Debt Instrument	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	"B" and below	
1+	18%	20%	23%	26%	29%	31%	
1	18%	20%	23%	26%	29%	31%	
2	18%	20%	23%	26%	29%	31%	
3	12%	15%	18%	21%	22%	23%	
4	5%	8%	11%	13%	14%	15%	
5	2%	4%	6%	8%	9%	10%	
6	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
		Recovery rate					

Recovery Rates for Obligors Domiciled in Group B

S&P Recovery Rating	Initial Liability Rating						
of the Senior Secured Debt Instrument	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	"B" and below	
1+	13%	16%	18%	21%	23%	25%	
1	13%	16%	18%	21%	23%	25%	
2	13%	16%	18%	21%	23%	25%	
3	8%	11%	13%	15%	16%	17%	
4	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	
5	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	
6	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
		Recovery rate					

Recovery Rates for Obligors Domiciled in Group C

S&P Recovery Rating	Initial Liability Rating						
of the Senior Secured Debt Instrument	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	"B" and below	
1+	10%	12%	14%	16%	18%	20%	
1	10%	12%	14%	16%	18%	20%	
2	10%	12%	14%	16%	18%	20%	
3	5%	7%	9%	10%	11%	12%	
4	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	
5	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
6	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	
		Recovery rate					

(iii) If (x) a Collateral Obligation does not have an S&P Recovery Rating and such Collateral Obligation is a subordinated loan or a subordinated bond and (y) the issuer of such

Collateral Obligation has issued another debt instrument that is outstanding and senior to such Collateral Obligation that is a Senior Secured Notes Instrument that has an S&P Recovery Rating, the S&P Recovery Rate for such Collateral Obligation shall be determined as follows:

Recovery Rates for Obligors Domiciled in Groups A and B

S&P Recovery Rating of the Senior Secured Debt Instrument	All Initial Liability Ratings
1+	8%
1	8%
2	8%
3	5%
4	2%
5	0%
6	0%
	Recovery rate

Recovery rates for Obligors Domiciled in Group C

S&P Recovery Rating of the Senior Secured Notes Instrument	All Initial Liability Ratings
1+	5%
1	5%
2	5%
3	2%
4	0%
5	0%
6	0%
	Recovery rate

(b) If a recovery rate cannot be determined using <u>clause (a)</u>, the recovery rate shall be determined using the following table.

Recovery Rates for Obligors Domiciled in Group A, B or C

	Initial Liability Rating					
Priority Category	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	"B" and "CCC"
Senior Secured Loans that are not Cov-Lite Loans* ***						
Group A	50%	55%	59%	63%	75%	79%
Group B	39%	42%	46%	49%	60%	63%
Group C	17%	19%	27%	29%	31%	34%
Senior Secured Loans that are Cov-Lite Loans and Bonds****						
Group A	41%	46%	49%	53%	63%	67%
Group B	32%	35%	39%	41%	50%	53%

	Initial Liability Rating					
Priority Category	"AAA"	"AA"	"A"	"BBB"	"BB"	"B" and "CCC"
Group C	17%	19%	27%	29%	31%	34%
Unsecured I	Unsecured Loans, Second Lien Loans, Unsecured Bonds and First-Lien Last-Out Loans**					
Group A	18%	20%	23%	26%	29%	31%
Group B	13%	16%	18%	21%	23%	25%
Group C	10%	12%	14%	16%	18%	20%
	Subordinated loans and Subordinated bonds					
Group A	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%
Group B	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%
Group C	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%	5%
Recovery rate						

Group A: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Portugal, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, U.K., U.S.

Group B: Brazil, Mexico, Poland, South Africa

Group C: Dubai International Finance Centre, India, Indonesia, Greece, Kazakhstan, Russia, Turkey, Ukraine,

United Arab Emirates, Vietnam, others

- Solely for the purpose of determining the S&P Recovery Rate for such loan or bond, no loan or bond will constitute a "Senior Secured Loan" or "Bond" (as defined in the Indenture), as the case may be, unless such loan or bond, as applicable, (a) is secured by a valid first priority security interest in collateral, (b) in the Portfolio Manager's commercially reasonable judgment (with such determination being made in good faith by the Portfolio Manager at the time of such instrument's purchase and based upon information reasonably available to the Portfolio Manager at such time and without any requirement of additional investigation beyond the Portfolio Manager's customary credit review procedures), is secured by specified collateral that has a value not less than an amount equal to the sum of (i) the aggregate principal amount of all instruments senior or pari passu to such instrument and (ii) the outstanding principal balance of such instrument, which value may be derived from, among other things, the enterprise value of the issuer of such instrument, excluding any instrument secured primarily by equity or goodwill and (c) is not secured primarily by common stock or other equity interests (provided that, the terms of this footnote may be amended or revised at any time by a written agreement of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager with notice to the Collateral Administrator and the Trustee (without the consent of any Holder), subject to the S&P Rating Condition, in order to conform to S&P then-current criteria for such instruments); provided that, the limitations on equity or common stock set forth above will not apply with respect to a loan or bond of a parent entity that is secured solely or primarily by the stock of one or more of the subsidiaries of such parent entity to the extent that the granting by any such subsidiary of a lien on its own property would violate law or regulations applicable to such subsidiary (whether the obligation secured is such instrument or any other similar type of indebtedness owing to third parties).
- ** First-Lien Last-Out Loans and Second Lien Loans with, in the aggregate, an Aggregate Principal Balance in excess of 15% of the Collateral Principal Amount shall use the "Subordinated loans" Priority Category for the purpose of determining their S&P Recovery Rate.
- *** Notwithstanding the foregoing, a Senior Secured Loan or Bond (as defined in the Indenture) secured solely or primarily by common stock or other equity interests shall have either (1) the S&P Recovery Rate specified for senior unsecured loans or senior unsecured bonds, as the case may be, in the table above, or (2) the S&P Recovery Rate determined by S&P on a case by case basis, if such obligation does not have an S&P Asset Specific Recovery Rating; *provided*, that the terms of this footnote may be amended or revised at any time by a written agreement of the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager (with notice to the Trustee and without the consent of any Holder of any Note), subject to the satisfaction of the S&P Rating Condition, in order to conform to S&P then current criteria for such loans or bonds, as the case may be.

FORM OF SECURED NOTE

SECURED NOTE representing

CLASS [A-1][A-J][B-1][B-F][C-1][C-F][D-1][D-J]][E-1][E-F][SENIOR]¹ SECURED [DEFERRABLE]² [FLOATING][FIXED] RATE NOTES DUE 2036

Certificate No. [●]	
Type of Note (check applicable):	
Rule 144A Global Secured Note with an initial principal amount of \$	
Regulation S Global Secured Note with an initial principal amount of \$	
Certificated Secured Note with a principal amount of \$	

THIS NOTE IS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN. THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED ONLY TO A PERSON THAT IS: (A)(1)(i) A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER," AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2(a)(51) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED, AND THE RULES THEREUNDER, (A "OUALIFIED PURCHASER"), OR (ii) A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR OTHER ENTITY (OTHER THAN A TRUST, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE AGREED TO BY THE ISSUER) EACH SHAREHOLDER, PARTNER, MEMBER OR OTHER EQUITY OWNER OF WHICH IS A OUALIFIED PURCHASER AND (2) A "OUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER," AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A ("RULE 144A") UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (A "QIB"), ACQUIRING ITS INTEREST IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATION PROVIDED BY RULE 144A, THAT IS NEITHER A DEALER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(ii) OF RULE 144A WHICH OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S.\$25 MILLION IN SECURITIES OF ISSUERS THAT ARE NOT AFFILIATED PERSONS OF THE DEALER, NOR A PLAN REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(D) OR (a)(1)(i)(E) OF RULE 144A OR A TRUST FUND REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(F) OF RULE 144A THAT HOLDS THE ASSETS OF SUCH A PLAN, IF INVESTMENT DECISIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PLAN ARE MADE BY THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE PLAN, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO INVESTMENT DECISIONS MADE SOLELY BY THE FIDUCIARY, TRUSTEE OR SPONSOR OF SUCH PLAN; (B) NOT A "U.S. PERSON" (A "U.S. PERSON") ACQUIRING ITS INTEREST IN AN "OFFSHORE TRANSACTION," AS SUCH TERMS ARE DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("REGULATION S") IN A

Insert in Class A-1 Notes, Class A-J Notes, Class B-1 Notes and Class B-F Notes.

² Insert in Class C-1 Notes, Class C-F Notes, Class D-1 Notes, Class D-J Notes, Class E-1 Notes and Class E-F Notes.

TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO REGULATION S, AND IN EACH CASE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY APPLICABLE JURISDICTION.

THE ISSUER HAS THE RIGHT, UNDER THE INDENTURE, TO COMPEL ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OF AN INTEREST IN A NOTE THAT IS A PERSON (OTHER THAN A PERSON THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON WHO ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO REGULATION S OR THAT IS NOT BOTH (A) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR OTHER ENTITY (OTHER THAN A TRUST, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE AGREED TO BY THE ISSUER) EACH SHAREHOLDER, PARTNER, MEMBER OR OTHER EQUITY OWNER OF WHICH IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER AND (B) A QIB TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THE NOTE, OR MAY SELL SUCH INTEREST ON BEHALF OF SUCH OWNER.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO THE CLASS A-1 NOTES, THE CLASS A-F NOTES, THE CLASS B-1 NOTES, THE CLASS B-F NOTES, THE CLASS C-1 NOTES, THE CLASS C-F NOTES, THE CLASS D-1 NOTES AND THE CLASS D-J NOTES:

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE WILL BE DEEMED, TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT THAT (i) EITHER (A) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT ACTING ON BEHALF OF (AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS SUCH NOTE OR INTEREST THEREIN WILL NOT BE, AND WILL NOT BE ACTING ON BEHALF OF). A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR A GOVERNMENTAL. CHURCH. NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY OTHER PLAN LAW, AND NO PART OF THE ASSETS TO BE USED BY IT TO ACQUIRE OR HOLD SUCH NOTE OR ANY INTEREST THEREIN CONSTITUTES THE ASSETS OF ANY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR SUCH GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN; OR (B) IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA") OR SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE"), OR IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN WHICH IS SUBJECT TO ANY OTHER PLAN LAW, ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY SUCH OTHER PLAN LAW, AND (ii) IT WILL NOT SELL OR TRANSFER THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) TO AN ACQUIROR ACQUIRING THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) UNLESS THE ACQUIROR MAKES THE FOREGOING REPRESENTATIONS, WARRANTIES AND AGREEMENTS DESCRIBED IN (I) HEREOF. "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" MEANS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA, AND INCLUDES (A) AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF ERISA) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA, (B) A "PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE CODE) THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (C) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY. "OTHER PLAN LAW" MEANS ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW OR REGULATION THAT

SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROHIBITED TRANSACTION PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE.

THE ISSUER HAS THE RIGHT, UNDER THE INDENTURE, TO COMPEL ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THIS NOTE WHO HAS MADE OR HAS BEEN DEEMED TO MAKE A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION, BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, CONTROLLING PERSON, SIMILAR LAW OR OTHER PLAN LAW REPRESENTATION THAT IS SUBSEQUENTLY SHOWN TO BE FALSE OR MISLEADING TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE, OR MAY SELL SUCH INTEREST ON BEHALF OF SUCH OWNER.

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE THAT, IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (I) NONE OF THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE RETENTION HOLDER, THE TRUSTEE, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE ADMINISTRATOR, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR ANY FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES OR OTHER PERSONS THAT PROVIDE MARKETING SERVICES, OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, HAS PROVIDED ANY INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATION OR INVESTMENT ADVICE ON WHICH IT, OR ANY FIDUCIARY OR OTHER PERSON INVESTING THE ASSETS OF THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR ("PLAN FIDUCIARY"), HAS RELIED AS A PRIMARY BASIS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS DECISION TO INVEST IN THIS NOTE, AND THEY ARE NOT OTHERWISE UNDERTAKING TO ACT AS A FIDUCIARY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(21) OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975(e)(3) OF THE CODE, TO THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR THE PLAN FIDUCIARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR'S ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE. AND (II) THE PLAN FIDUCIARY IS EXERCISING ITS OWN INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT IN THIS NOTE.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO THE CLASS E-1 NOTES AND THE CLASS E-F NOTES:

(A) EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) FROM THE ISSUER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER ON THE CLOSING DATE WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT IN WRITING TO THE TRUSTEE (1) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (2) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A CONTROLLING PERSON AND (3) THAT (a) IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA") OR SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") AND (b) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, (i) IT IS NOT, AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN IT WILL NOT BE, SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW OR REGULATION THAT COULD CAUSE THE UNDERLYING ASSETS OF THE ISSUER TO BE TREATED AS ASSETS OF THE INVESTOR IN ANY NOTE (OR INTEREST THEREIN) BY VIRTUE OF ITS INTEREST AND THEREBY SUBJECT THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER (OR OTHER PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INVESTMENT AND OPERATION OF

THE ISSUER'S ASSETS) TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAWS OR REGULATIONS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROHIBITED TRANSACTION PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE ("SIMILAR LAW"), AND (ii) ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAWS OR REGULATIONS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROHIBITED TRANSACTION PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE ("OTHER PLAN LAW") AND (B) EACH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) FROM PERSONS OTHER THAN FROM THE ISSUER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER ON THE CLOSING DATE, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE, WILL BE [DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED, WARRANTED AND AGREED THAT (1) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT ACTING ON BEHALF OF (AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS SUCH NOTES OR INTERESTS THEREIN WILL NOT BE, AND WILL NOT BE ACTING ON BEHALF OF), A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR A CONTROLLING PERSON AND (2) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, (a) IT IS NOT, AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR INTEREST HEREIN WILL NOT BE, SUBJECT TO SIMILAR LAW AND (b) ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY OTHER PLAN LAW]3 [REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT IN WRITING TO THE TRUSTEE (1) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (2) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A CONTROLLING PERSON AND (3) THAT (a) IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (b) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, (i) IT IS NOT, AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN IT WILL NOT BE, SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW OR REGULATION THAT COULD CAUSE THE UNDERLYING ASSETS OF THE ISSUER TO BE TREATED AS ASSETS OF THE INVESTOR IN ANY NOTE (OR INTEREST THEREIN) BY VIRTUE OF ITS INTEREST AND THEREBY SUBJECT THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER (OR OTHER PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INVESTMENT AND OPERATION OF THE ISSUER'S ASSETS) TO OTHER PLAN LAW, AND (ii) ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY OTHER PLAN LAW, AND (ii) EACH PURCHASER AND SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) WILL BE REQUIRED OR DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE TO CERTAIN TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS REGARDING ITS INTEREST IN THIS NOTE. 14. "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" MEANS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA, AND INCLUDES (A) AN

To be inserted into the Global Notes.

⁴ To be inserted into Class E-1 Notes and Class E-F Notes issued as Certificated Notes.

"EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF ERISA) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA, (B) A "PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE CODE) THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (C) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY. "CONTROLLING PERSON" MEANS A PERSON (OTHER THAN A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR) WHO HAS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OR CONTROL WITH RESPECT TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER OR ANY PERSON WHO PROVIDES INVESTMENT ADVICE FOR A FEE (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ASSETS, OR ANY AFFILIATE OF ANY SUCH PERSON. AN "AFFILIATE" OF A PERSON INCLUDES ANY PERSON, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY THROUGH ONE OR MORE INTERMEDIARIES, CONTROLLING, CONTROLLED BY OR UNDER COMMON CONTROL WITH THE PERSON. "CONTROL" WITH RESPECT TO A PERSON OTHER THAN AN INDIVIDUAL MEANS THE POWER TO EXERCISE A CONTROLLING INFLUENCE OVER THE MANAGEMENT OR POLICIES OF SUCH PERSON

THE ISSUER HAS THE RIGHT, UNDER THE INDENTURE, TO COMPEL ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THIS NOTE WHO HAS MADE OR HAS BEEN DEEMED TO MAKE A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION, BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, CONTROLLING PERSON, SIMILAR LAW OR OTHER PLAN LAW REPRESENTATION THAT IS SUBSEQUENTLY SHOWN TO BE FALSE OR MISLEADING OR WHOSE OWNERSHIP OTHERWISE CAUSES A VIOLATION OF THE 25% LIMITATION TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE, OR MAY SELL SUCH INTEREST ON BEHALF OF SUCH OWNER.

NO TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE PERMITTED, AND THE TRUSTEE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY SUCH TRANSFER, IF IT WOULD CAUSE 25% OR MORE OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE CLASS E-1 NOTES AND THE CLASS E-F NOTES TO BE HELD BY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS, DISREGARDING THE CLASS E-1 NOTES AND THE CLASS E-F NOTES (OR INTERESTS THEREIN) HELD BY CONTROLLING PERSONS ("25% LIMITATION").

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE THAT, IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (I) NONE OF THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE RETENTION HOLDER, THE TRUSTEE, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE ADMINISTRATOR, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR ANY FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES OR OTHER PERSONS THAT PROVIDE MARKETING SERVICES, OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, HAS PROVIDED ANY INVESTMENT RECOMMENDATION INVESTMENT ADVICE ON WHICH IT, OR ANY FIDUCIARY OR OTHER PERSON INVESTING THE ASSETS OF THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR ("PLAN FIDUCIARY"), HAS RELIED AS A PRIMARY BASIS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS DECISION TO INVEST IN THIS NOTE, AND THEY ARE NOT OTHERWISE UNDERTAKING TO ACT AS A FIDUCIARY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(21) OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975(e)(3) OF THE CODE, TO THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR THE PLAN FIDUCIARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR'S ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE, AND (II) THE PLAN FIDUCIARY IS EXERCISING ITS OWN INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT IN THIS NOTE.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO GLOBAL NOTES:

ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE OF THIS NOTE FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL SINCE THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN, UNLESS THIS NOTE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC"), NEW YORK, NEW YORK, TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT AND ANY NOTE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR OF SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT HEREON IS MADE TO CEDE & CO.).

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, TRANSFERS OF REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS IN WHOLE, BUT NOT IN PART, TO NOMINEES OF DTC OR TO A SUCCESSOR THEREOF OR SUCH SUCCESSOR'S NOMINEE.

TRANSFERS OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN.

PRINCIPAL OF THIS NOTE IS PAYABLE AS SET FORTH HEREIN. ACCORDINGLY, THE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL OF THIS NOTE AT ANY TIME MAY BE LESS THAN THE AMOUNT SHOWN ON THE FACE HEREOF. ANY PERSON ACQUIRING THIS NOTE MAY ASCERTAIN ITS CURRENT PRINCIPAL AMOUNT BY INQUIRY OF THE TRUSTEE.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO CERTIFICATED NOTES:

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, TRANSFERS OF REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO THE CLASS C-1 NOTES, THE CLASS C-F NOTES, THE CLASS D-1 NOTES, THE CLASS D-J NOTES, THE CLASS E-1 NOTES AND THE CLASS E-F NOTES:

THIS NOTE HAS BEEN ISSUED WITH ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT (WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 1272 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED). UPON WRITTEN REQUEST TO THE ISSUER AT APPLEBY GLOBAL CORPORATE SERVICES (BERMUDA) LTD., CANON'S COURT, 22 VICTORIA STREET, HAMILTON, HM12, BERMUDA, THE ISSUER WILL PROMPTLY MAKE AVAILABLE TO ANY HOLDER OF THIS NOTE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION: (1) THE ISSUE PRICE AND DATE OF THE NOTE, (2) THE AMOUNT OF ORIGINAL ISSUE DISCOUNT ON THE NOTE AND (3) THE YIELD TO MATURITY OF THE NOTE.

NOTE DETAILS

This Note is one of a duly authorized issue of Notes issued under the Indenture (as defined below) having the applicable class designation and other details specifically indicated below (the "Note Details"). Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture. Reference is hereby made to the Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Co-Issuers, the Notes, the Trustee and the Holders and the terms upon which the Notes are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered. In the event of any inconsistency between this Note (including the Note Details) and the terms of the Indenture, the terms of the Indenture shall govern.

Issuer: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Co-Issuer: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC

Note issued by Co-Issuer: Yes No Note issued only by Issuer: Yes No

Trustee: U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association

Indenture: Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, among the Issuer, the

Co-Issuer and the Trustee, as amended, modified or supplemented

from time to time.

Registered Holder: CEDE & CO (insert name)

Stated Maturity: The Payment Date in April 2036

Payment Dates: The 20th day of January, April, July and October of each year (or,

if such day is not a Business Day, then the next succeeding Business Day) commencing in July 2024 and each Redemption Date (other than a Partial Redemption Date that does not otherwise fall on a Payment Date and a Non-Payment Date Refinancing Date), except that the final Payment Date (subject to any earlier redemption or payment of the Notes) will be the Stated Maturity (or if such day is not a Business Day, the next succeeding Business

Day).

Interest Deferrable (check Yes No

"yes" only where designated as "Deferrable" on the first

page of this Note):

Floating Rate (check "yes" Yes No

only where designated as "Floating" on the first page of

this Note):

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Class designation and interest Class A-1 Benchmark + 1.80% rate (check applicable): Class A-J Benchmark + 2.00%

Class B-1 Benchmark + 2.40%

Class B-F 6.220%

Class C-1 Benchmark + 2.95%

Class C-F 6.766%

	Class D-1	Benchmark + 4.54%
	Class D-J Class E-1 Class E-F	9.375% Benchmark + 7.93% 11.745%
Principal amount (if Global Note, check applicable "up to" principal amount):	Class A-1 Class A-J Class B-1 Class B-F Class C-1 Class C-F Class D-1 Class D-J Class E-1 Class E-F	\$195,000,000 \$13,000,000 \$24,736,843 \$14,263,157 \$14,236,842 \$5,263,158 \$16,250,000 \$4,875,000 \$7,644,736 \$2,105,264

Minimum denominations: \$100,000 and integral multiples of \$1.00 in excess thereof

Note identifying numbers: As indicated in the applicable table below for the type of Note and applicable Class indicated on the first page above.

Rule 144A Global Secured Notes

Designation	CUSIP	ISIN
Class A-1 Notes	03753AAA8	US03753AAA88
Class A-J Notes	03753AAC4	US03753AAC45
Class B-1 Notes	03753AAE0	US03753AAE01
Class B-F Notes	03753AAG5	US03753AAG58
Class C-1 Notes	03753AAJ9	US03753AAJ97
Class C-F Notes	03753AAL4	US03753AAL44
Class D-1 Notes	03753AAN0	US03753AAN00
Class D-J Notes	03753AAQ3	US03753AAQ31
Class E-1 Notes	03753CAA4	US03753CAA45
Class E-F Notes	03753CAC0	US03753CAC01

Regulation S Global Secured Notes

Designation	CUSIP	ISIN
Class A-1 Notes	G0473AAA6	USG0473AAA63
Class A-J Notes	G0473AAB4	USG0473AAB47
Class B-1 Notes	G0473AAC2	USG0473AAC20
Class B-F Notes	G0473AAD0	USG0473AAD03
Class C-1 Notes	G0473AAE8	USG0473AAE85
Class C-F Notes	G0473AAF5	USG0473AAF50
Class D-1 Notes	G0473AAG3	USG0473AAG34
Class D-J Notes	G0473AAH1	USG0473AAH17

Class E-1 Notes	G0472JAA8	USG0472JAA81
Class E-F Notes	G0472JAB6	USG0472JAB64

Certificated Secured Notes

Designation	CUSIP	ISIN
Class A-1 Notes	03753AAB6	US03753AAB61
Class A-J Notes	03753AAD2	US03753AAD28
Class B-1 Notes	03753AAF7	US03753AAF75
Class B-F Notes	03753AAH3	US03753AAH32
Class C-1 Notes	03753AAK6	US03753AAK60
Class C-F Notes	03753AAM2	US03753AAM27
Class D-1 Notes	03753AAP5	US03753AAP57
Class D-J Notes	03753AAR1	US03753AAR14
Class E-1 Notes	03753CAB2	US03753CAB28
Class E-F Notes	03753CAD8	US03753CAD83

The Issuer (and, if applicable, the Co-Issuer), for value received, hereby promise to pay to the registered Holder of this Note or its registered assigns or nominees, upon presentation and surrender of this Note (except as otherwise permitted by the Indenture), the principal sum identified as the principal amount of this Note set forth in the Note Details (or, if this note is identified as a Global Note in the Note Details, such lesser principal amount shown on the books and records of the Trustee) on the Stated Maturity set forth in the Note Details, except as provided below and in the Indenture. The obligations of the Co-Issuers under this Note and the Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Co-Issuers payable solely from the Assets in accordance with the Indenture, and following realization of the Assets in accordance with the Indenture, all claims of Noteholders shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive.

The Issuer (and, if applicable, the Co-Issuer) promises to pay, in accordance with the Priority of Payments, interest on the Aggregate Outstanding Amount of this Note on each Payment Date and each other date that interest is required to be paid on this Note upon earlier redemption or payment at a rate per annum equal to the interest rate for this Note in the Note Details set forth above in arrears.

If the Note Details indicate that this Note is floating rate, interest shall be computed on the basis of the actual number of days elapsed in the applicable Interest Accrual Period divided by 360. If the Note Details indicate that this Note is fixed rate, interest shall be computed on the basis of a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months. To the extent lawful and enforceable, interest that is not paid when due and payable shall accrue interest at the applicable interest rate until paid as provided in the Indenture. The interest so payable on any Payment Date will, as provided in the Indenture, be paid to the Person in whose name this Note (or one or more predecessor Notes) is registered at the close of business on the Record Date for such interest, which shall be the last Business Day of the calendar month prior to such Payment Date.

Interest will cease to accrue on this Note or, in the case of a partial repayment, on such repaid part, from the date of repayment or Stated Maturity unless payment of principal is improperly withheld or unless a default is otherwise made with respect to such payments. The principal of this Note shall be payable on the first Payment Date on which funds are permitted to be used for such purpose in accordance with the Priority of Payments. The principal of each Note shall be payable no later than the Stated Maturity unless the unpaid principal of such Note becomes due and payable at an earlier date by declaration of acceleration, call for redemption or otherwise.

If the Note Details indicate that interest on this Note is deferrable, any interest on this that is not paid when due by operation of the Priority of Payments will be deferred. Any interest so deferred will be added to the principal balance of the Class to which this Note belongs, and thereafter, interest will accrue on the aggregate outstanding principal amount of such Class of Notes, as so increased.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, this Note shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

This Note is duly authorized and issued under the Indenture. Reference is hereby made to the Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and the terms upon which the Notes are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

If this is a Global Secured Note as identified in the Note Details, except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, transfers of this Note shall be limited to transfers of such Global Secured Note in whole, but not in part, to a nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or such successor's nominee. Interests in this Global Secured Note will be transferable in accordance with DTC's rules and procedures in use at such time, and to transferees acquiring Certificated Secured Notes of the same Class or to a transferee taking an interest in a Global Secured Note of the same Class or to a transferee taking an interest in a Global Secured Note of the opposing designation ((i) Rule 144A, in the case of a Regulation S Global Secured Note or (ii) Regulation S, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Secured Note) of the same Class, subject to and in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. Interests in this Global Secured Note may be exchanged for an interest in, or transferred to a transferee taking an interest in, a Global Secured Note of the opposing designation ((i) Rule 144A, in the case of a Regulation S Global Secured Note or (ii) Regulation S, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Secured Note) of the same Class subject to the restrictions as set forth in the Indenture. This Global Secured Note is subject to mandatory exchange for Certificated Notes of the same Class under the limited circumstances set forth in the Indenture. Upon redemption, exchange of or increase in any principal amount represented by this Global Secured Note, this Global Secured Note shall be endorsed on Schedule A hereto to reflect the reduction of or increase in the principal amount evidenced hereby.

If this is a Certificated Secured Note as identified in the Note Details, this Note may be transferred to a transferee acquiring Certificated Secured Notes of the same Class, to a transferee taking an interest in a Rule 144A Global Secured Note of the same Class or to a transferee taking an interest in a Regulation S Global Secured Note of the same Class, subject to and in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture.

This Note is subject to redemption in the manner and subject to the satisfaction of certain conditions set forth in the Indenture. The Redemption Price for this Note is set forth in the Indenture.

The Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name this Note is registered as the owner of such Note on the Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of and interest on such Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever

(whether or not such Note is overdue), and none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or any agent of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, this Note may become or be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture.

This Note shall be issued in the minimum denominations set forth in the Note Details.

Title to Notes shall pass by registration in the Register kept by the Registrar, which initially is the Trustee, acting through its Corporate Trust Office.

No service charge shall be made for registration of transfer or exchange of this Note, but the Trustee or the Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Each Holder and beneficial owner of this Note, by its acceptance of this Note, hereby agrees that it shall not institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under Bermuda, U.S. federal or state bankruptcy laws or any similar laws until at least one year and one day after payment in full of the Notes, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day following such payment in full.

In the event that any term or provision contained in this Note shall conflict with or be inconsistent with any term or provision contained in the Indenture, the terms and provisions of the Indenture shall govern with respect to this Note.

AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, THE INDENTURE AND THIS NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND THE INDENTURE AND THIS NOTE AND ANY MATTERS ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER TO THE INDENTURE OR THIS NOTE (WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE), SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAWS.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF,	, the [Co-Issuers have][Issuer has] caused this Note to
be duly executed.	-
Dated as of,	
	APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD.
	Ву:
	Name: Title:
	[APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LLC
	By:
	Name: Donald J. Puglisi
	Title:]

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Notes referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee
By:Authorized Signatory

SCHEDULE A

SCHEDULE OF EXCHANGES OR REDEMPTIONS

The following exchanges, redemptions of or increase in the whole or a part of the Notes represented by this Global Secured Note have been made:

Date exchange/ redemption/ increase made	Original principal amount	Part of principal amount exchanged/redeemed/ increased	Remaining principal amount following such exchange/redemption/ increase	Notation made by or on behalf of the Issuer
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⁵ Insert in case of Global Notes.

SCHEDULE A

ASSIGNMENT FORM

For value received		
does herel	by sell, assign, and transfer to	
	Please insert social security or	
	other identifying number of assignee	
	Please print or type name and address, including zip code, of assignee:	
	n Note and does hereby irrevocably constitute to transfer the Note on the books of the Trustee	
Date:	Your Signatu	ure
		(Sign exactly as your name appears in the security)] ⁶

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⁶ Insert in case of Certificated Notes.

FORM OF SUBORDINATED NOTE

SUBORDINATED NOTE representing

SUBORDINATED NOTES DUE 2033

THIS NOTE IS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN. THIS NOTE HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE REGISTERED OR OUALIFIED UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933, AS AMENDED (THE "SECURITIES ACT") OR THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY STATE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND MAY BE REOFFERED, RESOLD, PLEDGED OR OTHERWISE TRANSFERRED ONLY TO A PERSON THAT IS: (A)(1)(i) A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER," AS DEFINED IN SECTION 2(a)(51) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, AS AMENDED, AND THE RULES THEREUNDER, (A "QUALIFIED PURCHASER"), OR (ii) A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR OTHER ENTITY (OTHER THAN A TRUST, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE AGREED TO BY THE ISSUER) EACH SHAREHOLDER, PARTNER, MEMBER OR OTHER EQUITY OWNER OF WHICH IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER AND (2) A "QUALIFIED INSTITUTIONAL BUYER," AS DEFINED IN RULE 144A ("RULE 144A") UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT (A "QIB"), ACQUIRING ITS INTEREST IN RELIANCE ON THE EXEMPTION FROM SECURITIES ACT REGISTRATION PROVIDED BY RULE 144A, THAT IS NEITHER A DEALER DESCRIBED IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(ii) OF RULE 144A WHICH OWNS AND INVESTS ON A DISCRETIONARY BASIS LESS THAN U.S.\$25 MILLION IN SECURITIES OF ISSUERS THAT ARE NOT AFFILIATED PERSONS OF THE DEALER, NOR A PLAN REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(D) OR (a)(1)(i)(E) OF RULE 144A OR A TRUST FUND REFERRED TO IN PARAGRAPH (a)(1)(i)(F) OF RULE 144A THAT HOLDS THE ASSETS OF SUCH A PLAN, IF INVESTMENT DECISIONS WITH RESPECT TO THE PLAN ARE MADE BY THE BENEFICIARIES OF THE PLAN, EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO INVESTMENT DECISIONS MADE SOLELY BY THE FIDUCIARY, TRUSTEE OR SPONSOR OF SUCH PLAN; (B) NOT A "U.S. PERSON" (A "U.S. PERSON") ACQUIRING ITS INTEREST IN AN "OFFSHORE TRANSACTION," AS SUCH TERMS ARE DEFINED IN REGULATION S UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT ("REGULATION S") IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO REGULATION S OR (C) SOLELY IN THE CASE OF SUBORDINATED NOTES SOLD ON THE CLOSING DATE WITH THE CONSENT OF THE ISSUER-AND THE INITIAL PURCHASER, AN "ACCREDITED INVESTOR" (AS DEFINED IN RULE 501(a)(1), (2), (3) or (7) UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT, AN "INSTITUTIONAL ACCREDITED INVESTOR") THAT IS ALSO A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR AN ENTITY OWNED (OR BENEFICIALLY OWNED) EXCLUSIVELY BY QUALIFIED PURCHASERS AND/OR KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES (WITHIN THE MEANING SET FORTH IN RULE 3c-5 PROMULGATED UNDER THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT, "KNOWLEDGEABLE EMPLOYEES") WITH RESPECT TO THE ISSUER (ANY SUCH ENTITY, A "PERMITTED IAI"), AND IN EACH CASE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE CERTIFICATION AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH ANY APPLICABLE SECURITIES LAW OF ANY APPLICABLE JURISDICTION.

THE ISSUER HAS THE RIGHT, UNDER THE INDENTURE, TO COMPEL ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OF AN INTEREST IN A NOTE THAT IS A PERSON (OTHER THAN (1) A PERSON THAT IS NOT A U.S. PERSON WHO ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN A TRANSACTION EXEMPT FROM REGISTRATION PURSUANT TO REGULATION S OR (2) A PERMITTED IAI) THAT IS

NOT BOTH (A) A QUALIFIED PURCHASER OR A CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR OTHER ENTITY (OTHER THAN A TRUST, EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE AGREED TO BY THE ISSUER) EACH SHAREHOLDER, PARTNER, MEMBER OR OTHER EQUITY OWNER OF WHICH IS A QUALIFIED PURCHASER AND (B) A QIB TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN THE NOTE, OR MAY SELL SUCH INTEREST ON BEHALF OF SUCH OWNER.

(A) EACH PURCHASER OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) FROM THE ISSUER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER ON THE CLOSING DATE WILL BE REQUIRED TO REPRESENT AND WARRANT IN WRITING TO THE TRUSTEE (1) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (2) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A CONTROLLING PERSON AND (3) THAT (a) IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF THE UNITED STATES EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT INCOME SECURITY ACT OF 1974, AS AMENDED ("ERISA") OR SECTION 4975 OF THE UNITED STATES INTERNAL REVENUE CODE OF 1986, AS AMENDED (THE "CODE") AND (b) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, (i) IT IS NOT, AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN IT WILL NOT BE, SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW OR REGULATION THAT COULD CAUSE THE UNDERLYING ASSETS OF THE ISSUER TO BE TREATED AS ASSETS OF THE INVESTOR IN ANY NOTE (OR INTEREST THEREIN) BY VIRTUE OF ITS INTEREST AND THEREBY SUBJECT THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER (OR OTHER PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INVESTMENT AND OPERATION OF THE ISSUER'S ASSETS) TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAWS OR REGULATIONS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROHIBITED TRANSACTION PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE ("SIMILAR LAW"), AND (ii) ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAWS OR REGULATIONS THAT ARE SUBSTANTIALLY SIMILAR TO THE PROHIBITED TRANSACTION PROVISIONS OF SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE ("OTHER PLAN LAW") AND (B) EACH PURCHASER OR SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) FROM PERSONS OTHER THAN FROM THE ISSUER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER ON THE CLOSING DATE, ON EACH DAY FROM THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER ACQUIRES ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE THROUGH AND INCLUDING THE DATE ON WHICH SUCH BENEFICIAL OWNER DISPOSES OF ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE, WILL BE [DEEMED TO HAVE REPRESENTED, WARRANTED AND AGREED THAT (1) IT IS NOT, AND IS NOT ACTING ON BEHALF OF (AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS SUCH NOTES OR INTERESTS THEREIN WILL NOT BE, AND WILL NOT BE ACTING ON BEHALF OF), A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR A CONTROLLING PERSON AND (2) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, (a) IT IS NOT, AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR INTEREST HEREIN WILL NOT BE, SUBJECT TO SIMILAR LAW AND (b) ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY OTHER PLAN LAW]¹ [REQUIRED TO (I) REPRESENT AND WARRANT IN WRITING TO THE TRUSTEE (1) WHETHER OR NOT, FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (2) WHETHER OR NOT,

¹ To be inserted into the Global Notes.

FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN, IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A CONTROLLING PERSON AND (3) THAT (a) IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A NON-EXEMPT PROHIBITED TRANSACTION UNDER SECTION 406 OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (b) IF IT IS A GOVERNMENTAL, CHURCH, NON-U.S. OR OTHER PLAN, (i) IT IS NOT, AND FOR SO LONG AS IT HOLDS THIS NOTE OR AN INTEREST HEREIN IT WILL NOT BE, SUBJECT TO ANY FEDERAL, STATE, LOCAL OR NON-U.S. LAW OR REGULATION THAT COULD CAUSE THE UNDERLYING ASSETS OF THE ISSUER TO BE TREATED AS ASSETS OF THE INVESTOR IN ANY NOTE (OR INTEREST THEREIN) BY VIRTUE OF ITS INTEREST AND THEREBY SUBJECT THE ISSUER OR THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER (OR OTHER PERSONS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INVESTMENT AND OPERATION OF THE ISSUER'S ASSETS) TO OTHER PLAN LAW, (ii) ITS ACQUISITION, HOLDING AND DISPOSITION OF THIS NOTE (OR INTEREST HEREIN) WILL NOT CONSTITUTE OR RESULT IN A VIOLATION OF ANY OTHER PLAN LAW, AND (II) EACH PURCHASER AND SUBSEQUENT TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE (OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN) WILL BE REQUIRED OR DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE TO CERTAIN TRANSFER RESTRICTIONS REGARDING ITS INTEREST IN THIS NOTE]². "BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR" MEANS A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(42) OF ERISA, AND INCLUDES (A) AN "EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN" (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(3) OF ERISA) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE FIDUCIARY RESPONSIBILITY PROVISIONS OF TITLE I OF ERISA, (B) A "PLAN" AS DEFINED IN SECTION 4975(e)(1) OF THE CODE) THAT IS SUBJECT TO SECTION 4975 OF THE CODE OR (C) ANY ENTITY WHOSE UNDERLYING ASSETS INCLUDE "PLAN ASSETS" BY REASON OF ANY SUCH EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN'S OR PLAN'S INVESTMENT IN THE ENTITY. "CONTROLLING PERSON" MEANS A PERSON (OTHER THAN A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR) WHO HAS DISCRETIONARY AUTHORITY OR CONTROL WITH RESPECT TO THE ASSETS OF THE ISSUER OR ANY PERSON WHO PROVIDES INVESTMENT ADVICE FOR A FEE (DIRECT OR INDIRECT) WITH RESPECT TO SUCH ASSETS, OR ANY AFFILIATE OF ANY SUCH PERSON. AN "AFFILIATE" OF A PERSON INCLUDES ANY PERSON, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY THROUGH ONE OR MORE INTERMEDIARIES, CONTROLLING, CONTROLLED BY OR UNDER COMMON CONTROL WITH THE PERSON. "CONTROL" WITH RESPECT TO A PERSON OTHER THAN AN INDIVIDUAL MEANS THE POWER TO EXERCISE A CONTROLLING INFLUENCE OVER THE MANAGEMENT OR POLICIES OF SUCH PERSON.

THE ISSUER HAS THE RIGHT, UNDER THE INDENTURE, TO COMPEL ANY BENEFICIAL OWNER OF THIS NOTE WHO HAS MADE OR HAS BEEN DEEMED TO MAKE A PROHIBITED TRANSACTION, BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, CONTROLLING PERSON, SIMILAR LAW OR OTHER PLAN LAW REPRESENTATION THAT IS SUBSEQUENTLY SHOWN TO BE FALSE OR MISLEADING OR WHOSE OWNERSHIP OTHERWISE CAUSES A VIOLATION OF THE 25% LIMITATION TO SELL ITS INTEREST IN SUCH NOTE, OR MAY SELL SUCH INTEREST ON BEHALF OF SUCH OWNER.

NO TRANSFER OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST HEREIN WILL BE PERMITTED, AND THE TRUSTEE WILL NOT RECOGNIZE ANY SUCH TRANSFER, IF IT WOULD CAUSE 25% OR MORE OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE SUBORDINATED NOTES TO BE HELD BY BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS, DISREGARDING SUBORDINATED NOTES (OR INTERESTS THEREIN) HELD BY CONTROLLING PERSONS ("25% LIMITATION").

² To be inserted into the Certificated Notes.

EACH PURCHASER OR TRANSFEREE OF THIS NOTE OR ANY INTEREST IN THIS NOTE WILL BE DEEMED TO REPRESENT, WARRANT AND AGREE THAT, IF IT IS, OR IS ACTING ON BEHALF OF, A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR, (I) NONE OF THE ISSUER, THE CO-ISSUER, THE PORTFOLIO MANAGER, THE RETENTION HOLDER, THE TRUSTEE, THE COLLATERAL ADMINISTRATOR, THE ADMINISTRATOR, THE INITIAL PURCHASER OR ANY FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES OR OTHER PERSONS THAT PROVIDE MARKETING SERVICES, OR ANY OF RESPECTIVE AFFILIATES, HAS **PROVIDED** ANY **INVESTMENT** THEIR RECOMMENDATION OR INVESTMENT ADVICE ON WHICH IT, OR ANY FIDUCIARY OR OTHER PERSON INVESTING THE ASSETS OF THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR ("PLAN FIDUCIARY"), HAS RELIED AS A PRIMARY BASIS IN CONNECTION WITH ITS DECISION TO INVEST IN THIS NOTE. AND THEY ARE NOT OTHERWISE UNDERTAKING TO ACT AS A FIDUCIARY, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 3(21) OF ERISA OR SECTION 4975(e)(3) OF THE CODE, TO THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR THE PLAN FIDUCIARY IN CONNECTION WITH THE BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR'S ACQUISITION OF THIS NOTE, AND (II) THE PLAN FIDUCIARY IS EXERCISING ITS OWN INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT IN EVALUATING THE INVESTMENT IN THIS NOTE.

DISTRIBUTIONS OF PRINCIPAL PROCEEDS AND INTEREST PROCEEDS TO THE HOLDER OF THE SUBORDINATED NOTES REPRESENTED HEREBY ARE SUBORDINATED TO THE PAYMENT ON EACH PAYMENT DATE OF PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON THE SECURED NOTES AND THE PAYMENT OF CERTAIN OTHER AMOUNTS, TO THE EXTENT AND AS DESCRIBED IN THE INDENTURE.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO GLOBAL NOTES:

ANY TRANSFER, PLEDGE OR OTHER USE OF THIS NOTE FOR VALUE OR OTHERWISE BY OR TO ANY PERSON IS WRONGFUL SINCE THE REGISTERED OWNER HEREOF, CEDE & CO., HAS AN INTEREST HEREIN, UNLESS THIS NOTE IS PRESENTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DEPOSITORY TRUST COMPANY ("DTC"), NEW YORK, NEW YORK, TO THE CO-ISSUERS OR THEIR AGENT FOR REGISTRATION OF TRANSFER, EXCHANGE OR PAYMENT AND ANY NOTE ISSUED IS REGISTERED IN THE NAME OF CEDE & CO. OR OF SUCH OTHER ENTITY AS IS REQUESTED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF DTC (AND ANY PAYMENT HEREON IS MADE TO CEDE & CO.).

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, TRANSFERS OF REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS IN WHOLE, BUT NOT IN PART, TO NOMINEES OF DTC OR TO A SUCCESSOR THEREOF OR SUCH SUCCESSOR'S NOMINEE.

TRANSFERS OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN.

PRINCIPAL OF THIS NOTE IS PAYABLE AS SET FORTH HEREIN. ACCORDINGLY, THE OUTSTANDING PRINCIPAL OF THIS NOTE AT ANY TIME MAY BE LESS THAN THE AMOUNT SHOWN ON THE FACE HEREOF. ANY PERSON ACQUIRING THIS NOTE MAY ASCERTAIN ITS CURRENT PRINCIPAL AMOUNT BY INQUIRY OF THE TRUSTEE.

THE FOLLOWING LEGEND APPLIES ONLY TO CERTIFICATED NOTES:

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, TRANSFERS OF REGISTERED OWNERSHIP OF THIS NOTE SHALL BE LIMITED TO TRANSFERS MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RESTRICTIONS SET FORTH IN THE INDENTURE REFERRED TO HEREIN.

APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD.

[RULE 144A] [REGULATION S] [CERTIFICATED] [GLOBAL] SUBORDINATED NOTE representing

SUBORDINATED NOTES DUE 2033

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CUSIP No.: [03753CAE6]³[G0472JAC4]⁴[03753CAF3]⁵

ISIN: [US03753CAE66]⁶[USG0472JAC48]⁷[US03753CAF32]⁸

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APEX CREDIT CLO 2024-I LTD., an exempted company with liability limited by shares incorporated under the laws of Bermuda (the "<u>Issuer</u>"), for value received, hereby promises to pay to the registered Holder of this Note or its registered assigns or nominees, upon presentation and surrender of this Note (except as otherwise permitted by the Indenture referred to below), the principal sum [as indicated on Schedule A]⁹[of [●] United States Dollars (U.S.\$[●])]¹⁰ on April 2036 (the "<u>Stated Maturity</u>") except as provided below and in the Indenture. The obligations of the Issuer under this Note and the Indenture are limited recourse obligations of the Issuer payable solely from the Assets in accordance with the Indenture, and following realization of the Assets in accordance with the Indenture, all claims of Noteholders shall be extinguished and shall not thereafter revive. The Subordinated Notes represent unsecured, subordinated obligations of the Issuer and are not entitled to security under the Indenture.

Payments of Interest Proceeds and Principal Proceeds to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes are subordinated to payments in respect of other classes of Notes as set forth in the Indenture and failure to pay such amounts to the Holders of the Subordinated Notes will not constitute an Event of Default under the Indenture.

Unless the certificate of authentication hereon has been executed by the Trustee or the Authenticating Agent by the manual signature of one of their Authorized Officers, this Note shall not be entitled to any benefit under the Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose.

³ In case of Rule 144A Notes.

⁴ In case of Reg S Notes.

⁵ In case of Certificated Notes.

⁶ In case of Rule 144A Notes.

⁷ In case of Reg S Notes.

⁸ In case of Certificated Notes.

⁹ Insert in case of Global Subordinated Notes.

¹⁰ Insert in case of Certificated Subordinated Notes.

This Note is one of a duly authorized issue of Subordinated Notes due 2036 (the "<u>Subordinated Notes</u>" and, together with the other classes of Notes issued under the Indenture, the "<u>Notes</u>") issued under an indenture dated as of March 7, 2024 (the "<u>Indenture</u>") among the Issuer, Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC, as Co-Issuer (the "<u>Co-Issuer</u>") and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as trustee (the "<u>Trustee</u>," which term includes any successor trustee as permitted under the Indenture). Reference is hereby made to the Indenture and all indentures supplemental thereto for a statement of the respective rights, limitations of rights, duties and immunities thereunder of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of the Notes and the terms upon which the Notes are, and are to be, authenticated and delivered.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

[Except as otherwise provided in the Indenture, transfers of this Note shall be limited to transfers of such Global Note in whole, but not in part, to a nominee of DTC or to a successor of DTC or such successor's nominee.

Interests in this Note will be transferable in accordance with DTC's rules and procedures in use at such time, and to transferees acquiring Certificated Secured Notes of the same Class or to a transferee taking an interest in a Global Subordinated Note of the same Class or to a transferee taking an interest in a Global Subordinated Note of the opposing designation ((i) Rule 144A, in the case of a Regulation S Global Subordinated Note or (ii) Regulation S, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note) of the same Class, subject to and in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture. Interests in this Global Subordinated Note may be exchanged for an interest in, or transferred to a transferee taking an interest in, a Global Subordinated Note of the opposing designation ((i) Rule 144A, in the case of a Regulation S Global Subordinated Note or (ii) Regulation S, in the case of a Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note) of the same Class subject to the restrictions as set forth in the Indenture. This Global Subordinated Note is subject to mandatory exchange for Certificated Notes of the same Class under the limited circumstances set forth in the Indenture. Upon redemption, exchange of or increase in any principal amount represented by this Global Subordinated Note, this Global Subordinated Note shall be endorsed on Schedule A hereto to reflect the reduction of or increase in the principal amount evidenced hereby.]¹¹

[This Note may be transferred to a transferee acquiring Certificated Subordinated Notes of the same Class, to a transferee taking an interest in a Rule 144A Global Subordinated Note of the same Class or to a transferee taking an interest in a Regulation S Global Subordinated Note of the same Class, subject to and in accordance with the restrictions set forth in the Indenture.]¹²

This Note may be redeemed, in whole but not in part, on any Business Day on or after the redemption or repayment in full of the Secured Notes and payment in full of all amounts

¹¹ Insert in case of Global Subordinated Notes.

¹² Insert in case of Certificated Subordinated Notes.

then due and owing of the Co-Issuers, at the direction of a Majority of the Subordinated Notes, as set forth in Section 9.2(b) of the Indenture.

In addition, the Issuer has the right to compel any Holder or beneficial owner to sell and transfer its interest in this Note, or may sell such interest on behalf of any Holder or beneficial owner, in the manner, under the conditions and with all the effect provided in the Indenture in the event that such Holder or beneficial owner is a Non-Permitted Holder as set forth in Section 2.12(b) of the Indenture or a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder as set forth in Section 2.12(d) of the Indenture.

The Issuer, the Trustee, and any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name this Note is registered as the owner of such Note on the Register on the applicable Record Date for the purpose of receiving payments of principal of and interest on such Note and on any other date for all other purposes whatsoever (whether or not such Note is overdue), and neither the Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by notice to the contrary.

If an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing, this Note may become or be declared due and payable in the manner and with the effect provided in the Indenture.

This Note will be issued in minimum denominations of \$100,000 and integral multiples of \$1.00 in excess thereof.

Title to Notes shall pass by registration in the Register kept by the Registrar, which initially is the Trustee, acting through its Corporate Trust Office.

No service charge shall be made for registration of transfer or exchange of this Note, but the Trustee or Registrar may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge payable in connection therewith.

Each Holder and beneficial owner of this Note, by its acceptance of this Note, hereby agrees that it shall not institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under Bermuda, U.S. federal or state bankruptcy laws or any similar laws until at least one year and one day after payment in full of the Notes, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day following such payment in full.

In the event that any term or provision contained in this Note shall conflict with or be inconsistent with any term or provision contained in the Indenture, the terms and provisions of the Indenture shall govern with respect to this Note.

AS PROVIDED IN THE INDENTURE, THE INDENTURE AND THIS NOTE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH, AND THE INDENTURE AND THIS NOTE AND ANY MATTERS ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER TO THE INDENTURE OR THIS NOTE (WHETHER IN CONTRACT, TORT OR OTHERWISE), SHALL BE GOVERNED BY, THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, WITHOUT REGARD TO CONFLICT OF LAWS.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Issuer has caused this Note to be duly executed. Dated as of _______, _____. Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LTD. By:______Name: Title:

CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICATION

This is one of the Notes referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

U.S. BANK TRUST COMPANY, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee
By:Authorized Signatory

[SCHEDULE A

SCHEDULE OF EXCHANGES OR REDEMPTIONS

The following exchanges, redemptions of or increase in the whole or a part of the Notes represented by this Global Subordinated Note have been made:

Date exchange/ redemption/ increase made	Original principal amount	Part of principal amount exchanged/redeemed/ increased	Remaining principal amount following such exchange/redemption/ increase	Notation made by or on behalf of the Issuer
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¹³ Insert in case of Global Subordinated Notes.

[SCHEDULE A

ASSIGNMENT FORM

For value	received	
does herel	by sell, assign, and transfer to	
	Please insert social security or	
	other identifying number of assignee	
	Please print or type name and address, including zip code, of assignee:	
the within Attorney to premises.	Note and does hereby irrevocably constitute and to transfer the Note on the books of the Trustee v	d appointwith full power of substitution in the
Date:	Your Signature	2
		(Sign exactly as your name appears in the security)] ¹⁴

 $[\]overline{\ }^{14}$ Insert in case of Certificated Subordinated Notes.

FORM OF TRANSFEROR CERTIFICATE FOR TRANSFER OF RULE 144A GLOBAL NOTE OR CERTIFICATED NOTE TO REGULATION S GLOBAL NOTE

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Re: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. (the "<u>Issuer</u>") and Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC (the "<u>Co-Issuer</u>" and together with the Issuer, the "<u>Co-Issuers</u>");

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture dated as of March 7, 2024 (the "<u>Indenture</u>") among Co-Issuers and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.

This letter relates to a proposed transfer of Notes as described below: Name of Transferor: Name of Transferee: Applicable Class of Notes to be transferred (*check the box that applies*): Class A-1 Notes Class A-J Notes Class B-1 Notes Class B-F Notes Class C-1 Notes Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes Class D-J Notes Class E-1 Notes Class E-F Notes **Subordinated Notes** Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Notes to be transferred: U.S.\$ Form of Notes currently held by Transferor (*check the box that applies*): Rule 144A Global Note Certificated Note

The Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Notes described above are to be transferred to, and are to be held in the form by, the Transferee as follows (*check the box that applies*):

Regulation S Global Secured Note

Regulation S Global Subordinated Note

In connection with such transfer, and in respect of such Notes, the Transferor does hereby certify that such Notes are being transferred to (the " <u>Transferee</u> ") in accordance with Regulation S under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the " <u>Securities Act</u> ") and the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and the Offering Circular defined in the Indenture relating to such Notes and that:
a. the offer of the Notes was not made to a person in the United States;
b. at the time the buy order was originated, the Transferee was outside the United States or the Transferor and any person acting on its behalf reasonably believed that the Transferee was outside the United States;
c. no directed selling efforts have been made in contravention of the requirements o Rule 903 or 904 of Regulation S, as applicable;
d. the transaction is not part of a plan or scheme to evade the registration requirements of the Securities Act; and
e. the Transferee is not a "U.S. person" as defined in Regulation S under the

Securities Act.

The Transferor understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and their counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and the Transferor hereby consents to such reliance.

	(Name of Transferor)
	By:
	Name:
	Title:
Dated:,	

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. cc: c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda

Attention: The Directors

Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Email: ags-ky-structured-finance@global-ags.com

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC c/o Puglisi & Associates 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204 Newark, Delaware 19711

With a copy to:

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022 Facsimile Number: (646) 786-5001 Attention: Chief Legal Officer

FORM OF PURCHASER REPRESENTATION LETTER FOR SECURED NOTES (OTHER THAN THE CLASS E-1 NOTES AND THE CLASS E-F NOTES)

[DATE]

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Re: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. (the "<u>Issuer</u>") and Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC (the "<u>Co-Issuer</u>" and, together with the Issuer, the "<u>Co-Issuers</u>")

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture (the "<u>Indenture</u>"), dated as of March 7, 2024 among the Issuer, the Co-Issuer and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee. Capitalized terms not defined in this Certificate shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the final Offering Circular of the Issuer or the Indenture.

Name of purchaser (the "Transferee"): Applicable Class of Notes being acquired (check the box that applies): Class A-1 Notes Class A-J Notes Class B-1 Notes Class B-F Notes Class C-1 Notes Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes Class D-J Notes	This letter relates to the acquisition of Notes (the "Notes") described below:
Class A-1 Notes Class B-1 Notes Class B-F Notes Class C-1 Notes Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes	Name of purchaser (the "Transferee"):
Class A-J Notes Class B-1 Notes Class B-F Notes Class C-1 Notes Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes	Applicable Class of Notes being acquired (check the box that applies):
Class B-1 Notes Class B-F Notes Class C-1 Notes Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes Class D-J Notes	Class A-1 Notes
Class B-F Notes Class C-1 Notes Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes Class D-J Notes	Class A-J Notes
Class C-1 Notes Class D-1 Notes Class D-J Notes	Class B-1 Notes
Class C-F Notes Class D-1 Notes Class D-J Notes	Class B-F Notes
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Class D-J Notes	Class C-F Notes
	Class D-1 Notes
Class E-1 Notes	Class D-J Notes
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Class E-F Notes	Class E-F Notes

Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Notes being acquired:

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In connection with such request, and in respect of such Specified Securities, the Transferee does hereby certify that the Specified Securities are being transferred (i) in accordance with the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and (ii) pursuant to an

exemption from registration under the United States Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and in accordance with any applicable securities laws of any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.

In addition, the Transferee hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Co-Issuers and its counsel that it is (*check the one which applies*):

- (i) (a)
 - (i) a "qualified purchaser" (a "Qualified Purchaser") as defined in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act") and the rules thereunder or (ii) a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (other than a trust, except as otherwise agreed to by the Issuer) each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is a Qualified Purchaser; and
 - (b) a "qualified institutional buyer" (a "QIB") as defined in Rule 144A ("Rule 144A") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") acquiring the Specified Securities in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A that is neither a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A which owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of the dealer, nor a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (a)(1)(i)(E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such a plan, if investment decisions with respect to the plan are made by the beneficiaries of the plan, except with respect to investment decisions made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan; or
- (ii) not a "U.S. person" (a "<u>U.S. person</u>") as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("<u>Regulation S</u>"), and is acquiring the Specified Securities for its own account or for one or more accounts, each holder of which is not a U.S. person, in an "offshore transaction" as defined in Regulation S (an "<u>Offshore</u> Transaction") in reliance on the exemption from registration pursuant to Regulation S; and
- (iii) it is acquiring the Notes for its own account (and not for the account of any other Person) in a minimum denomination of U.S.\$100,000 and in integral multiples of U.S. \$1.00 in excess thereof.

The Transferee further represents, warrants and agrees as follows:

1. It understands that the Specified Securities are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, have not been and will not be registered or qualified under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and, if in the future it decides to reoffer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Specified Securities, such Specified Securities may be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture and the legends on such Specified Securities, including the requirement for written certifications (if applicable). In particular, it understands that the Specified Securities may only be transferred to, and it will only transfer the Specified Securities to, a Person that is (I)(A) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (other than a trust, except as otherwise agreed to by the Issuer) each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is a Qualified Purchaser and (B) a QIB who purchases such Specified Securities in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A that is neither a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A which owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of the dealer, nor a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (a)(1)(i)(E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such a plan, if investment decisions with respect to the plan are made by the beneficiaries of the plan, except with respect to investment decisions made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, or (II) a person that is not a U.S. person, and is acquiring the Specified Securities in an Offshore Transaction in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S. It acknowledges that

no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Specified Securities. It acknowledges that neither of the Co-Issuers has been registered under the Investment Company Act, and that the Co-Issuers are excepted from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.

- 2. In connection with its purchase of the Specified Securities: (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Retention Holder, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or the Administrator (the "Transaction Parties") or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (ii) it is not relying, and will not rely, (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any written or oral advice, counsel or representations of the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates; other than any statements in the final Offering Circular with respect to such Specified Securities; (iii) it has read and understands the final Offering Circular for the Notes (including, without limitation, the descriptions therein of the structure of the transaction in which the Notes are being issued and the risks to purchasers of the Specified Securities); (iv) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary, and has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Specified Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks; (vi) none of the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates has given it (directly or indirectly through any other Person) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Specified Securities or of the Indenture; (vii) it has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of such Specified Securities reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; (viii) if it is not a U.S. person, it is not acquiring any Specified Security as part of a plan to reduce, avoid or evade U.S. federal income tax; and (ix) it understands that the Issuer may receive a list of participants holding interests in the Notes from one or more book-entry depositories.
- 3. It (i) is acquiring the Specified Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (ii) is not a (A) partnership, (B) common trust fund, or (C) special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants may designate the particular investments to be made; (iii) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Specified Securities; (iv) agrees that it shall not hold any Specified Securities for the benefit of any other Person, that it shall at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Specified Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Specified Securities; and (v) will hold and transfer at least the minimum denomination of the Specified Securities and provide notice of the relevant transfer restrictions to subsequent transferees.
- 4. It will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Specified Securities of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in Article II of the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.
- 5. It represents, warrants and agrees that (a) if it is, or is acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor, as defined in Section 3(42) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Specified Securities (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and (b) if it is a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan that is subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. laws or regulations that are substantially similar to the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code ("Other Plan Law"), its acquisition, holding and disposition of such Specified Securities (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a violation of Other Plan Law.

- 6. It represents, warrants and agrees that, if it is, or is acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor, (i) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Retention Holder, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Initial Purchaser or any financial intermediaries or other persons that provide marketing services, or any of their respective affiliates, has provided any investment recommendation or investment advice on which it, or any fiduciary or other person investing the assets of the Benefit Plan Investor ("Plan Fiduciary"), has relied as a primary basis in connection with its decision to invest in the Specified Securities, and they are not otherwise undertaking to act as a fiduciary, as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA or Section 4975(e)(3) of the Code, to the Benefit Plan Investor or the Plan Fiduciary in connection with the Benefit Plan Investor's acquisition of the Specified Securities, and (ii) the Plan Fiduciary is exercising its own independent judgment in evaluating the investment in the Specified Securities.
- 7. It is (x) (check if applicable) a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code, and a properly completed and signed Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) is attached hereto or (y) (check if applicable) not a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30), and a properly completed and signed applicable Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) is attached hereto. In either case, it has accurately completed the FATCA Questionnaire attached hereto, and will update any information contained therein in the event that any such information becomes incorrect.
- 8. It agrees to treat the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, and the Notes as described in the "Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" section of the Offering Circular for all U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes and will take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless required by law.
- 9. It will timely furnish the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, or any agent of the Issuer any tax forms or certifications (such as an applicable IRS Form W-8 with appropriate attachments, IRS Form W-9, or any successors to such IRS forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request (A) to permit the Issuer or its agents to make payments to it without, or at a reduced rate of, deduction or withholding, (B) to enable the Issuer or its agents to qualify for a reduced rate of withholding or deduction in any jurisdiction from or through which the Issuer or its agents receive payments, and (C) to enable the Issuer or its agents to satisfy reporting and other obligations under the Code and Treasury regulations and under any other applicable laws, and shall update or replace such documentation, agreements, information, or certifications as appropriate or in accordance with their terms or subsequent amendments thereto. It acknowledges that the failure to provide, update or replace any such documentation, agreements, information, or certifications may result in the imposition of withholding or back-up withholding upon payments to it. Amounts withheld by the Issuer or its agents that are, in their sole judgment, required to be withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws will be treated as having been paid to it by the Issuer.
- 10. It agrees (A) to obtain and provide the Issuer (including its agents and representatives) with information or documentation, and to update or correct such information or documentation, as may be necessary or helpful (in the sole determination of the Issuer or its agents or representatives, as applicable) to achieve FATCA Compliance or that is required under Bermuda FATCA Legislation (as amended from time to time) or for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance (the obligations undertaken pursuant to this clause (A), the "Holder Reporting Obligations"), including, but not limited to, properly completed and executed "Entity Self-Certification Form" or "Individual Self-Certification Form" (in the forms published by the Government of Bermuda in Appendix I of the Common Reporting Standard for Automatic Exchange of Financial Information in Tax Matters - Guidance, which Guidance can be obtained https://www.gov.bm/common-reporting-standard-country-country-reporting), (B) that the Issuer or its agents or representatives may (1) provide such information and documentation and any other information concerning its investment in such Notes to the Bermuda Ministry of Finance, the IRS and any other relevant tax or regulatory authority and (2) take such other steps as they deem necessary or helpful to achieve FATCA Compliance, compliance with the Bermuda FATCA Legislation and for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance, including withholding on "passthru payments" (as defined in the Code), and (C) that if it fails for any reason to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations or otherwise is or becomes a Non-Permitted Tax Holder, the Issuer will have the right, in addition to withholding on passthru payments, to (1) compel it to sell its interest in such Notes, (2) sell such interest on its behalf in accordance with the procedures

specified in Section 2.12(b) of the Indenture and/or (3) assign to such Notes a separate CUSIP or CUSIPs, and, in the case of this subclause (3), to deposit payments on such Notes into a tax reserve account, which amounts will be either (x) released to the Holder of such Notes at such time that the Issuer determines that the Holder of such Notes complies with its Holder Reporting Obligations and is not otherwise a Non-Permitted Tax Holder or (y) released to pay costs related to such noncompliance (including Taxes imposed by FATCA); provided that any unallocated amounts remaining in a tax reserve account will be released to the applicable Holder (a) on the date of final payment for the Class (or as soon as reasonably practical thereafter) or (b) at the request of the applicable Holder on any Business Day after such Holder has certified to the Issuer and the Trustee that it no longer holds an interest in any Notes. Any amounts deposited into a tax reserve account in respect of Notes held by a Non-Permitted Tax Holder shall be treated for all purposes under the Indenture as if such amounts had been paid directly to the Holder of such Notes. It agrees to indemnify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee and other beneficial owners of Notes for all damages, costs and expenses that result from its failure to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations. This indemnification will continue even after it ceases to have an ownership interest in such Notes.

- 11. [Reserved].
- 12. [Reserved].
- 13. It understands that the Issuer has the right under the Indenture to compel any Non-Permitted Holder or Non-Permitted ERISA Holder to sell its interest in such Specified Securities, or may sell such interest in such Specified Securities on behalf of such Non-Permitted Holder or Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. In addition to the rights of the Issuer described above, any acquisition of Specified Securities by a Non-Permitted Holder or by a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder shall be void *ab initio*.
- 14. It agrees that the Specified Securities will be limited recourse obligations of the Issuer, payable solely from the Assets in accordance with the Priority of Payments. It agrees that it shall not institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary, any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under Bermuda, U.S. Federal or state bankruptcy laws or any other similar laws until at least one year and one day after payment in full of the Notes, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day following such payment in full.
- 15. To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Specified Securities to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 and other similar laws or regulations, including, without limitation, requiring each transferee of Specified Securities to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.
- 16. It understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.
- 17. It will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Specified Securities by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.
- 18. If it is not a natural person, it has the power and authority to enter into this Representation Letter and each other document required to be executed and delivered by or on behalf of it in connection with this purchase or transfer of Specified Securities, and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and the person signing this Representation Letter on behalf of it has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Representation Letter and each other document required to be executed and delivered by it in connection with this subscription for Specified

Securities. If it is a natural person, it has all requisite legal capacity to acquire and hold the Specified Securities and to execute, deliver and comply with the terms of each of the documents required to be executed and delivered by it in connection with this subscription for Specified Securities. Such execution, delivery and compliance by it does not conflict with, or constitute a default under, any instruments governing it, any applicable law, regulation or order, or any material agreement to which it is a party or by which it is bound. This Representation Letter has been duly executed by it and constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of it, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.

- 19. It is not a member of the public in Bermuda.
- 20. It understands and agrees that the Specified Securities are a medium for investment and are governed by Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York.
- 21. It will provide the Issuer or its agents with such information and documentation that may be required for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance and shall update or replace such information or documentation, as may be necessary.

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cc:	cc: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street		

Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda

Attention: The Directors Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Email: ags-ky-structured-finance@global-ags.com

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC c/o Puglisi & Associates 850 Library Avenue, Ste. 204 Newark, DE 19711

With a copy to:

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022 Facsimile Number: 646-786-5001

Attention: Chief Legal Officer

FORM OF TRANSFEROR CERTIFICATE FOR TRANSFER OF REGULATION S GLOBAL NOTE OR CERTIFICATED NOTE TO RULE 144A GLOBAL NOTE

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Re: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. (the "<u>Issuer</u>") and Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC (the "<u>Co-Issuer</u>" and, together with the Issuer, the "<u>Co-Issuers</u>");

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture dated as of March 7, 2024 (the "<u>Indenture</u>") among the Co-Issuers and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.

This letter relates to a proposed transfer of Notes described below:

Name of Transferor:
Name of Transferee:
Applicable Class of Notes to be transferred (check the box that applies):
Class A-1 Notes
Class A-J Notes
Class B-1 Notes
Class B-F Notes
Class C-1 Notes
Class C-F Notes
Class D-1 Notes
Class D-J Notes
Class E-1 Notes
Class E-F Notes
Subordinated Notes
Form of Notes currently held by Transferor (check the box that applies):
Regulation S Global Note
Certificated Note
Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Notes to be transferred:
U.S.\$

In connection with such transfer, and in respect of such Notes, t	the Transferor does hereby certify
that such Notes are being transferred to	(the "Transferee") in accordance
with (i) the transfer restrictions set forth in the Indenture and	the Offering Circular relating to
such Notes and (ii) Rule 144A under the United States Securiti	ies Act of 1933, as amended, and
it reasonably believes that the Transferee is purchasing the	Notes for its own account, is a
Qualified Institutional Buyer and either (x) a Qualified Pu	rchaser or (y) an entity owned
exclusively by Qualified Purchasers and is obtaining such be meeting the requirements of Rule 144A and in accordance with any state of the United States or any other jurisdiction.	

The Transferor understands that the Co-Issuers, the Trustee and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and the Transferor hereby consents to such reliance.

(Name of Transferor)

By:		
Name:		
Title:		

Dated: _____, ____

cc: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda

Attention: The Directors

Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Email: ags-ky-structured-finance@global-ags.com

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC c/o Puglisi & Associates 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204 Newark, Delaware 19711 Telephone: (302) 636-5400

With a copy to:

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Facsimile Number: (646) 786-5001 Attention: Chief Legal Officer

FORM OF PURCHASER REPRESENTATION LETTER FOR THE CLASS E-1 NOTES, THE CLASS E-F NOTES AND SUBORDINATED NOTES

[DATE]

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603 Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Re: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. (the "Issuer"); Subordinated Notes due 2036,

Reference is hereby made to the Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, among the Issuer, Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC, as Co-Issuer and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee (the "<u>Indenture</u>"). Capitalized terms not defined in this Certificate shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the final Offering Circular of the Issuer or the Indenture.

This letter relates to the acquisition of Notes (the "Notes") described below:
Name of purchaser (the "Transferee"):
Applicable Class of Notes being acquired (check box that applies):
Class E-1 Notes
Class E-F Notes
Subordinated Notes
Aggregate Outstanding Amount of Notes being acquired:
U.S.\$
The Transferee hereby represents, warrants and covenants for the benefit of the Issuer and its counsel that it is:

- (a) (Check the one which applies) (i) a "qualified purchaser" (a "Qualified Purchaser") as defined in Section 2(a)(51) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "Investment Company Act") and the rules thereunder, or (ii) a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (other than a trust, except as otherwise agreed to by the Issuer) each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is a Qualified Purchaser; and
- a "qualified institutional buyer" (a "QIB"), as defined in Rule 144A ("Rule 144A") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") acquiring the Specified Securities in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A that is neither a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A which owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of the dealer, nor a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (a)(1)(i)(E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such a plan, if investment decisions with respect to the plan are made by the beneficiaries of the plan, except with respect to investment decisions made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan; or
- (b) not a "U.S. person" (a "<u>U.S. person</u>") as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act ("<u>Regulation S</u>"), and is acquiring the Specified Securities for its own account or for one or more accounts, each holder of which is not a U.S. person, in an "offshore transaction" as defined in

- Regulation S (an "Offshore Transaction") in reliance on the exemption from registration pursuant to Regulation S; and
- (c) acquiring the Specified Securities for its own account (and not for the account of any other Person) in a minimum denomination of U.S.\$100,000 and in integral multiples of U.S.\$1.00 in excess thereof.

The Transferee further represents, warrants and agrees as follows:

- 1. It understands that the Specified Securities are being offered only in a transaction not involving any public offering in the United States within the meaning of the Securities Act, have not been and will not be registered or qualified under the Securities Act or any state securities laws, and, if in the future it decides to reoffer, resell, pledge or otherwise transfer the Specified Securities, such Specified Securities may be reoffered, resold, pledged or otherwise transferred only in accordance with the provisions of the Indenture and the legends on such Specified Securities, including the requirement for written certifications (if applicable). In particular, it understands that the Specified Securities may only be transferred to, and it will only transfer the Specified Securities to, a Person that is (I)(A) either (i) a Qualified Purchaser or (ii) a corporation, partnership, limited liability company or other entity (other than a trust, except as otherwise agreed to by the Issuer) each shareholder, partner, member or other equity owner of which is a Qualified Purchaser and (B) a QIB who purchases such Specified Securities in reliance on the exemption from Securities Act registration provided by Rule 144A that is neither a dealer described in paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of Rule 144A which owns and invests on a discretionary basis less than U.S. \$25 million in securities of issuers that are not affiliated persons of the dealer, nor a plan referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(D) or (a)(1)(i)(E) of Rule 144A or a trust fund referred to in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(F) of Rule 144A that holds the assets of such a plan, if investment decisions with respect to the plan are made by the beneficiaries of the plan, except with respect to investment decisions made solely by the fiduciary, trustee or sponsor of such plan, or (II) a person that is not a U.S. person, and is acquiring the Specified Securities in an Offshore Transaction in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Regulation S. It acknowledges that no representation is made as to the availability of any exemption under the Securities Act or any state securities laws for resale of the Specified Securities. It acknowledges that neither of the Co-Issuers has been registered under the Investment Company Act, and that the Co-Issuers are excepted from registration as such by virtue of Section 3(c)(7) of the Investment Company Act.
- 2. In connection with its purchase of the Specified Securities: (i) none of the Co-Issuers, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, the Retention Holder, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator or the Administrator (the "Transaction Parties") or any of their respective Affiliates is acting as a fiduciary or financial or investment adviser for it; (ii) it is not relying, and will not rely, (for purposes of making any investment decision or otherwise) upon any written or oral advice, counsel or representations of the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates; other than any statements in the final Offering Circular with respect to such Specified Securities; (iii) it has read and understands the final Offering Circular for the Notes (including, without limitation, the descriptions therein of the structure of the transaction in which the Notes are being issued and the risks to purchasers of the Specified Securities); (iv) it has consulted with its own legal, regulatory, tax, business, investment, financial and accounting advisers to the extent it has deemed necessary, and has made its own investment decisions (including decisions regarding the suitability of any transaction pursuant to the Indenture) based upon its own judgment and upon any advice from such advisers as it has deemed necessary and not upon any view expressed by the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates; (v) it is a sophisticated investor and is purchasing the Specified Securities with a full understanding of all of the terms, conditions and risks thereof, and it is capable of assuming and willing to assume those risks; (vi) none of the Transaction Parties or any of their respective Affiliates has given it (directly or indirectly through any other Person) any assurance, guarantee or representation whatsoever as to the expected or projected success, profitability, return, performance, result, effect, consequence or benefit (including legal, regulatory, tax, financial, accounting or otherwise) of the Specified Securities or of the Indenture; (vii) it has determined that the rates, prices or amounts and other terms of the purchase and sale of such Specified Securities reflect those in the relevant market for similar transactions; and (viii) it

understands that the Issuer may receive a list of participants holding interests in the Notes from one or more book-entry depositories.

- 3. It (i) is acquiring the Specified Securities as principal solely for its own account for investment and not with a view to the resale, distribution or other disposition thereof in violation of the Securities Act; (ii) is not a (A) partnership, (B) common trust fund, or (C) special trust, pension, profit sharing or other retirement trust fund or plan in which the partners, beneficiaries or participants may designate the particular investments to be made; (iii) was not formed for the purpose of investing in the Specified Securities; (iv) agrees that it shall not hold any Specified Securities for the benefit of any other Person, that it shall at all times be the sole beneficial owner thereof for purposes of the Investment Company Act and all other purposes and that it shall not sell participation interests in the Specified Securities or enter into any other arrangement pursuant to which any other Person shall be entitled to a beneficial interest in the distributions on the Specified Securities; and (v) will hold and transfer at least the minimum denomination of the Specified Securities and provide notice of the relevant transfer restrictions to subsequent transferees.
- 4. It will provide notice to each Person to whom it proposes to transfer any interest in the Specified Securities of the transfer restrictions and representations set forth in Article II of the Indenture, including the exhibits referenced therein.
- 5. It acknowledges and agrees that all of the representations, warranties and assurances given by it in certifications required by the Indenture as to its status under the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA"), and/or Section 4975 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), are correct and are for the benefit of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and the Portfolio Manager. It agrees and acknowledges that the Issuer has the right, under the Indenture, to compel any Holder or beneficial owner of Specified Securities who has made or has been deemed to make a prohibited transaction, Benefit Plan Investor, Controlling Person, Similar Law or Other Plan Law representation that is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or whose beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation to sell its interest in the Specified Securities, or may sell such interest on behalf of such owner.
- 6. It agrees that the representations and warranties set forth in Exhibit B-5 to the Indenture are true and correct and that a duly completed copy of such Exhibit B-5 to the Indenture has been provided to the Trustee, the Issuer and the Portfolio Manager contemporaneous with the execution of this representation letter.
- 7. It agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and the Portfolio Manager and their respective Affiliates from any cost, damage, or loss incurred by them as a result of these representations or any of those in Exhibit B-5 to the Indenture being or being deemed to be untrue.
- 8. It understands that the Issuer has the right under the Indenture to compel any Non-Permitted Holder or Non-Permitted ERISA Holder to sell its interest in such Specified Securities, or may sell such interest in such Specified Securities on behalf of such Non-Permitted Holder or Non-Permitted ERISA Holder. In addition to the rights of the Issuer described above, any acquisition of Specified Securities by a Non-Permitted Holder or by a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder shall be void *ab initio*.
- 9. It is (x) (check if applicable) a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code, and a properly completed and signed Internal Revenue Service Form W-9 (or applicable successor form) is attached hereto or (y) (check if applicable) not a United States person within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30), and a properly completed and signed applicable Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 (or applicable successor form) is attached hereto. In either case, it has accurately completed the FATCA Questionnaire attached hereto, and will update any information contained therein in the event that any such information becomes incorrect.

- 10. It agrees to treat the Issuer and the Notes as described in the "Certain U.S. Federal Income Tax Considerations" section of the Offering Circular for all U.S. federal, state and local income tax purposes and will take no action inconsistent with such treatment unless required by law.
- 11. It will timely furnish the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee, or any agent of the Issuer any tax forms or certifications (such as an applicable IRS Form W-8 with appropriate attachments, IRS Form W-9, or any successors to such IRS forms) that the Issuer or its agents may reasonably request (A) to permit the Issuer or its agents to make payments to it without, or at a reduced rate of, deduction or withholding, (B) to enable the Issuer or its agents to qualify for a reduced rate of withholding or deduction in any jurisdiction from or through which the Issuer or its agents receive payments, and (C) to enable the Issuer or its agents to satisfy reporting and other obligations under the Code and Treasury regulations and under any other applicable laws, and shall update or replace such documentation, agreements, information, or certifications as appropriate or in accordance with their terms or subsequent amendments thereto. It acknowledges that the failure to provide, update or replace any such documentation, agreements, information, or certifications may result in the imposition of withholding or back-up withholding upon payments to it. Amounts withheld by the Issuer or its agents that are, in their sole judgment, required to be withheld pursuant to applicable tax laws will be treated as having been paid to it by the Issuer.
- 12. It agrees (A) to obtain and provide the Issuer (including its agents and representatives) with information or documentation, and to update or correct such information or documentation, as may be necessary or helpful (in the sole determination of the Issuer or its agents or representatives, as applicable) to achieve FATCA Compliance or for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance (the obligations undertaken pursuant to this clause (A), the "Holder Reporting Obligations"), (B) that the Issuer or its agents or representatives may (1) provide such information and documentation and any other information concerning its investment in such Notes to the IRS and any other relevant tax or regulatory authority and (2) take such other steps as they deem necessary or helpful to achieve FATCA Compliance and for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance. including withholding on "passthru payments" (as defined in the Code), and (C) that if it fails for any reason to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations or otherwise is or becomes a Non-Permitted Tax Holder, the Issuer will have the right, in addition to withholding on passthru payments, to (1) compel it to sell its interest in such Notes, (2) sell such interest on its behalf in accordance with the procedures specified in Section 2.12(b) of the Indenture and/or (3) assign to such Notes a separate CUSIP or CUSIPs, and, in the case of this subclause (3), to deposit payments on such Notes into a tax reserve account, which amounts will be either (x) released to the Holder of such Notes at such time that the Issuer determines that the Holder of such Notes complies with its Holder Reporting Obligations and is not otherwise a Non-Permitted Tax Holder or (y) released to pay costs related to such noncompliance (including Taxes imposed by FATCA); provided, that any unallocated amounts remaining in a tax reserve account will be released to the applicable Holder (a) on the date of final payment for the Class (or as soon as reasonably practical thereafter) or (b) at the request of the applicable Holder on any Business Day after such Holder has certified to the Issuer and the Trustee that it no longer holds an interest in any Notes. Any amounts deposited into a tax reserve account in respect of Notes held by a Non-Permitted Tax Holder shall be treated for all purposes under the Indenture as if such amounts had been paid directly to the Holder of such Notes. It agrees to indemnify the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Trustee and other beneficial owners of Notes for all damages, costs and expenses that result from its failure to comply with its Holder Reporting Obligations. This indemnification will continue even after it ceases to have an ownership interest in such Notes
- 13. It agrees that it shall not institute against, or join any other Person in instituting against the Issuer, the Co-Issuer or any Issuer Subsidiary any bankruptcy, reorganization, arrangement, insolvency, moratorium or liquidation proceedings or other proceedings under Bermuda, U.S. Federal or state bankruptcy laws or any other similar laws until at least one year and one day after payment in full of the Notes, or, if longer, the applicable preference period then in effect plus one day following such payment in full.
- 14. To the extent required by the Issuer, as determined by the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer, the Issuer may, upon notice to the Trustee, impose additional transfer restrictions on the Specified Securities to comply with the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001 and other similar laws or regulations, including, without

- limitation, requiring each transferee of Specified Securities to make representations to the Issuer in connection with such compliance.
- 15. It understands that the Issuer, the Trustee and the Initial Purchaser and their respective counsel will rely upon the accuracy and truth of the foregoing representations, and it hereby consents to such reliance.
- 16. It understands that an investment in the Specified Securities involves certain risks, including the risk of loss of all or a substantial part of its investment. Due to the structure of the transaction, the Specified Securities will rank behind all senior creditors (secured or unsecured and whether known or unknown) of the Issuer, including without limitation, the holders of any senior Class of Debt and any Hedge Counterparties. It has had access to such financial and other information concerning the Transaction Parties, the Specified Securities, the initial portfolio of Collateral Obligations and the Assets as it deemed necessary or appropriate in order to make an informed investment decision with respect to its purchase of the Specified Securities, including an opportunity to ask questions of and request information from each Transaction Party.
- 17. It will not, at any time, offer to buy or offer to sell the Specified Securities by any form of general solicitation or advertising, including, but not limited to, any advertisement, article, notice or other communication published in any newspaper, magazine or similar medium or broadcast over television or radio or seminar or meeting whose attendees have been invited by general solicitations or advertising.
- 18. If it is not a natural person, it has the power and authority to enter into this Representation Letter and each other document required to be executed and delivered by or on behalf of it in connection with this purchase or transfer of Specified Securities, and to perform its obligations hereunder and thereunder and consummate the transactions contemplated hereby and thereby, and the person signing this Representation Letter on behalf of it has been duly authorized to execute and deliver this Representation Letter and each other document required to be executed and delivered by it in connection with this subscription for Specified Securities. If it is a natural person, it has all requisite legal capacity to acquire and hold the Specified Securities and to execute, deliver and comply with the terms of each of the documents required to be executed and delivered by it in connection with this subscription for Specified Securities. Such execution, delivery and compliance by it does not conflict with, or constitute a default under, any instruments governing it, any applicable law, regulation or order, or any material agreement to which it is a party or by which it is bound. This Representation Letter has been duly executed by it and constitutes a valid and legally binding agreement of it, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.
- 19. If it owns more than 50% of the Subordinated Notes by value or is otherwise treated as a member of the Issuer's "expanded affiliated group" (as defined in Treasury regulations section 1.1471-5 (or any successor provision)), it represents that it will (A) confirm that any member of such expanded affiliated group (assuming that each of the Issuer and any Issuer Subsidiary is a "participating FFI" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-1(b)(91) (or any successor provision)) that is treated as a "foreign financial institution" within the meaning of Section 1471(d)(4) of the Code and any Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder is either a "participating FFI", a "registered deemed-compliant FFI" or an "exempt beneficial owner" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-1 (or any successor provision), and (B) promptly notify the Issuer in the event that any member of such expanded affiliated group that is treated as a "foreign financial institution" within the meaning of Section 1471(d)(4) of the Code and any Treasury regulations promulgated thereunder is not either a "participating FFI", a "registered deemed-compliant FFI" or an "exempt beneficial owner" within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.1471-1 (or any successor provision), in each case except to the extent that the Issuer or its agents have provided such Holder with an express waiver of this requirement.
- 20. Each Holder of a Class E-1 Note, Class E-F Note or Subordinated Note, if it is not a "United States person" (as defined in Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code), by acceptance of its Note shall be deemed to represent that it either:

- (i) is not a bank (within the meaning of section 881 of the Code) or an affiliate of a bank;
- if a bank (within the meaning of Section 881 of the Code), after giving effect to its purchase of the Class E-1 Notes, the Class E-F Notes or Subordinated Notes (as applicable), (x) will not directly or indirectly own more than 33-1/3%, by value, of the aggregate of the Notes within such Class and any other Notes that are ranked *pari passu* with or are subordinated to such Notes, and will not otherwise be related to the Issuer (within the meaning of Treasury regulations section 1.881-3) and (y) has not purchased the Notes in whole or in part to avoid any U.S. federal income tax liability (including, without limitation, any U.S. withholding tax that would be imposed on payments on the Collateral Obligations if the Collateral Obligations were held directly by the purchaser, beneficial owner or subsequent transferee);
- (iii) has provided an IRS Form W-8ECI representing that all payments received or to be received by it from the Issuer are effectively connected with the conduct of a trade or business in the United States, or
- (iv) has provided an IRS Form W-8BEN-E representing that it is a person that is eligible for benefits under an income tax treaty with the United States that eliminates U.S. federal income taxation of U.S. source interest not attributable to a permanent establishment in the United States.
- 21. No purchaser, beneficial owner or subsequent transferee of a Subordinated Note shall treat any income with respect to its Subordinated Notes as derived in connection with the Issuer's active conduct of a banking, financing, insurance, or other similar business for purposes of Section 954(h)(2) of the Code.
- 22. It is not a member of the public in Bermuda.
- 23. It understands and agrees that the Specified Securities are a medium for investment and are governed by Article 8 of the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect in the State of New York.
- 24. It will provide the Issuer or its agents with such information and documentation that may be required for the Issuer to achieve AML Compliance and shall update or replace such information or documentation, as may be necessary.

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cc:	c/o Appleby C	t, 22 Victoria Street	rvices (Bermuda) Ltd
	Attention: Th	e Directors	

with a copy to:

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Facsimile Number: 646-786-5001 Attention: Chief Legal Officer

Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Email: ags-ky-structured-finance@global-ags.com

FORM OF ERISA CERTIFICATE

This Benefit Plan Investor Certificate (this "Certificate") is being provided in connection with the acquisition of:

Class E-1 Notes

Class E-F Notes

Subordinated Notes

The Class of Notes indicated above are referred to herein as the "Specified Securities".

The purpose of this Benefit Plan Investor Certificate is (this "Certificate"), among other things, to (i) endeavor to ensure that less than 25% of the total value of the Class of Notes to which the Specified Securities belong, issued by Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. (the "Issuer") is held by "Benefit Plan Investors" as contemplated and defined under Section 3(42) of the United States Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended ("ERISA") and the U.S. Department of Labor's regulations set forth at 29 C.F.R. Section 2510.3-101, as modified by Section 3(42) of ERISA (the "Plan Asset Regulations") so that the Issuer will not be subject to the U.S. federal employee benefits provisions contained in Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the United States Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), (ii) obtain from you certain representations and agreements and (iii) provide you with certain related information with respect to your acquisition, holding or disposition of the Specified Securities (or any interest therein). By signing this Certificate, you agree to be bound by its terms.

Please be aware that the information contained in this Certificate is not intended to constitute advice and the examples given below are not intended to be, and are not, comprehensive. You should contact your own counsel if you have any questions in completing this Certificate. Capitalized terms not defined in this Certificate shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the final Offering Circular of the Issuer or the Indenture, as applicable.

Please review the information in this Certificate and check the box(es) that are applicable to you, although you must check at least one box.

By checking a box, you are representing and warranting as to your status for so long as you hold a Note or interest therein. If a box is not checked, you are representing and agreeing that the applicable Section does not, and will not, apply to you.

PROSPECTIVE PURCHASERS SHOULD NOTE THAT, EXCEPT FOR PURCHASES FROM THE ISSUER OR THE INITIAL PURCHASER ON THE CLOSING DATE, THE SPECIFIED SECURITIES IN THE FORM OF GLOBAL

NOTES MAY NOT BE ACQUIRED BY A BENEFIT PLAN INVESTOR OR A CONTROLLING PERSON.

1. Employee Benefit Plans Subject to ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code. We, or the entity on whose behalf we are acting, are an "employee benefit plan" within the meaning of Section 3(3) of ERISA that is subject to the fiduciary responsibility provisions of Title I of ERISA or a "plan" within the meaning of Section 4975(e)(1) of the Code that is subject to Section 4975 of the Code.

Examples: (i) tax qualified retirement plans such as pension, profit sharing and section 401(k) plans, (ii) welfare benefit plans such as accident, life and medical plans, (iii) individual retirement accounts or "IRAs" and "Keogh" plans and (iv) certain tax-qualified educational and savings trusts.

2. Entity Holding Plan Assets by Reason of Plan Asset Regulations. We, or the entity on whose behalf we are acting, are an entity or fund whose underlying assets include "plan assets" by reason of a Benefit Plan Investor's investment in such entity.

Examples: (i) an insurance company separate account, (ii) a bank collective trust fund and (iii) a hedge fund or other private investment vehicle where 25% or more of the total value of any class of its equity is held by Benefit Plan Investors.

If you check Box 2, please indicate the maximum percentage of the entity or fund that will constitute "plan assets" for purposes of Title I of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code: %.

AN ENTITY OR FUND THAT CANNOT PROVIDE THE FOREGOING PERCENTAGE HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGES THAT FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING WHETHER BENEFIT PLAN INVESTORS OWN LESS THAN 25% OF THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE SPECIFIED SECURITIES ISSUED BY THE ISSUER, 100% OF THE ASSETS OF THE ENTITY OR FUND WILL BE TREATED AS "PLAN ASSETS."

ERISA and the regulations promulgated thereunder are technical. Accordingly, if you have any question regarding whether you may be an entity described in this Section 2, you should consult with your counsel.

3. <u>Insurance Company General Account</u>. We, or the entity on whose behalf we are acting, are an insurance company purchasing the Specified Securities (or interests therein) with funds from our or their general account (*i.e.*, the insurance company's corporate investment portfolio), whose assets, in whole or in part, constitute "plan assets" for purposes of the Plan Asset Regulations.

If you check Box 3, please indicate the maximum percentage of the insurance company general account that will constitute "plan assets" for purposes of conducting the 25% test under the Plan Asset Regulations: _____%. IF YOU DO NOT INCLUDE ANY PERCENTAGE IN THE BLANK SPACE, YOU WILL BE COUNTED AS IF YOU FILLED IN 100% IN THE BLANK SPACE.

- 4. None of Sections (1) Through (3) Above Apply. We, or the entity on whose behalf we are acting, are a person that does not fall into any of the categories described in Sections (1) through (3) above.
- 5. <u>No Prohibited Transaction</u>. If we checked any of the boxes in Sections (1) through (3) above, we represent, warrant and agree that our acquisition, holding and disposition of the Specified Securities (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a non-exempt prohibited transaction under Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.
- 6. Not Subject to Similar Law and No Violation of Other Plan Law. If we are a governmental, church, non-U.S. or other plan, we represent, warrant and agree that (a) we are not, and for so long as we hold the Specified Securities or any interest therein we will not be, subject to any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law or regulation that could cause the underlying assets of the Issuer to be treated as assets of the investor in any Note (or interests therein) by virtue of its interest and thereby subject the Issuer or the Portfolio Manager (or other persons responsible for the investment and operation of the Issuer's assets) to federal, state, local or non-U.S. laws or regulations that are substantially similar to the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code, and (b) our acquisition, holding and disposition of the Specified Securities (or interests therein) will not constitute or result in a violation of any federal, state, local or non-U.S. law or regulation that is substantially similar to the prohibited transaction provisions of Section 406 of ERISA or Section 4975 of the Code.
- 7. Controlling Person. We are, or we are acting on behalf of any of: (i) any person that has discretionary authority or control with respect to the assets of the Issuer, (ii) any person who provides investment advice for a fee (direct or indirect) with respect to such assets or (iii) any "affiliate" of any of the above persons. "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan Asset Regulations. Any of the persons described in the first sentence of this Section 7 (other than a Benefit Plan Investor) is referred to in this Certificate as a "Controlling Person."

<u>Note</u>: We understand that, for purposes of determining whether Benefit Plan Investors hold less than 25% of the total value of the Specified Securities represented by the Aggregate Outstanding Amount thereof, the value of any Specified Securities held by Controlling Persons (other than Benefit Plan Investors) are required to be disregarded.

8. Plan Fiduciary. If we are, or are acting on behalf of, a Benefit Plan Investor, we represent, warrant and agree that (i) none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Portfolio Manager, the Retention Holder, the Trustee, the Collateral Administrator, the Administrator, the Initial Purchaser or any financial intermediaries or other persons that provide marketing services, or any of their respective affiliates, has provided any investment recommendation or investment advice on which we, or any fiduciary or other person investing our assets ("Plan Fiduciary"), has relied as a primary basis in connection with our or its decision to invest in the Notes, and they are not otherwise undertaking to act as a fiduciary, as defined in Section 3(21) of ERISA or Section 4975(e)(3) of the Code, to us or the Plan Fiduciary in connection with our acquisition of

the Notes, and (ii) the Plan Fiduciary is exercising its own independent judgment in evaluating the investment in the Notes.

9. **Compelled Disposition**. We acknowledge and agree that:

- (i) if any representation that we made hereunder is subsequently shown to be false or misleading or our beneficial ownership otherwise causes a violation of the 25% Limitation (in any such case we become a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder), the Issuer (or the Portfolio Manager on behalf of the Issuer) shall, promptly after such discovery (or upon notice from the Trustee (if a Trust Officer obtains actual knowledge) or the Co-Issuer if either of them makes the discovery (who, in each case, agree to notify the Issuer of such discovery, if any)), send notice to us demanding that we transfer our Specified Securities (or our interests therein) to a Person that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder within 10 days after the date of such notice;
- (ii) if we fail to transfer our [Specified Securities (or our interests therein), the Issuer shall have the right, without further notice to us, to sell our Specified Securities or our interests in the Specified Securities, to a purchaser selected by the Issuer that is not a Non-Permitted ERISA Holder on such terms as the Issuer may choose;
- (iii) the Issuer may select the purchaser by soliciting one or more bids from one or more brokers or other market professionals that regularly deal in securities similar to the Notes and selling our Specified Securities (or our interests therein) to the highest such bidder. However, the Issuer may select a purchaser by any other means determined by it in its sole discretion;
- (iv) by our acceptance of the Specified Securities (or interests therein), we agree to cooperate with the Issuer and the Trustee to effect such transfers;
- (v) the proceeds of such sale, net of any commissions, expenses and taxes due in connection with such sale shall be remitted to us; and
- (vi) the terms and conditions of any sale under this sub-section shall be determined in the sole discretion of the Issuer, and none of the Issuer, the Co-Issuer, the Trustee or the Portfolio Manager shall be liable to us as a result of any such sale or the exercise of such discretion.
- 10. **Required Notification**. We hereby agree that we will inform the Issuer and the Trustee of any proposed transfer by us of all or a specified portion of the Specified Securities (or interests therein).
- 11. <u>Continuing Representation; Reliance</u>. We acknowledge and agree that the representations, warranties, acknowledgments and agreements contained in this Certificate shall be deemed made on each day from the date we make such representations, warranties, acknowledgments and agreements through and including the

date on which we dispose of the Specified Securities (or our interests therein). We understand and agree that the information supplied in this Certificate will be used and relied upon by the Issuer and the Trustee to determine that Benefit Plan Investors own or hold less than 25% of the total value of the Specified Securities upon any subsequent transfer of the Specified Securities in accordance with the Indenture.

12. Further Acknowledgement and Agreement. We acknowledge and agree that (i) all of the representations, warranties and assurances contained in this Certificate are for the benefit of the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser and the Portfolio Manager as third party beneficiaries hereof, (ii) copies of this Certificate and any information contained herein may be provided to the Issuer, the Trustee, the Initial Purchaser, the Portfolio Manager, affiliates of any of the foregoing parties and to each of the foregoing parties' respective counsel for purposes of making the determinations described above and (iii) any acquisition or transfer of the Specified Securities (or any interest therein) by us that is not in accordance with the provisions of this Certificate shall be null and void from the beginning, and of no legal effect.

13. Future Transfer Requirements.

<u>Transferee Letter and its Delivery</u>. We acknowledge and agree that we may not transfer any Specified Securities in the form of Certificated Notes to any person unless the Issuer and the Trustee have received a certificate substantially in the form of this Certificate. Any attempt to transfer in violation of this section will be null and void from the beginning, and of no legal effect.

<u>Note</u>: Unless you are notified otherwise, the name and address of the Issuer and the Trustee are as follows:

Trustee

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Issuer

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda

Attention: The Directors

Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Email: ags-ky-structured-finance@global-ags.com

With a copy to:

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Facsimile Number: 646-786-5001

Attention: General Counsel

FORM OF NOTE OWNER CERTIFICATE

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor

Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

U.S. Bank National Association, LP, as Collateral Administrator 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor

Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda Attention: The Directors

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC c/o Puglisi & Associates 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204 Newark, Delaware 19711

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022 Facsimile: (646) 786-5001

Re: Reports Prepared Pursuant to the Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024, among Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (the "Indenture").

Ladies and Gentlemen:

The undersigned hereby certifies that it is the beneficial owner of U.S.\$______ in principal or notional amount of the Class of Notes described below (*check the box that applies*):

Class A-1 Notes

Class A-J Notes

Class B-1 Notes

Class B-F Notes

Class C-1 Notes

Class C-F Notes

Class D-1 Notes

Class D-J Notes

Class E-1 Notes

Class E-F Notes

Subordinated Notes

The undersigned hereby requests the Trustee grant it access, via a protected password, to the Information Agent's website in order to view postings of (*check the applicable boxes below*):

17g-5 Information specified in Section 7.20 of the Indenture Monthly Report specified in Section 10.6(a) of the Indenture Distribution Report specified in Section 10.6(b) of the Indenture

The undersigned acknowledges the terms of Section 14.15 of the Indenture and agrees to maintain the confidentiality of Confidential Information (as defined in Section 14.15 of the Indenture) in accordance with the terms of Section 14.15 of the Indenture. This certificate shall be construed in accordance with, and this certificate and all matters arising out of or relating in any way whatsoever (whether in contract, tort or otherwise) to this certificate shall be governed by, the law of the State of New York.

[signature pages follow]

in witness wh	IEREOF, the undersigned has caused this certificate to be duly executed this,
	[NAME OF BENEFICIAL OWNER]
	By:
	Name:
	Title: Authorized Signatory
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Tel.:	
Fax.	

FORM OF CONTRIBUTION NOTICE¹

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, as Trustee 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

U.S. Bank National Association, as Collateral Administrator 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor

Chicago, Illinois, 60603

Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd.

Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda Attention: The Directors Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Apex Credit Partners LLC 520 Madison Avenue New York, NY 10022

Facsimile: (646) 786-5001

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is made to the Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024 among Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (as amended, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Indenture</u>"). Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the meanings given to them in the Indenture.

The undersigned her	beby certifies that it is the [beneficial owner] [Holder] of U.S.
\$[] in princip	pal amount of the Subordinated Notes of Apex Credit CLO 2024-1
Ltd.	
and hereby notifies the Issuer	and the Portfolio Manager that it proposes to make a Contribution
<u> </u>] [from [Interest] [Principal] Proceeds that would otherwise be
distributed on its Subordinate	ed Notes under the Priority of Payments] on [], 20[], pursuant
to Section 14.19 of the Inden	ture. In addition, the undersigned acknowledges and agrees that no

¹ Contribution Notice to be delivered at least three Business Days prior to the related Payment Date.

Contribution or portion thereof will be returned to the Contributor at any time other than by operation of the Priority of Payments.

If accepted in accordance with the Indenture, such Contribution will be sent in accordance with the following wire instructions:

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association				
ABA#: []				
Account Name: [Ape	x Credit CLO	O 2024-I Ltd	1.]	
A/C #: []				
FFC: []				
Ref: [Apex	Credit	CLO	2024-I	Ltd.
Contribution]				

The undersigned has attached hereto a properly completed and signed applicable U.S. federal income tax certifications (general, a U.S. Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") Form W-9, or applicable successor form, in the case of a person that is a "United States Person" (within the meaning of the code) or an IRS Form W-8 or applicable successor form, in the case of a person that is not a United States Person" (within the meaning of the Code)).

The undersigned agrees to provide to the Issuer, the Portfolio Manager and the Trustee any information reasonably requested for the purpose of confirming beneficial ownership.

[signature page follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the uncthis [] day of [].	dersigned has caused this notice to be duly executed
	[NAME OF CONTRIBUTOR]
Authoriz	By: zed Signature
[Name of Contributor] [Address] Tel. No.: Facsimile No.: Email:	
ACCEPTED BY:	
APEX CREDIT PARTNERS LLC	
By:Name: Title:	

EXHIBIT E

[RESERVED]

ADVISORY COMMITTEE GUIDELINES

1. General.

The Advisory Committee will have the functions contemplated in the Indenture, the Portfolio Management Agreement and in the Advisory Committee Member Agreements entered into in connection with the appointments of the Advisory Committee members to the Advisory Committee, including having the power (upon request and if so decided by the Advisory Committee members) to approve (i) the purchase of any Collateral Obligation (A) with respect to which the Portfolio Manager and/or an Affiliate acted as an underwriter, originator, structurer or placement agent or (B) from the related issuer of which the Portfolio Manager or Affiliate, as applicable, received any compensation in consideration of such actions or services described in clause (A) and (ii) the purchase or sale of any Collateral Obligation in a transaction that requires notice to the Issuer and the consent of the Issuer pursuant to Section 206(3) of the Advisers Act (each such transaction, a "Restricted Transaction").

2. Composition of the Advisory Committee.

The Advisory Committee must be comprised of at least one Person (which may be an individual or an entity). No Advisory Committee member may be an Affiliate of the Portfolio Manager.

3. Requisite Experience.

Each member of the Advisory Committee must at the time of appointment and at all relevant times thereafter have experience as a sophisticated investor, including, without limitation, in fixed income investing (directly and/or through investment vehicles) and/or substantial financial and commercial experience and knowledge in and of the loan market and related investment arenas, such that the relevant Advisory Committee member believes that it is capable of determining whether or not to participate in Advisory Committee decisions on the basis of the provisions described herein (the "Requisite Experience"). Such person need not be a professional loan investor or loan originator. The Portfolio Manager and the Issuer will have the right to accept a representation and warranty from an Advisory Committee member regarding its Requisite Experience, in the absence of actual knowledge by a responsible officer of the Portfolio Manager to the contrary.

4. Appointment of Initial Members of the Advisory Committee.

The initial Advisory Committee member will be appointed by the Portfolio Manager.

5. Removal of Members of the Advisory Committee; Replacement of Members of the Advisory Committee.

Additional Advisory Committee members may be recommended and proposed by the Portfolio Manager at any time; provided that (i) each such additional Advisory Committee member must

have the Requisite Experience and (ii) the addition of any additional Advisory Committee member must be approved by at least a Majority of the Subordinated Notes.

A Majority of the Subordinated Notes will have the right to appoint or remove an Advisory Committee member. If an Advisory Committee member is removed, dies or resigns, a replacement Advisory Committee member may be proposed by the Portfolio Manager and appointed by a Majority of the Subordinated Notes.

The Issuer will have the right to remove any Advisory Committee member for "Cause," but such removal will be subject to the appointment of a successor Advisory Committee member.

For purposes of these Advisory Committee Guidelines, "Cause" shall be deemed to have occurred only upon the happening of any of the following events:

- the occurrence of any act constituting a willful breach, fraud or criminal felony (a) offense in respect of the Advisory Committee member's activity in the performance of its obligations under these Advisory Committee Guidelines or the Advisory Committee Member Agreement;
- (b) the indictment of the Advisory Committee member (or any officer or director thereof who has direct supervisory responsibility for the Advisory Committee member's activities in the performance of its obligations under these Advisory Committee Guidelines or the Advisory Committee Member Agreement) for fraud, false statements or omissions, wrongful taking of property, bribery, forgery, counterfeiting or extortion;
- (c) the Advisory Committee member's failure to substantially perform its duties hereunder and/or under its Advisory Committee Member Agreement with the Issuer in respect of its service on the Advisory Committee;
- any of the Advisory Committee member's representations and warranties set forth (d) in the Advisory Committee Member Agreement becomes untrue in any material respect; or
- the Advisory Committee member fails to respond to a notice provided by the (e) Portfolio Manager with respect to a Restricted Transaction within five Business Days after such notice or if the Advisory Committee member is not available to consider a Restricted Transaction within five Business Days after such notice.

6. Term; Resignation of Members of the Advisory Committee.

Each member of the Advisory Committee will serve until he or she resigns, dies or is removed. Each member of the Advisory Committee will have the right to resign at any time, and such resignation will not be subject to the appointment of a replacement member.

7. **Approval Process.**

If the Portfolio Manager wants the Issuer to consider a Restricted Transaction, the Portfolio Manager shall give notice of the proposed Restricted Transaction to the members of the Advisory Committee. The notice shall contain the request by the Portfolio Manager for the Advisory Committee's consent to the Restricted Transaction. The notice shall be accompanied by:

- an investment memorandum and
- an underwriting analysis.

The "investment memorandum" and "underwriting analysis" means for this purpose (a) a reasonably detailed description of the proposed investment, the obligor thereof and related information, (b) information about the identity of any affiliated entity involved in the proposed investment and the capacity in which it will be acting and (c) such other information as the Portfolio Manager believes supports its judgment that the investment is appropriate to be purchased or sold by the Issuer, as the case may be (collectively, the "Restricted Trade Information Package"). The notice shall contain the Portfolio Manager's offer to provide additional information as reasonably requested by the Advisory Committee.

So long as all requisite items of the Restricted Trade Information Package have been delivered, the Advisory Committee shall be entitled to determine on such basis that the proposed Restricted Transaction is being conducted on an arms' length basis for fair market value and may, subject to the following sentence, provide consent to the Portfolio Manager for the proposed Restricted Transaction. Notwithstanding the foregoing sentence, the Advisory Committee may refuse to consent to any Restricted Transaction if (A) the Advisory Committee has actual knowledge or has received a notice that any aspect of the Restricted Trade Information Package is false or (B) such Restricted Transaction would cause the Issuer, the Board of Directors, the Advisory Committee or the Portfolio Manager to violate any law, statute or regulation (or fiduciary obligations required thereunder) to which the Issuer, the Board of Directors, the Advisory Committee or the Portfolio Manager is subject. With respect to issues of illegality, the Advisory Committee shall be entitled to seek legal advice, the cost of which will be an Administrative Expense. Members of the Advisory Committee shall not incur any liability for adhering to the foregoing procedures in respect of Restricted Transactions or for any determinations made in respect thereof.

So long as the Issuer is relying on the Advisory Committee to approve a Restricted Transaction, if at any time the Advisory Committee does not have at least one member with Requisite Experience, the Issuer will not engage in any such Restricted Transaction.

8. Unanimous Written Consent.

Regardless of the composition of the Advisory Committee, each Restricted Transaction must be approved in writing by each member of the Advisory Committee. The members of the Advisory Committee are under no obligation to consent to a Restricted Transaction. If all of the members of the Advisory Committee approve a Restricted Transaction in writing, the Issuer will effect it

at the option of the Portfolio Manager (subject to any other applicable restriction in the Indenture or the Portfolio Management Agreement). If the members of the Advisory Committee notify the Portfolio Manager that the Advisory Committee will not approve the Restricted Transaction, the Issuer will not effect the Restricted Transaction.

9. Compensation; Indemnification.

Each member of the Advisory Committee will receive arm's length compensation by the Issuer, subject to the Priority of Payments, for serving on the Advisory Committee as determined by the Issuer to be a reasonable amount commensurate with the responsibilities of such Advisory Committee member, based upon available information for comparable service providers.

Pursuant to the applicable Advisory Committee Member Agreement, each member of the Advisory Committee will be entitled to indemnification from the Issuer, subject to the Priority of Payments, and broad exculpation provisions, i.e., each member shall have no liability except for such member's willful misconduct, fraud or gross negligence.

10. Notices, Consents, Approvals, etc.

All notices, consents, approvals, requests, demands or other communications required or permitted hereunder or under the Advisory Committee Member Agreement shall be in writing and deemed to have been properly given when sent by telecopy or electronic mail or other electronic means, addressed to the applicable party at the address set forth in the applicable Advisory Committee Member Agreement.

FORM OF NRSRO CERTIFICATION

[Date]

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. c/o Appleby Global Corporate Services (Bermuda) Ltd. Canon's Court, 22 Victoria Street Hamilton, HM 12, Bermuda Attention: The Directors Telephone no.: +1 441-298-3300

Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC c/o Puglisi & Associates 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204 Newark, Delaware 19711

U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association, 190 South LaSalle Street, 8th Floor Chicago, Illinois, 60603 Attention: Global Corporate Trust—Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. Email: Apex.Credit.CLO.2024.I@usbank.com

Attention: Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd. and Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC

In accordance with the requirements for obtaining certain information pursuant to the Indenture, dated as of March 7, 2024 (the "<u>Indenture</u>"), by and among Apex Credit CLO 2024-I Ltd., (the "<u>Issuer</u>"), as Issuer, Apex Credit CLO 2024-I LLC, as Co-Issuer, and U.S. Bank Trust Company, National Association (the "<u>Trustee</u>"), as Trustee, the undersigned hereby certifies and agrees as follows:

- 1. The undersigned, a Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization, has provided the Issuer with the appropriate certifications under Rule 17g-5(e) as promulgated under the Exchange Act.
 - 2. The undersigned has access to the Information Agent's Website.
- 3. The undersigned shall be deemed to have recertified to the provisions herein each time it accesses the 17g-5 Information on the Information Agent's Website.

Capitalized terms used but not defined herein shall have the respective meanings assigned thereto in the Indenture.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused its name to be signed hereto by its duly authorized signatory, as of the day and year written above.

Nationally Recognized Statistical Rating Organization
Name: Title:
Company: Phone: Email: