

CARLYLE US CLO 2018-1, LTD. CARLYLE US CLO 2018-1, LLC

NOTICE OF PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE

NOTE: THIS NOTICE CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT IS OF INTEREST TO THE REGISTERED AND BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE SUBJECT NOTES. IF APPLICABLE, ALL DEPOSITORIES, CUSTODIANS, AND OTHER INTERMEDIARIES RECEIVING THIS NOTICE ARE REQUESTED TO EXPEDITE RE-TRANSMITTAL TO THE BENEFICIAL OWNERS OF THE NOTES IN A TIMELY MANNER.

July 15, 2020

Class Designation	CUSIP* <u>Rule 144A</u>	ISIN* <u>Rule 144A</u>	Common Code* <u>Reg. S.</u>	CUSIP* <u>Reg. S.</u>	ISIN* <u>Reg. S.</u>	CUSIP* <u>AI</u>	ISIN* <u>AI</u>
CLASS A-1 NOTES	14311XAA0	US14311XAA00	181305134	G2003LAA7	USG2003LA A73	N/A	N/A
CLASS A-2 NOTES	14311XAC6	US14311XAC65	181305215	G2003LAB5	USG2003LA B56	N/A	N/A
CLASS B NOTES	14311XAE2	US14311XAE22	181305231	G2003LAC3	USG2003LA C30	N/A	N/A
CLASS C NOTES	14311XAG7	US14311XAG79	181305258	G2003LAD1	USG2003LA D13	N/A	N/A
CLASS D NOTES	14311YAA8	US14311YAA82	181305274	G2003MAA5	USG2003M AA56	N/A	N/A
SUBORDINATED NOTES	14311YAC4	US14311YAC49	181305312	G2003MAB3	USG2003M AB30	14311YA D2	US14311YA D22
SUBORDINATED NOTES (CARLYLE)	14311YAE0	US14311YAE05	N/A	G2003MAC1	USG2003M AC13	14311YAF 7	US14311YA F79

To: The Holders described as:

To: Those Additional Addressees Listed on Schedule I hereto

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Reference is hereby made to that certain Indenture dated as of May 30, 2018 (as supplemented, amended or modified from time to time, the "Indenture"), among CARLYLE US

^{*} No representation is made as to the correctness of the CUSIP or ISIN numbers or Common Codes either as printed on the Notes or as contained in this notice. Such numbers are included solely for the convenience of the Noteholders.

CLO 2018-1, LTD., as issuer (the "Issuer"), CARLYLE US CLO 2018-1, LLC, as co-issuer (the "Co-Issuer") and U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as trustee. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Indenture.

In accordance with Section 8.3(c) of the Indenture, the Trustee hereby notifies you of that certain proposed First Supplemental Indenture (the "<u>Supplemental Indenture</u>"), which will supplement the Indenture according to its terms and which will be executed, pursuant to Section 8.2(a) of the Indenture, by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee upon satisfaction of all conditions precedent set forth in the Indenture. A copy of the Supplemental Indenture is attached as Exhibit A.

The Supplemental Indenture shall not become effective until all of the following have occurred: (i) execution by the Co-Issuers and the Trustee of the Supplemental Indenture and (ii) the satisfaction of all other conditions precedent to the execution of the Supplemental Indenture set forth in the Indenture.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE FOREGOING IS NOT INTENDED AND SHOULD NOT BE CONSTRUED AS INVESTMENT, ACCOUNTING, FINANCIAL, LEGAL OR TAX ADVICE BY OR ON BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEE OR ITS RESPECTIVE DIRECTORS, OFFICERS, AFFILIATES, AGENTS, ATTORNEYS OR EMPLOYEES. THE TRUSTEE MAKES NO RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE HOLDERS OF NOTES AS TO ANY ACTION TO BE TAKEN OR NOT TO BE TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH THE SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE OR OTHERWISE AND ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE CONTENTS, SUFFICIENCY OR VALIDITY OF THE DESCRIPTION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE ATTACHED HERETO.

Should you have any questions, please contact Annye Hua at (713) 212-3709 or at annye.hua@usbank.com.

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

EXHIBIT A

Supplemental Indenture

This **FIRST SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE** (this "<u>Supplemental Indenture</u>"), dated as of [__], 2020, to the Indenture dated May 30, 2018 among Carlyle US CLO 2018-1, Ltd., an exempted company incorporated with limited liability under the laws of the Cayman Islands (the "<u>Issuer</u>"), Carlyle US CLO 2018-1, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company (the "<u>Co-Issuer</u>" and, together with the Issuer, the "<u>Co-Issuers</u>"), and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee (together with its successors in such capacity, the "<u>Trustee</u>") (as amended, restated, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Indenture</u>"). This Supplemental Indenture is entered into by and among the Co-Issuers and the Trustee. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Supplemental Indenture have the meanings set forth in the Indenture.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 8.2(a) of the Indenture, with the consent of a Majority of the Notes of each Class materially and adversely affected thereby, if any, the Trustee and the Co-Issuers may execute an indenture supplemental to the Indenture to add any provisions to, or change in any manner or eliminate any of the provisions of, the Indenture or modify in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Notes of any Class under the Indenture (with certain exceptions as set forth in Section 8.2 of the Indenture);

WHEREAS, the Co-Issuers wish to amend the Indenture as set forth in this Supplemental Indenture to make the changes described herein;

WHEREAS, notice and a copy substantially in the form of this Supplemental Indenture has been delivered to the Collateral Manager, the Collateral Administrator, the Rating Agencies, any hedge counterparty and the Holders of the Notes at least 15 Business Days prior to the execution of this Supplemental Indenture in accordance with the provisions of Section 8.3 of the Indenture;

WHEREAS, the Co-Issuers have determined that no Class of Notes shall be materially and adversely affected hereby and consent of the Holders of Notes of any Class shall not be required in connection with this Supplemental Indenture; and

WHEREAS, the conditions set forth for entry into a supplemental indenture pursuant to Section 8.2(a) of the Indenture have been satisfied;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements herein set forth, the parties agree as follows:

Section 1. <u>Amendments to the Indenture</u>. Effective as of the date hereof, the following amendments are made to the Indenture:

(a) Each reference to the term "settlement date" in Sections 1.2(t) and 10.7(a) of the Indenture is hereby replaced with "trade date".

Section 2. <u>Governing Law</u>.

THIS SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURE SHALL BE CONSTRUED IN ACCORDANCE WITH AND BE GOVERNED BY THE LAW OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK.

Section 3. <u>Execution in Counterparts</u>.

This Supplemental Indenture (and each related document, modification and waiver in respect of this Supplemental Indenture) may be executed in any number of counterparts (including by facsimile or electronic transmission (including .pdf file, .jpeg file or any electronic signature complying with the U.S. federal ESIGN Act of 2000, including Orbit, Adobe Sign, or DocuSign, or any other similar platform identified by the Issuer and reasonably available at no undue burden or expense to the Trustee)), each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original, but all such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument. Delivery of an executed counterpart of this Supplemental Indenture by any such electronic means will be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Supplemental Indenture and shall have the same legal validity and enforceability as a manually executed signature to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law. Any electronically signed document delivered via email from a person purporting to be an authorized officer shall be considered signed or executed by such authorized officer on behalf of the applicable person and will be binding on all parties hereto to the same extent as if it were manually executed. 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.

Section 4. <u>Concerning the Trustee</u>.

The recitals contained in this Supplemental Indenture shall be taken as the statements of the Co-Issuers, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for their correctness. 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 5. <u>No Other Changes</u>.

Except as provided herein, the Indenture shall remain unchanged and in full force and effect, and each reference to the Indenture and words of similar import in the Indenture, as amended hereby, shall be a reference to the Indenture as amended hereby and as the same may be further amended, supplemented and otherwise modified and in effect from time to time.

Section 6. <u>Execution, Delivery and Validity</u>.

Each of the Co-Issuers represents and warrants to the Trustee that this Supplemental Indenture has been duly and validly executed and delivered by it and constitutes its legal, valid and binding obligation, enforceable against it in accordance with its terms.

Section 7. <u>Effectiveness; Binding Effect</u>.

The modifications to be effected pursuant to Section 1 above shall become effective as of the date first written above and counterparts hereof shall have been executed and delivered by the parties hereto. This Supplemental Indenture shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

Section 8. <u>Direction to Trustee</u>.

The Issuer hereby directs the Trustee to execute this Supplemental Indenture and acknowledges and agrees that the Trustee will be fully protected in relying upon the foregoing direction.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed and delivered this First Supplemental Indenture as of the date first written above.

EXECUTED AS A DEED BY

CARLYLE US CLO 2018-1, LTD., as Issuer

By:			
Name:			
Title:			

In the presence of:

Witness: Name: Title:

CARLYLE US CLO 2018-1, LLC, as Co-Issuer

By:_____ Name: Donald J. Puglisi Title: Manager

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, as Trustee

By:_____ Name: Title: Agreed and Consented to:

CARLYLE CLO MANAGEMENT L.L.C.,

as Collateral Manager

By:_____ Name: Title:

SCHEDULE I

Additional Addressees

Issuer:

Carlyle US CLO 2018-1, Ltd.

c/o Walkers Fiduciary Limited Cayman Corporate Centre 27 Hospital Road George Town Grand Cayman KY1-9008 Cayman Islands Attention: The Directors Email: fiduciary@walkersglobal.com

Co-Issuer:

Carlyle US CLO 2018-1, LLC

c/o Puglisi & Associates 850 Library Avenue, Suite 204 Newark, Delaware 19711 Attention: Manager Email: dpuglisi@puglisiassoc.com

Rating Agencies:

Fitch Ratings, Inc. Email: cdo.surveillance@fitchratings.com

Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

Email: cdomonitoring@moodys.com

Collateral Manager:

Carlyle CLO Management L.L.C. 1001 Pennsylvania Ave. NW, Suite 220 South Washington, D.C. 20004 Attention: Justin Plouffe

Carlyle CLO Management L.L.C.

520 Madison Avenue New York, New York 10022 Attention: Linda Pace Regarding: Carlyle US CLO 2018-1, Ltd.

Collateral Administrator:

U.S. Bank National Association 8 Greenway Plaza, Suite 1100 Houston, Texas 77046 Attention: Global Corporate Trust – Carlyle US CLO 2018-1

Cayman Stock Exchange:

The Cayman Islands Stock Exchange Listing, PO Box 2408 Grand Cayman, KY1-1105, Cayman Islands Email: listing@csx.ky; csx@csx.ky

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