

IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
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CHAPTER 11

ORDER  
CONFIRMING DEBTOR(S)' PLAN OF REORGANIZATION  
PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 1191(b)

The Court held a hearing (the “Confirmation Hearing”) to consider confirmation of the subchapter V plan of reorganization, ECF No. \_\_\_\_ (the “Plan”) filed by \_\_\_\_\_ (the “Debtor(s)”). Having considered the Plan, testimony, declarations, ballot summary, liquidation analysis and other evidence admitted at the Confirmation Hearing, the arguments of counsel and the applicable legal authorities, the Court hereby confirms the Plan and makes and issues the following findings of fact and conclusions of law (the “Confirmation Order”).<sup>1</sup>

I. JURISDICTION, VENUE & CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY

This Court holds jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334, which provides “the district courts shall have original and exclusive jurisdiction of all cases under title 11 or arising in or related to cases under title 11.” Section 157 allows a district court to “refer” all bankruptcy and related cases to the bankruptcy court, wherein the latter court will appropriately preside over the matter.<sup>2</sup>

This Court determines that pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A) and (L) this proceeding involves

<sup>1</sup> Capitalized terms not defined herein shall have the meaning set forth in the Plan. All statutory references are to the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101, *et seq.*, unless otherwise indicated.

<sup>2</sup> 28 U.S.C. § 157(a); *see also In re Order of Reference to Bankruptcy Judges*, Gen. Order 2012-6 (S.D. Tex. May 24, 2012).

primarily core matters as it “concern[s] the administration of the estate and confirmation of a chapter 11 plan.”<sup>3</sup> Furthermore, this Court may only hear a case in which venue is proper. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1409(a), “a proceeding arising under title 11 or arising in or related to a case under title 11 may be commenced in the district court in which such case is pending.” Debtor(s) main chapter 11 case is presently pending in this Court and therefore, venue of this proceeding is proper. The pending matter before this Court is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2)(A) and (L). Accordingly, this Court concludes that the narrow limitation imposed by *Stern* does not prohibit this Court from entering a final order.<sup>4</sup>

## II. FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

This Court makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 52. To the extent that any finding of fact constitutes a conclusion of law, it is adopted as such. To the extent that any conclusion of law constitutes a finding of fact, it is adopted as such. This Court made certain oral findings and conclusions on the record. This order supplements those findings and conclusions. If there is an inconsistency, this Order controls.

On [Click or tap to enter a date.](#) (the “*Petition Date*”), the Debtor(s) commenced this bankruptcy case (the “*Case*”) by filing a voluntary petition for relief under subchapter V of chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtor has continued as a Debtor in possession pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1108 and 1184

On [Click or tap to enter a date.](#), the Office of the United States Trustee filed a Notice of Appointment of Subchapter V Trustee, ECF No. \_\_\_\_\_, appointing \_\_\_\_\_ as the subchapter V trustee (the “*Subchapter V Trustee*”) pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1183(a).

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<sup>3</sup> 11 U.S.C. § 157(b)(2).

<sup>4</sup> *Stern v. Marshall*, 564 U.S. 462 (2011).

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As of the petition date, the Debtor was and continues to be eligible for relief under 11 U.S.C. § 109 and subchapter V of the Bankruptcy Code, and the Debtor is the proper proponent of the Plan under 11 U.S.C. § 1189.

The Debtor complied with 11 U.S.C. §1189(b). The Plan is dated and identifies the entity submitting it, thereby satisfying Bankruptcy Rule 3016(a). The Plan and Confirmation Hearing Notice were each transmitted and served in compliance with the applicable provisions of the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules.

The solicitation of the Plan complied with the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules, was appropriate and satisfactory based upon the circumstances of the Case, was conducted in good faith, and was in compliance with 11 U.S.C. §§ 1125, 1126, and all other applicable sections of the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules.

All parties required to be given notice of the bankruptcy, all deadlines in the Case, the Plan, and the Confirmation Hearing have been provided due, proper, timely, and adequate notice and had an opportunity to appear and be heard with respect thereto. No other or further notice is required.

The Plan complies with 11 U.S.C. § 1190 because it contains a brief history of Debtor's business operations; a liquidation analysis; projections with respect to the Debtor's ability to make the payments under the Plan; and the submission of all or a portion of the subchapter V debtor's post-petition income from future earnings to the supervision and control of the trustee as is necessary for the execution of the plan.

The Debtor, as proponent of the Plan, has meet its burden of proving the applicable elements of 11 U.S.C. §§1191(b) by a preponderance of the evidence.

**[optional if the Debtor is acting as the Disbursing Agent]** The Court specifically finds that there is cause under 11 U.S.C. § 1194(b) for the Debtor to serve as the Disbursing Agent

under the Plan.

Accordingly, it is therefore

**ORDERED:** that

1. The Plan of Reorganization filed by the Debtor on [Click or tap to enter a date](#). (ECF No. \_\_\_\_ ) and attached hereto as **Exhibit A**, is hereby CONFIRMED and approved in each and every respect as a non-consensual plan pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1191(b), with the modifications set forth below (the “*Plan*”). Debtor must contribute [ Enter 36-60 months ] of Projected Disposable Income over the life of the Plan (the “*Plan Period*”). The terms of the Plan are incorporated by reference into and are an integral part of this Confirmation Order. The Plan shall be effective and binding upon entry of this Confirmation Order but subject to the occurrence of the Effective Date. The terms of the Plan and the Debtor’(s) or Reorganized Debtor’(s) entry into any related documents and performance thereunder, including, without limitation, all documents necessary to implement the transactions contemplated under the Plan, are hereby approved and authorized. The Debtor(s) and reorganized Debtor(s) are authorized to take all actions necessary or appropriate to enter into, implement, and consummate the contracts, agreements and other documents contemplated by the Plan.

2. To the extent any objections to confirmation of the Plan have not been resolved or withdrawn, any such objections are hereby overruled.

3. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1183(c)(2), not later than fourteen (14) days after Debtor’s plan is substantially consummated, Debtor must file with the court and serve on the Subchapter V Trustee, the United States Trustee, and all parties in interest notice of such substantial consummation and file such notice with the Clerk of Court.

4. In the event of a conflict between provisions of the Plan and this Confirmation Order, the terms of this Confirmation Order shall control.

5. Within three (3) calendar days after entry of this order, the Debtor must serve notice of entry of this Confirmation Order (“Notice”), pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3020(c). The Notice must be sent to all creditors and parties-in-interest by first class mail, postage prepaid. The Debtor must thereafter promptly file a copy of such Notice with proof of mailing with the Clerk of Court.

6. The provisions of the Plan, and any documents executed in conjunction with the Plan, and this Confirmation Order are effective as of the entry of this Confirmation Order, but subject to the occurrence of the Effective Date, to the fullest extent of applicable law including, without limitation, 11 U.S.C. § 1141, the Plan and this Confirmation Order shall be binding on the Debtor(s); all holders of claims and Interests, irrespective of whether they are Impaired under the Plan and whether or not such holders of claims and Interests voted to accept the Plan; and each person or entity acquiring property under the Plan. The Plan shall apply and be enforceable notwithstanding any otherwise applicable non-bankruptcy law.

7. The following Nonmaterial Plan Modifications are hereby approved:

[insert any applicable nonmaterial plan modifications; note that if nonstandard provisions were already detailed in the Plan itself, they do not need to be repeated here]

8. The [Debtor or Subchapter V Trustee] must make the payments to creditors required by the Plan under 11 U.S.C. § 1194(b) (“Disbursing Agent”) on or before the [] of each [month, quarter, year] (the “Deadline”). After receipt of the plan payments, the Disbursing Agent must distribute plan payments in accordance with the terms of this Order and the Plan before the [] of each [month, quarter, year] until all required payments have been made. If the Debtor fails to make all required plan payments to the Disbursing Agent by the deadline, the Disbursing Agent

must provide notice to Debtor and Debtor's counsel and request payment within seven (7) calendar days of the notice. If Debtor fails to make the required plan payment to the Disbursing Agent within seven (7) calendar days of the notice, the Disbursing Agent must file a notice of default with the Clerk of Court.

9. The Subchapter V Trustee, or other designated disbursing agent, must file, a preliminary report at the conclusion of the six (6) months from entry of the confirmation order and then for the duration of the period in which the Debtor must tender projected disposable income or equivalent values of property under the confirmed plan as required under § 1191(c)(2) (the "*Non-Consensual Commitment Period*"), a status report on each anniversary date of the entry of the confirmation order which outlines the status of payments made by the Debtor and distributed by the Subchapter V Trustee or other designated disbursing agent, in the past year and any other post-confirmation action taken toward consummation of the plan and serve that report upon the master mailing list (matrix) as constituted by the Court on the date of service.

10. Within fourteen (14) calendar days of entry of this Confirmation Order, the Debtor must provide the Disbursing Agent with a list of allowed claims, associated account numbers, the amount of such claims, and the correct mailing address for the Disbursing Agent to send plan payments. If there are any disputed claims, the Debtor must provide a separate list of such disputed claims and an estimated date of resolution. The Debtor must file a certificate of service with the Clerk of Court indicating that the claim information required by this paragraph has been timely served on the Disbursing Agent.

11. Within sixty (60) days from the Effective Date, unless such date is extended by Order of the Bankruptcy Court after notice and hearing, the Debtor may file with the Bankruptcy Court objections to Claims and Equity Interests and shall serve a copy of each such objection upon

the holder of the Claim or Equity Interest to which such objection pertains (“*Disputed or Undetermined Claim*”). Unless arising from an Avoidance Action, any Proof of Claim Filed after the Effective Date shall be of no force and effect and need not be objected to. Any Disputed or Undetermined Claim may be litigated to Final Order. The Debtor may compromise and settle any Disputed or Undetermined Claim without the necessity of any further notice or approval of the Bankruptcy Court, and Bankruptcy Rule 9019 shall not apply to any settlement of a Disputed or Undetermined Claim after the Effective Date. At the time, and to the extent that a Disputed or Undetermined Claim becomes an Allowed Claim, such Allowed Claim shall be entitled to distributions under the Plan. Such Distributions shall be made in the manner provided for by this Plan, or any Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court with respect to such Allowed Clai

12. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, no distributions will be made with respect to a Disputed Claim until the resolution of such dispute by settlement or final order. The provisions of this section are not intended to restrict payment of any allowed claims which are not disputed. Until a disputed claim is resolved, the Disbursing Agent must hold any portion of plan payments that would be disbursed to the claimant if the claim were allowed in full, subject to a final resolution of the disputed claim. Upon resolution in favor of the allowed claim, the Disbursing Agent must distribute withheld funds to the claimant within the next payment period. If the disputed claim is disallowed, the Disbursing Agent must make withheld funds available to allowed claim holders in accordance with the terms of the Plan within the next payment period.

13. Disbursements may be delivered by the Disbursing Agent to (i) the address list provided by the Debtor under paragraph 9; (ii) the address for payment set forth on a proof of claim filed by the claimant or its authorized agent; or (iii) at the address set forth in any written notices of change of address delivered to the Disbursing Agent. If any distribution to a claimant of

an allowed unsecured claim is returned to the Disbursing Agent as undeliverable, no further distributions shall be made to such claimant unless and until the Disbursing Agent is notified in writing of such claimant's correct mailing address, at which time all currently due distributions must be made to such claimant as soon as practicable. Undeliverable distributions must remain in the possession of the Disbursing Agent until such time as a distribution becomes deliverable and must not be supplemented with any interest, dividends, or other accruals of any kind. If, despite reasonable effort, the Disbursing Agent is unable to obtain the information necessary to deliver a distribution within six (6) months following the return of the undeliverable distribution, the Disbursing Agent must deposit the amount with the Clerk of the Court in accordance with 11 U.S.C. § 347(a).

14. The Subchapter V Trustee must file all reports required by 11 U.S.C. §§ 1183(b)(1) and 704(a)(9) in the manner prescribed by the United States Trustee Program.

15. At the conclusion of the Plan Period and upon completion of Plan payments during such time, the Subchapter V Trustee or other disbursing agent as set forth in the confirmed plan or confirmation order must file, with the Clerk of Court, a notice of completion of plan payments which documents that all payments of projected disposable income or equivalent values of property by the Debtor under the confirmed plan as required under § 1191(c)(2) have been completed and that all other prerequisites for the entry of an order of discharge pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1192 have been fulfilled (“*Notice of Plan Completion*”).

16. Within thirty (30) calendar days of the filing of the Notice of Plan Completion, the Debtor must file a motion for entry of discharge and a motion for final decree.

17. Debtor must request a hearing date on all final motions including a motion for final decree.



18. The Subchapter V Trustee must be compensated for their post-confirmation duties at their approved hourly rate and paid from the quarterly Disposable Income. The amount of Disposable Income distributed or reserved to creditors will be net of the Disposable Income remitted by the Debtor to the [Subchapter V Trustee/or other defined term]. The [Subchapter V Trustee's/or other defined term] fees and expenses shall be disclosed in the quarterly report filed with the Court. All parties in interest will have 21 days after the quarterly report is filed to object to the [Subchapter V Trustee's/or other defined term] fees and expenses disclosed therein. If no objection is received, the [Subchapter V Trustee/or other defined term] may disburse [his/her] fees and expenses from the Disposable Income without further order of the Court.

19. The Subchapter V Trustee must file a post-confirmation final fee application within fourteen (14) calendar days of the motion for final decree under Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3022, which shall include all compensation received and disclosed in the quarterly reports filed with the Court. All post-confirmation fees paid to the Subchapter V Trustee are subject to refund until approved by a final, non-appealable order.

20. Upon completion of the Plan, the Subchapter V Trustee must file with the Clerk of Court a Report of No Distribution (NDR) or Final Report (TFR).

21. After the filing of the Subchapter V Trustee's final report and resolution of any objection thereto, the Subchapter V Trustee will be discharged, the Subchapter V Trustee's bond will be cancelled, and the case will be closed.

22. All of the Debtor's(s) assets shall be granted, released, assigned, conveyed, transferred, and delivered as of the Effective Date to the Reorganized Debtor(s) pursuant to 11 U.S.C. §§ 1123(a)(5)(B) and 1123(b)(3)(B) and in accordance with the Plan and Confirmation Order, and as of the Effective Date, free and clear of any and all liens, claims, encumbrances, and interests (legal,

beneficial, or otherwise) of all other persons and governmental units to the maximum extent contemplated by and permissible under 11 U.S.C. § 1141(c) for the uses and purposes as specified in the Plan and this Confirmation Order. If this case is later converted to a case under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code, all assets of the debtor shall revert in the chapter 7 estate and be subject to administration by a chapter 7 trustee.

23. The failure to specifically describe or include any particular provision of the Plan in this Confirmation Order shall not diminish or impair the effectiveness of such provision, it being the intent of the Court that the Plan be approved and confirmed in its entirety subject to the modifications set forth herein. Each provision of the Plan shall be deemed authorized and approved by this Confirmation Order, subject to the modifications set forth herein, and shall have the same binding effect of every other provision in the Plan, whether or not mentioned in this Confirmation Order.

24. The Debtor and its respective agents and attorneys are hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to carry out the provisions of the Plan and to perform the acts and execute and deliver the documents as are necessary or appropriate in connection with the Plan and this Order.

25. Nothing in this Confirmation Order or the Plan shall in any way operate to, or have the effect of, impairing or extinguishing in any respect any causes of action disclosed on Debtor's schedules or arising under chapter 5 of the Bankruptcy Code or any other claims or defenses owned by the Debtor on the Effective Date, and the Debtor shall retain such claims as provided in the Plan, including any claims or defenses that may not have been defined in the Plan but are nonetheless owned by the Debtor on or before the Effective Date. After the Effective Date, the

Debtor may, in accordance with the provisions of the Plan, evaluate and determine whether to pursue any such retained claims.

26. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, all payments and other distributions to be made under the Plan shall be timely and proper if mailed by first class mail on or before the date of distribution provided for in the Plan to the address listed in the creditor's proof of claim filed in this case, or, if no proof of claim is filed, to the creditor's last known mailing address.

27. As soon as practicable after completion by the Debtor of all payments due within the first 3 years of the plan, or such longer period not to exceed 5 years as the court may fix, unless the court approves a written waiver of discharge executed by the Debtor after the order for relief under this chapter, the court shall grant the Debtor a discharge of all debts provided in section 1141(d)(1)(A) of this title, and all other debts allowed under section 503 of this title and provided for in the plan, except any debt (1) on which the last payment is due after the first 3 years of the plan, or such other time not to exceed 5 years fixed by the court; or (2) of the kind specified in 11 U.S.C. § 523(a).

28. The Debtor and all holders of Claims and Interests are bound by the Plan within the meaning of 11 U.S.C. § 1141.

29. The Court shall retain jurisdiction of this case for all purposes provided in 11 U.S.C. §§ 1127(b) and 1142, and Bankruptcy Rule 3020(d).

30. Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 1141(b), except as otherwise provided in the Plan, all the property of the Estate vests in the Debtor. Except as provided in 11 U.S.C. § 1141(d)(2) and (3), and except as otherwise provided in the Plan or in this Confirmation Order, after Confirmation of the Plan, the property dealt with by the Plan is free and clear of all Claims and Interests of creditors.

If the Debtor's bankruptcy case is subsequently converted to Chapter 7, all property of the Debtor shall automatically revert and become property of the bankruptcy estate of the Debtor in the converted Chapter 7 case.

31. Unless a rule of law or procedure is supplied by federal law (including the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules) or unless otherwise specifically stated in the Plan, the laws of the State of Texas, without giving effect to the principles of conflict of laws, shall govern the rights, obligations, construction, and implementation of the Plan, any agreements, documents, instruments, or contracts executed or entered into in connection with the Plan (except as otherwise set forth in those agreements, in which case the governing law of such agreement shall control.

32. This Confirmation Order is a Final Order which shall be effective and enforceable immediately upon entry and its provisions shall be self-executing, and the period in which an appeal must be filed shall commence upon the entry hereof.