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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

PORTLAND DIVISION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

No. 3:16-cv-00438-PK

[PROPOSED] ORDER GRANTING RECEIVER'S MOTION (1) TO SCHEDULE

Plaintiff,

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v.

AEQUITAS MANAGEMENT, LLC; AEQUITAS HOLDINGS, LLC; AEQUITAS COMMERCIAL FINANCE, LLC; AEQUITAS CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC.; AEQUITAS INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC; ROBERT J. JESENIK, BRIAN A. OLIVER; and N. SCOTT GILLIS. FINAL SALE HEARING, (2) TO APPROVE SILVERMINE MEDIA HOLDINGS, LLC, AS STALKING HORSE BIDDER, (3) TO APPROVE BREAK-UP FEE, (4) TO APPROVE BIDDING PROCEDURES, and (5) FOR RELATED RELIEF

Defendants.

This matter having come before the Honorable Paul Papak on Receiver's Motion for Orders: (1) Scheduling Hearing to Approve Sale of Assets; (2) Approving Silvermine Media Holdings, LLC, as Stalking Horse Bidder; (3) Approving Break-Up Fee, (4) Approving Bidding Procedures; and (5) Approving the Sale of Assets Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, Encumbrances and Interests (the "Motion") [Dkt. 600], on the terms set forth in the Purchase Agreement, and the Court, having given all counsel an opportunity to oppose the Motion and being fully advised in the premises, now, therefore,

THE COURT FINDS as follows:

- A. On March 10, 2016, the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") filed a complaint in this Court against the five entity defendants and three individual defendants, Robert J. Jesenik, Brian A. Oliver, and N. Scott Gillis.
- B. On March 16, 2016, pursuant to the Stipulated Interim Order Appointing Receiver, the Receiver was appointed as receiver for the Receivership Entity¹ on an interim basis. On April 14, 2016, pursuant to the Order Appointing Receiver, the Receiver was appointed as receiver of the Receivership Entity on a final basis.

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in this Order shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

- C. Due, timely, and adequate notice of the Motion was given, and such notice was good, sufficient, and appropriate under the circumstances. No other or further notice of the Motion is or shall be required.
- D. The Court having reviewed the Motion, and having considered the presentations of counsel, and having considered any objections filed to the Motion, and it appearing that the relief sought in the Motion is in the best interest of the Receivership Entity and its estate, and for good cause shown,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND DECREED as follows.

- 1. The Bidding Procedures are approved in their entirety. The Bidding Procedures are attached and incorporated as Exhibit 1.
- 2. Silvermine Media Holdings, LLC, is approved as the "Stalking Horse Bidder," per the terms set forth in the Bidding Procedures.
 - 3. The Break-Up Fee is deemed reasonable and is hereby approved.
- 4. The Final Hearing to approve the Sale, including a sale to a Successful Bidder, is hereby scheduled for June , 2018, at .m. (Pacific Time).
- 5. The deadline to file objections to the Motion or entry of the Final Sale Order is May ____, 2018 (the "Objection Deadline"). Any objections to the Motion, including but not limited to objections to entry of the Final Sale Order or the conduct of the Auction, that are not filed with the Court by the Objection Deadline shall be deemed irrevocably waived and withdrawn.
- 6. The deadline to file a reply to any objections to the Motion is the date that is one (1) business day prior to the date set for the Final Hearing.
- 7. Notwithstanding paragraphs 4 and 5 above, if no Qualified Alternative Bids are received by the Receiver by the Bid Deadline, then the Auction and Final Hearing may be cancelled by the Receiver, and the Final Sale Order may be submitted for immediate entry by the
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Court, without further notice or opportunity to be heard.

- 8. All objections to the relief granted in the Motion that have not been withdrawn, waived, settled, or expressly reserved pursuant to the terms of this Order are hereby overruled.
- 9. This Court shall retain jurisdiction over any issues relating to the Motion and to enforce this Order (the "Bid Procedures Order").
- 10. This Order shall be binding in all respects on the Receiver, the Seller Entities, the Stalking Horse Bidder, Qualified Alternative Bidders, all creditors and interest holders of the Receivership Entity, and their successors and assigns.

Dated this day of	ِ <u>,</u> '	2()	l	8	
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United States Magistrate Judge Paul Papak

SUBMITTED BY:

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EXHIBIT 1

Bidding Procedures and Break-Up Fee

- 1. The Receiver¹ shall be entitled to solicit additional offers for the Assigned Interest from prospective bidders (each, an "<u>Alternative Bid</u>") for thirty (30) calendar days following the date of entry of the Bid Procedures Order (the "<u>Notice Period</u>") and, subject to the receipt from the prospective bidders of appropriate confidentiality agreements, provide necessary and requested due diligence to such prospective bidders. The following terms and procedures shall govern the submission of Alternative Bids for the Assigned Interests:
 - (i) <u>Alternative Bid Deadline</u>. Each Alternative Bid must be provided to the Receiver not later than 12:00 Noon Pacific Time on the date that the Notice Period expires (the "<u>Bid Deadline</u>").
 - (ii) <u>Qualified Alternative Bid</u>. The Receiver will consider an Alternative Bid only if the Alternative Bid is a "<u>Qualified Alternative Bid</u>." Without limiting or altering the terms of the Purchase Agreement, to be a Qualified Alternative Bid, an Alternative Bid must:
 - a. identify the proponent of the Alternative Bid and an officer or representative who is duly authorized in all respects to appear, act on behalf of, and legally bind such proponent (an "Authorized Representative");
 - b. provide for the purchase of all of the Assigned Interest, and shall otherwise be on substantially the same or better terms as those set forth in the Purchase Agreement, in the Receiver's sole discretion; provided, however, that an Alternative Bid shall not provide for the payment of a breakup fee or overbid protections because no bidders other than the Stalking Horse Bidder will be entitled to receive a breakup fee and/or any reimbursement of expenses or transaction costs;
 - c. be accompanied by an executed purchase and sale agreement in the form substantially the same as the Purchase Agreement, except that

¹ Capitalized terms not otherwise defined in these Bidding Procedures and Breakup Fee provisions shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Receiver's Motion for Orders: (1) Scheduling Hearing to Approve Sale of Assets; (2) Approving Stalking Horse Bidder; (3) Approving Break-Up Fee; (4) Approving Bidding Procedures; and (5) Approving the Sale of Assets Free and Clear of All Liens, Claim, Encumbrances and Interests (the "Motion"). [Dkt.

- the structure may be changed so long as the cash delivered to the Seller Entities at closing is not less than \$210,000 (subject to any applicable purchase price adjustment), inclusive of the Break-Up Fee;
- d. be a firm offer and not contain any contingencies other than those contained in the Purchase Agreement, to the validity, effectiveness or binding nature of the offer, including without limitation, contingencies for financing, due diligence or inspection;
- e. be accompanied by a cash deposit of not less than \$50,000 and financial information for the prospective bidder, including but not limited to financial statements including the prospective bidder's balance sheet or such other information sufficient to enable the Receiver to determine such bidder's creditworthiness and ability to pay the purchase price and close a sale; provided, however, determination that the bidder has met this qualification shall be in the sole discretion of the Receiver;
- f. be open and irrevocable through the conclusion of the hearing for entry of a Final Sale Order unless (i) extended by agreement of the parties or the terms of these Bidding Procedures, or (ii) the Qualified Alternative Bid is designated a Back-Up Bid, which shall then remain open until twenty (20) calendar days following the date that the Final Sale Order becomes a non-appealable order.
- 2. If the Receiver receives one or more Qualified Alternative Bids, the Receiver shall conduct an auction (the "Auction") at the offices of Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt, 1211 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 1900, Portland, OR 97204 at 10:00 a.m. (Pacific time) on the fifth (5th) business day following the expiration of the Notice Period, or such later time and date and/or such other place as the Receiver shall notify all bidders who have submitted Qualified Alternative Bids (together, "Qualified Alternative Bidders") and the Stalking Horse Bidder. The following procedures will apply to the Auction:
 - (i) Only the following parties and their counsel shall be permitted to attend the Auction: the Stalking Horse Bidder, Qualified Alternative Bidders, and the Receiver. Only the Stalking Horse Bidder and Qualified Alternative Bidders, including through their counsel, shall be permitted to make any additional bids ("Subsequent Bids") at the Auction.
 - (ii) All Qualified Alternative Bidders that desire to participate in the Auction shall have their Authorized Representatives physically present for all

- bidding, each with the understanding that the true identity of each Qualified Alternative Bidder shall be fully disclosed to all other Qualified Alternative Bidders and that all material terms, including but not limited to the amount, of each bid will be fully disclosed to all other bidders throughout the entire Auction.
- (iii) The Receiver will give the Stalking Horse Bidder, all other Qualified Alternative Bidders, and their counsel a copy of the highest and best Qualified Alternative Bid received and copies of all other Qualified Alternative Bids prior to the start of the Auction. In addition, the Receiver will inform the Stalking Horse Bidder and each Qualified Alternative Bidder who has expressed its intent to participate in the Auction of the identity of all Qualified Alternative Bidders that may participate in the Auction.
- (iv) Prior to the start of the Auction the Authorized Representative of the Stalking Horse Bidder and each Qualified Alternative Bidder shall certify, in writing or on the record, as follows:
 - (a) Each bid it makes at the Auction shall, if accepted by the Receiver, constitute a binding and legally enforceable contract of the bidder to timely close a purchase of the Assigned Interests according to the terms of the bid in the event an order of the Court is entered approving a sale based upon such bid.
 - (b) No bids made by the Stalking Horse Bidder or a Qualified Alternative Bidder, whether before or during the Auction, shall be subject to any conditions or contingencies related to due diligence, financing, or any other further approval other than the Authorized Representative present at the Auction.
 - (c) The Authorized Representative present for the Stalking Horse Bidder or a Qualified Alternative Bidder at the Auction has the full power and authority to act on behalf of and to legally bind the Stalking Horse Bidder or such Qualified Alternative Bidder for any bids made, and any agreements entered into at or in connection with the Auction.
 - (d) The Stalking Horse Bidder and each Qualified Alternative Bidder that participates in the Auction shall authorize the Receiver to conditionally accept such bidder's second-highest bid at the Auction as a back—up to the Successful Bid, which shall become binding upon and enforceable against such bidder in the event that the Successful Bid is approved by the Court, but such Successful Bidder fails or otherwise refuses to close its purchase of the Assigned Interests for any reason other than a material failure of

performance by the Seller.

- (e) That the Stalking Horse Bidder and each Qualified Alternative Bidder has at all times proceeded in good faith in submitting its bids, and has not engaged in any collusion with any other person or bidder with respect to the Auction and related proceedings.
- 3. The Receiver shall have reasonable discretion with respect to the conduct of the Auction. Among other things, the Receiver may announce at the Auction additional procedural rules that he determines to be reasonable under the circumstances (e.g. the amount of time allotted to make subsequent alternative bids) for conducting the Auction so long as such additional rules are not materially inconsistent with the Bidding Procedures and the terms, deadlines, and intent of the Purchase Agreement.
 - (i) At the Auction, bidding shall begin with the highest and best Qualified Alternative Bid (the "Initial Overbidder"). The Receiver will identify the Initial Overbidder at the beginning of the Auction. Any subsequent bids must be at least \$10,000 more than the immediately preceding bid and each such increment (including the initial increment over the Purchase Price) must be payable in cash ("Minimum Subsequent Overbid Amount"). In any of its subsequent bids, the Stalking Horse Bidder shall be entitled to credit bid up to the sum of the Breakup Fee, provided that the Stalking Horse Bidder shall recover the sum of the Breakup Fee directly from, and only from, the cash paid by the Successful Bidder in the event that the Court enters a sale order authorizing a sale of the Assigned Interest to a Purchaser other than the Stalking Horse Bidder.
 - (ii) The Auction, at the discretion of the Receiver, shall be recorded by stenographer or other reliable means of preserving the record of the Auction proceedings, and shall continue in one or more rounds of "open cry," or publically announced bidding and shall conclude after each participating bidder has had the opportunity, within any time period specified by the Receiver, to submit an additional Subsequent Bid with full knowledge of the then-existing highest bid.
 - (iii) For the purpose of evaluating the value of the consideration provided by each Subsequent Bid (including any Subsequent Bid by the Stalking Horse Bidder), the value shall be the net cash consideration payable to the Seller after giving effect to the Break-Up Fee that may be payable to the Stalking Horse Bidder under the Purchase Agreement and the Bid Procedures

Order.

- (iv) At the conclusion of the bidding, the Receiver shall announce his determination (pursuant to the following paragraph) as to the bidder (the "Successful Bidder") submitting the highest and best bid (the "Successful Bid"), which shall be submitted to the Court for approval at the Final Hearing. The Stalking Horse Bidder shall be deemed a party-in-interest with standing to appear and be heard in connection with any motions, objections, hearings, or other proceedings related to the Motion, the Purchase Agreement, the Auction, and any Qualified Alternative Bid, Subsequent Bid, or the Successful Bid.
- (v) In determining the Successful Bid to submit to the Court for approval, the Receiver, in his sole discretion and in consultation with his professionals, shall determine whether a Qualified Alternative Bid constitutes a higher and better offer than the bid of the Stalking Horse Bidder. In making that determination, the Receiver may consider any and all factors associated with all Qualified Alternative Bids and Qualified Alternative Bidders, including but not limited to factors such as the likelihood and ability of the proposed Purchaser(s) to immediately consummate and close the proposed transactions, other timing issues, employment issues, overall value of the Qualified Alternative Bids, and any other material factors.
- (vi) The Court shall set a deadline in the Bid Procedures Order for filing objections to the Motion or entry of the Final Sale Order (the "Objection Deadline"). Any objections to the Motion or entry of the Final Sale Order that are not filed with the Court by the Objection Deadline shall be deemed irrevocably waived and withdrawn.
- (vii) If the Receiver does not timely receive any Qualified Alternative Bids, the Receiver shall forthwith cancel the Auction and Final Hearing, and promptly present the Final Sale Order for entry by the Court.
- (viii) If, following the entry of the Final Sale Order approving a sale to the Successful Bidder, such Successful Bidder fails or otherwise refuses to consummate such sale, then the next highest or best bid shall be deemed as the back-up bid (the "Back-Up Bid" and, such bidder, the "Back-Up Bidder") and the Seller will be obligated to effectuate a sale to the Back-Up Bidder subject to the terms of the Back-Up Bid without further order of the Court. The Back-Up Bid shall remain open until twenty (20) calendar days following the date that the Final Sale Order becomes a non-appealable order. All Qualified Alternative Bids (other than the Successful Bid and the Back-Up Bid) shall be deemed rejected by the Receiver on and as of the date of entry of the Final Sale Order by the Court.

4. If (i) the Receiver accepts a Qualified Alternative Bid and the Qualified Alternative Bid transaction closes, or (ii) the Purchaser terminates the Purchase Agreement as a result of a material breach by any Seller Entity of the Purchase Agreement, then Purchaser will be entitled to payment of \$50,000 in cash (the "Break-Up Fee"). The Break-Up Fee shall be due within five (5) days following the earlier to occur of the closing of the sale of the Assigned Interests to a third party bidder and the receipt by the Seller Entities of a written notice of breach that entitles the Purchaser to payment of the Break-Up Fee and is not contested in good faith by the Receiver on behalf of any of the Seller Entities.