# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re

INVIVO THERAPEUTICS CORPORATION, et al., 1

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-10137 (MFW)

(Jointly Administered)

# DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FOR THE JOINT PLAN OF LIQUIDATION OF INVIVO THERAPEUTICS CORPORATION AND INVIVO THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS CORP. PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 11 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This disclosure statement (this "<u>Disclosure Statement</u>") provides information regarding the *Joint Plan of Liquidation of InVivo Therapeutics Corporation and InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp. Pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code* (as may be amended, supplemented, or otherwise modified from time to time, the "<u>Plan</u>"), which the Debtors are seeking to have confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court.<sup>3</sup> A copy of the Plan is attached hereto as <u>Exhibit A</u>. The rules of interpretation set forth in Article I of the Plan shall govern the interpretation of this Disclosure Statement.

The Debtors believe that the Plan is in the best interests of the Debtors' Estates. As such, the Debtors recommends that all holders of Claims entitled to vote accept the Plan by returning their ballots (each, a "Ballot") so as to be actually received by the Claims, Noticing, and Solicitation Agent (as defined herein) no later than May , 2024, at 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). Assuming the requisite acceptances to the Plan are obtained, the Debtors will seek the Bankruptcy Court's approval of the Plan at the Confirmation Hearing.

#### A. Overview of the Plan

The Debtors propose to liquidate under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code. Under chapter 11, a debtor may reorganize or liquidate its businesses for the benefit of its stakeholders. The consummation of a chapter 11 plan of liquidation is the principal objective of these Chapter 11 Cases. A chapter 11 plan sets forth how a debtor will treat claims and equity interests.

The primary objective of the Plan is to maximize the value of recoveries to all holders of Allowed Claims and Interests and generally to distribute all property of the Estates that is or becomes available for distribution generally in accordance with the priorities established by the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors believe that the Plan accomplishes this objective and is in the best interest of the Estates.

A bankruptcy court's confirmation of a chapter 11 plan binds the debtor, any entity or person acquiring property under the plan, any creditor of or equity security holder in a debtor, and any other entities and persons to the extent ordered by the bankruptcy court pursuant to the terms of the confirmed plan, whether or not such entity or person is impaired pursuant to the plan, has voted to accept the plan, or receives or retains any property under the plan. Among other things (subject to certain limited exceptions and except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order), the Confirmation Order will provide for the exclusive treatment of Claims and Interests against the Debtors and substitute the obligations set forth in the Plan for those prebankruptcy Claims and Interests. Under the Plan, Claims and Interests are divided into Classes according to their relative priority and other criteria.

#### Generally speaking, the Plan:

• provides the vesting of all Assets, Available Cash and Retained Causes of Action (including Avoidance Actions) in the Liquidation Trustee, for the purpose of

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Unless otherwise specified herein, capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Plan.

distribution to holders of Claims;

- designates a Liquidation Trustee to wind down the Debtors' affairs, sell any remaining Assets, prosecute, continue or settle certain Retained Causes of Action, pay and reconcile Claims and Interests, and administer the Plan and Liquidation Trust in an efficacious manner; and
- provides for 100 percent recoveries for holders of Administrative Claims, Secured Tax Claims, Priority Tax Claims, Other Priority Claims, Other Secured Claims, General Unsecured Claims and ARE Subordinated Claims.

The Debtors believe that Confirmation of the Plan will avoid the lengthy delay and significant cost of liquidation under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code.

The Plan classifies holders of Claims and Interests according to the type of the holder's Claim or Interest, as more fully described below. Holders of Claims in Class 4 (General Unsecured Claims), Class 5 (ARE Subordinated Claims) and Class 6 (Interests) are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

THERE CAN BE NO ASSURANCE THAT THE ACTUAL CLAIM AMOUNTS WILL NOT BE DIFFERENT, AND PERHAPS SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT, FROM THE ESTIMATES SET FORTH HEREIN. TO THE EXTENT THAT CLAIM AMOUNTS ARE MATERIALLY HIGHER THAN THE ASSUMPTIONS SET FORTH IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT, RECOVERIES TO HOLDERS OF CLASS 4 GENERAL UNSECURED CLAIMS, CLASS 5 ARE SUBORDINATED CLAIMS AND CLASS 6 INTERESTS COULD BE LOWER THAN CURRENTLY ANTICIPATED.

The table beginning on the following page is only a summary of the classification of treatment of Claims and Interests under the Plan. Reference should be made to the entire Disclosure Statement and Plan for a complete description and understanding of the classification and treatment of Claims and Interests.

# SUMMARY OF CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS UNDER THE PLAN

CLAIMS/INTERESTS & DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED ALLOWED CLAIMS	TREATMENT	ESTIMATED RECOVERY
Administrative Claims (unclassified)	\$0.00	Unimpaired	Estimated Recovery Percentage: 100% Form of Recovery: Cash
Priority Tax Claims (unclassified)	\$0.00	Unimpaired	Estimated Recovery Percentage:  100%  Form of Recovery: Cash
Secured Tax Claims (Class 1)	\$0.00	Deemed to	Estimated Recovery Percentage: 100% Form of Recovery: Cash
Other Secured Claims (Class 2)	\$0.00	Unimpaired – Deemed to	Estimated Recovery Percentage: 100% Form of Recovery: Cash
Other Priority Claims (Class 3)	\$0.00	Deemed to	Estimated Recovery Percentage: 100% Form of Recovery: Cash
General Unsecured Claims (Class 4)	\$1,935,701.004	Impaired – Entitled to Vote	Estimated Recovery Percentage:
ARE Subordinated Claims (Class 5)	\$54,527.00	Entitled to Vote	Estimated Recovery Percentage: 100% Form of Recovery: Cash
Interests (Class 6)	3,105,446	Impaired – Entitled to Vote	Estimated Recovery: \$1,296,605 or \$0.417 per share Form of Recovery: Cash

#### **B.** The Plan Structure

Pursuant to the Plan, the Debtors or the Liquidation Trustee will pay or provide for payments of Claims as follows:

- the Debtors or the Liquidation Trustee shall pay Allowed Administrative Claims, Allowed Priority Tax Claims, Allowed Secured Tax Claims, Allowed Other Secured Claims and Allowed Other Priority Claims from the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve;
- the Debtors shall fund the Professional Fee Claim Reserve, which Professional Fee Escrow Account shall be used to pay Allowed Professional Fee Claims;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Represents claims scheduled or filed as of April 7, 2024 and is subject to change based on claims that may be filed arising from contract rejections and claim reconciliation process.

- holders of Allowed Class 4 General Unsecured Claims and Allowed Class 5 ARE Subordinated Claims will receive Beneficial Trust Interests; and
- unless and until all Class 5 ARE Subordinated Claims are paid in full, existing Interests in the Debtors will be cancelled without any distribution to the holders of such Interests.

The Debtors believe that the Plan is in the best interest of the Estate and urges such holders to vote to accept the Plan.

#### C. The Adequacy of this Disclosure Statement

Before soliciting acceptances of a proposed plan, section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code requires a plan proponent to prepare a written disclosure statement containing information of a kind, and in sufficient detail, to enable a hypothetical reasonable investor to make an informed judgment regarding acceptance of a chapter 11 plan. The Debtors submit this Disclosure Statement in accordance with such requirements. This Disclosure Statement includes, without limitation, information about:

- the Debtors' corporate history and structure, business operations, and prepetition capital structure and indebtedness (Sections 2.1 & 2.2);
- the events leading to the Chapter 11 Cases (Section 2.3);
- the significant pleadings Filed in the Chapter 11 Cases and certain relief granted by the Bankruptcy Court in connection therewith (Section 2.4);
- the classification and treatment of Claims and Interests under the Plan, including identification of the holders of Claims entitled to vote, the procedures for voting on the Plan, and projected recoveries (Section 2.5-2.7);
- the method of distribution of any recoveries that may be available to certain holders of Claims pursuant to the Plan, the process for resolving Disputed Claims, and other significant aspects of the Plan (Section 3);
- the releases contemplated by the Plan (Section 3.8);
- the statutory requirements for confirming the Plan (Section 1.2);
- certain risk factors that holders of Claims should consider before voting to accept or reject the Plan and information regarding alternatives to Confirmation of the Plan (Section 7); and
- certain United States federal income tax consequences of the Plan (Section 6).

In light of the foregoing, the Debtors believe that this Disclosure Statement contains "adequate information" to enable a hypothetical reasonable investor to make an informed judgment about the Plan and complies with all aspects of section 1125 of the Bankruptcy Code.

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The Plan and all documents to be executed, delivered, assumed, and/or performed in connection with the Consummation of the Plan, including the documents to be included in the Plan Supplement, are subject to revision and modification from time to time prior to the Effective Date (subject to the terms of the Plan). The Debtors will file a Plan Supplement on or before May \_\_\_, 2024. "Plan Supplement" means the compilation of documents and forms of documents, schedules, and exhibits to the Plan, whereby the Debtors will disclose the identity and affiliations of the Liquidation Trustee and file the Liquidation Trust Agreement. Copies of any subsequently filed Plan Supplement may be obtained by (i) writing to InVivo Therapeutics Corporation, c/o Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC, 222 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 300, El Segundo, CA 90245; and/or (ii) emailing brooks@lrclaw.com with a reference to "InVivo Therapeutics" in the subject line; (iii) visiting https://www.kccllc.net/invivo and clicking on the link for Plan and Disclosure Statement or (iv) visiting (for a fee) PACER at http://www.deb.uscourts.gov.

#### I. <u>INTRODUCTION</u>

#### 1.1 PURPOSE OF THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The Debtors provide this Disclosure Statement to the Office of the United States Trustee and to all of the Debtors' known Creditors and Interest Holders pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1125(b) for the purpose of seeking confirmation of the Plan. A copy of the Plan is attached hereto as **Exhibit A**. Pursuant to the Order (I) Approving the Disclosure Statement on an Interim Basis; (II) Scheduling a Combined Hearing on Final Approval of the Disclosure Statement and Plan Confirmation and Deadlines Related Thereto; (III) Approving the Solicitation, Notice and Tabulation Procedures and the Forms Related Thereto; and (IV) Granting Related Relief [D.I. \_\_\_] dated \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024, the Disclosure Statement received interim approval by the Bankruptcy Court. A hearing on the final approval of the Disclosure Statement and confirmation of the Plan will be held on \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time).

The Debtors strongly urge you to read this Disclosure Statement in its entirety before making any judgment about voting to either accept or reject the Plan because the Disclosure Statement contains a summary of the Plan and important information concerning the Debtors' history and operations. The Disclosure Statement also provides information regarding alternatives to the Plan. Summaries of the Plan are included herein for the purpose of seeking confirmation of the Plan and soliciting acceptances of the Plan and may not be relied upon for any purpose other than to make a judgment with respect to voting to either accept or reject the Plan.

PLEASE NOTE THAT MUCH OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN HAS BEEN TAKEN, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, FROM INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE DEBTORS' BOOKS AND RECORDS. STATEMENTS MADE IN THE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ARE QUALIFIED IN THEIR ENTIRETY BY REFERENCE TO THE PLAN, AND THE EXHIBITS ANNEXED TO THE PLAN. ALTHOUGH THE DEBTORS HAVE ATTEMPTED TO BE ACCURATE IN ALL MATERIAL RESPECTS, THE DEBTORS ARE UNABLE TO WARRANT OR REPRESENT THAT ALL OF THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS WITHOUT ERROR. UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED, THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ARE MADE ONLY AS OF THE DATE HEREOF, AND THERE CAN BE NO ASSURANCE THAT THE STATEMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN WILL BE CORRECT AT ANY TIME AFTER THE DATE HEREOF.

NO REPRESENTATION CONCERNING THE DEBTORS OR THE VALUE OF THE DEBTORS' ASSETS HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT OTHER THAN AS SET FORTH IN THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT OR ANY OTHER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT APPROVED BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT. THE DEBTORS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INFORMATION, REPRESENTATION OR INDUCEMENT MADE TO OBTAIN YOUR ACCEPTANCE, WHICH IS OTHER THAN, OR INCONSISTENT WITH, INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN AND IN THE PLAN.

#### 1.2 CONFIRMATION OF THE PLAN

- **1.2.1** <u>Requirements.</u> The requirements for Confirmation of the Plan are set forth in detail in Bankruptcy Code Section 1129. The following summarizes some of the pertinent requirements:
- (a) <u>Acceptance by Impaired Classes.</u> Except to the extent that the cram down provisions of Bankruptcy Code section 1129(b) may be invoked, each Class of Claims and each Class of Interests must either accept the Plan or be deemed to accept the Plan because the Claims or Interests of such Class are not Impaired.
- **(b)** <u>Feasibility.</u> The Bankruptcy Court is required to find that the Plan is likely to be implemented and that parties required to perform or pay monies under the Plan will be able to do so.
- (c) The "Best Interest" Test. The Bankruptcy Code requires that, in order to confirm the Plan, the Bankruptcy Court must find that the Plan is in the "best interest" of all Creditors and Interest holders. To satisfy this requirement, the Bankruptcy Court must determine that each holder of a Claim against, or Interest in, the Debtors: (i) has accepted the Plan; or (ii) will receive or retain under the Plan money or other property which, as of the Effective Date, has a value not less than the amount such holder would receive if the Debtors' property was liquidated under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code on such date.
- (d) "Cramdown" Provisions. The Bankruptcy Code contains provisions for confirmation of a plan even if the plan is not accepted by all impaired classes, as long as at least one impaired class of claims has accepted it. These so-called "cramdown" provisions are set forth in section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. A plan may be confirmed under the cramdown provisions if, in addition to satisfying all other requirements of Bankruptcy Code section 1129(a), it (i) "does not discriminate unfairly," and (ii) is "fair and equitable," with respect to each class of claims or interests that is impaired under, and has not accepted, the plan. As used by the Bankruptcy Code, the phrases "discriminate unfairly" and "fair and equitable" have specific meanings unique to bankruptcy law.

In general, the cramdown standard requires that a dissenting class receive full compensation for its allowed claim or interests before any junior class receives any distribution. More specifically, Bankruptcy Code section 1129(b) provides that a plan can be confirmed under that section if: (a) with respect to a secured class, (i) the holders of such claims retain the liens securing such claims to the extent of the allowed amount of such claims and that each holder of a claim of such class receive deferred cash payments equaling the allowed amount of such claim as of the plan's effective date or (ii) such holders realize the indubitable equivalent of such claims; (b) with respect to an unsecured claim, either (i) the impaired unsecured creditor must receive property of a value equal to the amount of its allowed claim, or (ii) the holders of claims and interests that are junior to the claims of the dissenting class may not receive any property under the plan; or (c) with respect to a class of interests, either (i) each holder of an interest of such class must receive or retain on account of such interest property of a value, equal to the greater of the allowed amount of any fixed liquidation preference to which such holder is entitled, any fixed redemption price to which such holder is entitled or the value of such interest, or (ii) the holder of

any interest that is junior to the interest of such class may not receive or retain any property on account of such junior interest.

The "fair and equitable" standard, also known as the "absolute priority rule," requires, among other things, that unless a dissenting unsecured class of claims or a class of interests receives full compensation for its allowed claims or allowed interests, no holder of claims or interests in any junior class may receive or retain any property on account of such claims or interests. With respect to a dissenting class of secured claims, the "fair and equitable" standard requires, among other things, that holders either (i) retain their liens and receive deferred cash payments with a value as of the plan's effective date equal to the value of their interest in property of the estate, or (ii) otherwise receive the indubitable equivalent of these secured claims. The "fair and equitable" standard has also been interpreted to prohibit any class senior to a dissenting class from receiving under a plan more than 100% of its allowed claims. The requirement that a plan not "discriminate unfairly" means, among other things, that a dissenting class must be treated substantially equally with respect to other classes of equal rank.

Because certain Classes are deemed to have rejected the Plan, the Debtors will request confirmation of the Plan, as it may be modified from time to time, under the "cramdown" provisions of section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. The Debtors will also seek confirmation of the Plan over the objection of individual holders of Claims who are members of an accepting Class.

The Debtors reserve the right to alter, amend, modify, revoke or withdraw the Plan, any exhibit or schedules thereto, or any Plan document in order to satisfy the requirements of section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, if necessary. The Debtors believe that the Plan will satisfy the "cramdown" requirements of section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. However, there can be no assurance that the Bankruptcy Court will determine that the Plan meets the requirements of section 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 1.2.2 <u>Procedure.</u> To confirm the Plan, the Bankruptcy Court must hold a hearing to determine whether the Plan meets the requirements of Bankruptcy Code section 1129. The Bankruptcy Court has set \_\_\_\_\_\_, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) for the combined hearing for final approval of this Disclosure Statement and confirmation of the Plan (the "Confirmation Hearing").
- 1.2.3 Objections to Final Approval of the Disclosure Statement and Confirmation of the Plan. Any party-in-interest may object to the final approval of the Disclosure Statement and/or to confirmation of the Plan and appear at the Confirmation Hearing to pursue any such objection. The Court has set May \_\_\_, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time), as the deadline for filing and serving any such objections to the final approval of the Disclosure Statement and/or to confirmation of the Plan. Any objections must be filed with the Bankruptcy Court at the following address:

U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware 824 Market Street, Third Floor Wilmington, Delaware 19801

With a copy served upon the following parties:

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Service shall be made through the CM/ECF system, with courtesy copies by email, other electronic form as provided under Local Rule 5005-4(c), or by hard copy via hand delivery, first class or other mail or delivery.

1.2.4 <u>Effect of Confirmation.</u> Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or Confirmation Order, Confirmation vests title to all property of the Debtors' Estates in the Liquidation Trust, to the same extent such Assets were held by the Debtors, free and clear of all Claims, Liens, charges, encumbrances, rights and Interests of creditors and interest holders, subject to the provisions of the Plan. Confirmation serves to make the Plan binding upon the Debtors, all Creditors, Interest holders and other parties-in-interest, regardless of whether they cast a ballot ("<u>Ballot</u>") to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 1.3 VOTING ON THE PLAN.

- 1.3.1 <u>Impaired Claims or Interests.</u> Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1126, only the holders of Claims or Interests in Classes "Impaired" by the Plan may vote on the Plan. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1124, a Class of Claims or Interests may be "Impaired" if the Plan alters the legal, equitable or contractual rights of the holders of such Claims or Interests treated in such Class. The holders of Claims or Interests not Impaired by the Plan are deemed to accept the Plan and do not have the right to vote on the Plan. The holders of Claims or Interests in any Class which will not receive any payment or distribution or retain any property pursuant to the Plan are deemed to reject the Plan, unless they have agreed otherwise, and, in either event, do not have the right to vote. This Disclosure Statement is being distributed for informational purposes to all known holders of Claims classified as Class 4 (General Unsecured Claims), Class 5 (ARE Subordinated Claims) and Class 6 (Interests).
- **1.3.2** Eligibility. In order to vote on the Plan, holders of Claims in the Voting Class must have timely filed or been assigned a timely filed proof of Claim, unless it holds a Claim that is scheduled by the Debtors and is not identified as disputed, unliquidated or contingent on the Debtors' Schedules of Assets and Liabilities (as amended, the "Schedules").

Only the following holders of Claims in the Voting Classes are entitled to vote:

a. holders of Claims and Interest for which Proofs of Claim have been filed, as reflected on the claims register as of the Record Date;

- b. holders of Claims and Interests that are listed in the Debtors' Schedules and Statements, with the exception of those Claims that are scheduled as contingent, unliquidated or disputed (excluding such scheduled Claims that have been superseded by a filed Proof of Claim);
- c. holders whose Claims arise pursuant to an agreement or settlement with the Debtors, as reflected in a document filed with the Bankruptcy Court, in a final order of the Bankruptcy Court, or in a document executed by the Debtors pursuant to authority granted by the Bankruptcy Court, in each case regardless of whether a Proof of Claim has been filed; and
- d. the assignee of any transferred or assigned Claim or Interest, only if: (i) transfer or assignment has been fully effectuated pursuant to the procedures dictated by Bankruptcy Rule 3001(e) and (ii) such transfer is reflected on the Claims Register on or before the Record Date.
- 1.3.3 <u>Binding Effect.</u> Whether a Creditor or Interest holder votes on the Plan or not, such Person or Entity will be bound by the terms of the Plan if the Plan is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court. Absent timely submission of a Ballot in accordance with the Solicitation Procedures, a Creditor will not be included in the vote: (i) for purposes of accepting or rejecting the Plan or (ii) for purposes of determining the number of Persons voting on the Plan.
- 1.3.4 <u>Procedure.</u> Members of Class 4 (General Unsecured Claims), Class 5 (ARE Subordinated Claims) and Class 6 (Interests) may vote to accept or reject the Plan. Members of Class 1 (Secured Tax Claims), Class 2 (Other Secured Claims) and Class 3 (Other Priority Claims) are unimpaired and deemed to accept the Plan. Accordingly, holders of Claims or Interests in Classes 1, 2 and 3 are not entitled to vote on the Plan. In order for your vote to count, holders of Claims in the Voting Class must complete, date, sign and properly mail the enclosed Ballot (please note that envelopes have been included with the Ballot) to:

InVivo Therapeutics Ballot Processing, c/o KCC 222 N Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 300 El Segundo, CA 90245

Alternatively, holders of Claims in the Voting Class may submit the Ballot via electronic online transmission solely through the customized online balloting portal (the "Balloting Portal") on the Debtors' case website, https://www.kccllc.net/invivo, and clicking on the link for balloting on or before the Voting Deadline. Holders of Claims submitting the Ballot via the Balloting Portal must not submit a ballot by mail.

BALLOTS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO KCC BY THE VOTING DEADLINE. BALLOTS SENT BY FACSIMILE, TELECOPY, ELECTRONIC MAIL OR OTHER FORM OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION, EXCEPT FOR THE DEBTORS' BALLOTING PORTAL ARE NOT ALLOWED AND WILL NOT BE COUNTED. HAVING YOUR BALLOT POST-MARKED BY THE VOTING DEADLINE IS NOT SUFFICIENT. RATHER, IT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE VOTING DEADLINE.

Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3017, the Bankruptcy Court has ordered that original Ballots for the acceptance or rejection of the Plan must be **received** by mail or overnight delivery by Stretto at the address set forth above or by submission through the Balloting Portal on or before 5:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on May \_\_\_, 2024. Once you have delivered your Ballot, you may not change your vote, except for cause shown to the Bankruptcy Court after notice and hearing.

In tabulating votes, the following hierarchy will be used to determine the amount of the Claim associated with each vote:

- (a) the amount of the Claim or Interest settled and/or agreed upon by the Debtors, as reflected in a Bankruptcy Court pleading, stipulation, agreement, or other document filed with the Bankruptcy Court, in a final order of the Bankruptcy Court or in a document executed by the Debtors pursuant to authority granted by the Bankruptcy Court;
- (b) the amount of the Claim or Interest Allowed (temporarily or otherwise) pursuant to a Resolution Event in accordance with the Solicitation Procedures;
- (c) the amount of the Claim or Interest contained in a Proof of Claim that has been filed; provided that Ballots cast by holders whose Claims or Interest are not listed in the Schedules, but that file a Proof of Claim in an unliquidated or unknown amount that are not the subject of an objection, will count for satisfying the numerosity requirement of Bankruptcy Code section 1126(c) and will count as Ballots for Claims in the amount of \$1.00 solely for the purposes of satisfying the dollar amount provisions of section 1126(c) of the Bankruptcy Code;
- (d) the amount of the Claim or Interest listed in the Schedules; <u>provided</u>, that such Claim is not listed in the Schedules as contingent, unliquidated or disputed, or any combination thereof, and has not been paid; and
  - (e) in the absence of any of the foregoing, zero.

To the extent Claims or Interests in a Voting Class are subject to an objection that is filed with the Court on or prior to May \_\_\_, 2024, which is seven (7) days before the Voting Deadline and fourteen (14) days before the Confirmation Hearing, the holder of such Claims shall not be entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan unless one or more of the following has occurred no later than the Confirmation Hearing (each, a "Resolution Event"):

- (i) an order of the Bankruptcy Court is entered allowing such Claim or Interest pursuant to section 502(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, after notice and a hearing;
- (ii) an order of the Bankruptcy Court is entered temporarily allowing such Claim or Interest *for voting purposes only* pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3018(a), after notice and a hearing;
- (iii) a stipulation or other agreement is executed between the holder of such Claim or Interest and the Debtors resolving the objection and allowing such Claim or Interest in an agreed upon amount;

- (iv) a stipulation or other agreement is executed between the holder of such Claim or Interest and the Debtors temporarily allowing the holder of such Claim or Interest to vote its Claim or Interest in an agreed upon amount; or
- (v) the pending objection is voluntarily withdrawn by the objecting party.

#### 1.4 ACCEPTANCE OF THE PLAN

- 1.4.1 <u>Creditor Acceptance</u>. As a Creditor, your acceptance of the Plan is important. In order for the Plan to be accepted by an Impaired Class of Claims, a majority in number and two-thirds in dollar amount of the Claims voting (of each Impaired Class of Claims) must accept the Plan, or the Plan must qualify for cramdown of any non-accepting Class of Claims pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1129(b). At least one impaired Class of Creditors, excluding the votes of insiders, must actually vote to accept the Plan. To the extent you hold a claim in Class 4 (General Unsecured Claims), Class 5 (ARE Subordinated Claims) or Class 6 (Interests) you are urged to complete, date, sign and promptly mail the enclosed Ballot or submit it via the Debtors Balloting Portal. Please be sure to complete the Ballot properly and legibly identify the exact amount of your Claim and the name of the Creditor.
- 1.4.2 <u>Cramdown Election</u>. As long as at least one Impaired Class votes to accept the Plan, excluding the votes of insiders, the Debtors may attempt to invoke the "cramdown" provisions. Cramdown may be an available remedy, because the Debtors believe that, with respect to each Impaired Class, the Plan is fair and equitable within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 1129(b)(2) and does not discriminate unfairly.

#### 1.5 SOURCES OF INFORMATION

The information contained in this Disclosure Statement has been obtained from the Debtors' books and records and from pleadings filed by the Debtors and other parties-in-interest. Every reasonable effort has been made to present accurate information and such information is believed to be correct as of the date hereof. Any value given as to the Assets of the Debtors is based upon an estimation of such value. You are strongly urged to consult with your financial, legal and tax advisors to understand fully the Plan and the Disclosure Statement.

The financial information contained in this Disclosure Statement is given as of the date hereof, unless otherwise specified. The delivery of this Disclosure Statement does not, under any circumstance, imply that there has been no change in the facts set forth herein since such date. This Disclosure Statement is intended, among other things, to summarize the Plan and must be read in conjunction with the Plan and its exhibits, if any. If any conflicts exist between the Plan and the Disclosure Statement, the terms of the Plan shall control.

#### 1.6 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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#### II. THE DEBTORS

#### 2.1 DESCRIPTION OF THE DEBTORS AND THE DEBTORS' BUSINESSES

#### **Business Operations and Corporate Structure**

InVivo Therapeutics Corporation ("<u>InVivo Corp.</u>") was founded in 2005 as, and remains, a Delaware corporation. InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp. ("<u>Holdco</u>") was incorporated on April 2, 2003, under the name of Design Source, Inc. as a Nevada corporation. On October 26, 2010, Holdco acquired InVivo Corp., and InVivo Corp. has, since that time, been a wholly-owned subsidiary of Holdco.

The Debtors are a research and clinical-stage biomaterials and biotechnology company with a focus on treatment of spinal cord injuries ("<u>SCI</u>"), with the goal of developing treatment options intended to provide meaningful improvement in patient outcomes following SCI.

Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors pursued development of their investigational Neuro-Spinal Scaffold implant (the "NSS Implant"), a bioresorbable polymer scaffold that is designed for implantation at the site of injury within a spinal cord and is intended to treat acute SCI. The NSS Implant is intended to promote side-by-side healing by supporting the surrounding tissue after injury, aiming to minimize expansion of areas of necrosis and provide a biomaterial substrate for the body's own healing and repair processes.

The NSS Implant incorporates intellectual property licensed under an exclusive, worldwide license from Boston Children's Hospital ("BCH") and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the term of which expires in 2027 or the life of the last patent expiration, whichever is later, unless terminated earlier by BCH (the "BCH License"). In connection with the Debtors' acquisition of the BCH License, the Debtors agreed to a development plan that includes certain targets and projections related to the timing of product development and regulatory approvals, as well as the Debtors' payment of certain milestone payments, royalties and other fees.

Despite significant investment and promising results in initial clinical trials, the Debtors were unable to continue clinical development of the NSS Implant due to setbacks in subsequent clinical trials and financial constraints. In particular, in March of 2023, the Debtors announced that data from their most recent and only active clinical trial had failed to meet the pre-defined

success criteria and primary endpoint for the study. Having no other program assets besides the NSS Implant that could support continued operations or attract new financing opportunities prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors terminated the development of the NSS Implant and pivoted to a wind-down and asset monetization strategy in order to maximize the value of its enterprise for their constituents, as set forth in greater detail herein.

#### 2.2 THE DEBTORS' PREPETITION CAPITAL STRUCTURE

#### The Debtors' Cash

As of the Petition Date, the Debtors held approximately \$5.4 million in cash in its deposit and investment accounts, consistent with the manner in which it has held its cash through its historic practices. As the Debtors have no debt for borrowed funds, there are no liens on any of the Debtors' cash, and no person or entity can claim that the Debtors' cash is collateral for any indebtedness.

#### Secured Debt, Unsecured Debt, and Settled Claims

As noted above, as of the Petition Date, the Debtors have no secured debt. Prior to the Petition Date, the Debtors attempted to stay current with all unsecured obligations and to satisfy longer-term contractual obligations. As of the date hereof, the Debtors estimate that there are approximately \$1.8 million in general unsecured claims that will be asserted against the Estates.

# Common Equity, Preferred Convertible Equity, Recent Issuance of Warrants and Related Capital Raising Activity

Since its inception, the Debtors have historically financed their operations primarily through the sale of equity-related securities. Holdco is a publicly traded company with 3,105,446 common shares outstanding and trading on the Nasdaq exchange as of the Petition Date. There are no classes of stock outstanding other than common stock. To date, Holdco has never declared or paid cash dividends on its common stock. There are 2,380,394 warrants outstanding as of the Petition Date. The weighted average exercise price of the warrants is \$10.37.

#### 2.3 EVENTS LEADING TO THE BANKRUPTCY FILING

#### NSS Implant Setbacks and Decision to Suspend Development

The Debtors initiated the INSPIRE 1.0 Study in 2014, which was designed to enroll 20 patients. Despite encouraging data from the patients enrolled in the INSPIRE 1.0 Study, the study was halted in mid-2017 due to three patient deaths, which were deemed unrelated to the NSS Implant by the respective site principal investigators. The Debtors subsequently worked with the FDA to initiate the INSPIRE 2.0 Study, which included risk mitigation criteria for the challenges it faced in the INSPIRE 1.0 Study. In 2023, the Debtors announced that the data from the INSPIRE 2.0 Study had failed to meet the pre-defined success criteria and primary endpoint for the study. In March 2023, the Debtors ultimately determined it was in the best interests of the company and its stakeholders to halt further development of the NSS Implant in light of the INSPIRE 2.0 Study's unfavorable results and the anticipated time and resources it would take to conduct another clinical trial.

#### Prepetition Wind-Down Efforts

Following the Debtors' strategic decision to suspend development of the NSS Implant program, the Debtors engaged in various efforts to wind-down its operations. The Debtors undertook these steps to (i) ensure the wind-down of their clinical trials would be performed in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and would respect patient health and safety, (ii) streamline the process for a sale of their assets while also remaining open to other value-maximizing alternative strategies, and (iii) minimize the expense of their wind-down for the benefit of their stakeholders. In particular, the Debtors entered into favorable settlements with two of its most significant contract counterparties: its CRO, IQVIA Biotech LLC ("IQVIA"); and its former landlord, ARE-MA REGION NO. 59, LLC ("ARE").

#### i. IQVIA

IQVIA is the CRO engaged by the Debtors to manage and execute clinical studies of the NSS Implant on a contract basis (each such contract, a "CRO Contract"). At the time of the Debtors' strategic decision to suspend development of the NSS Implant, the Debtors and IQVIA had one outstanding CRO Contract for each of the INSPIRE 1.0 Study and the INSPIRE 2.0 Study. The contract for the INSPIRE 1.0 Study was first dated June 11, 2019, and most recently amended on November 9, 2023 (as amended, the "INSPIRE 1.0 Contract"). Under the INSPIRE 1.0 Contract, IQVIA agreed to perform a clinical study of the NSS Implant with services ending April 26, 2024, and the Company agreed to pay certain corresponding fees. The contract for the INSPIRE 2.0 Study was first dated August 24, 2018, and most recently amended on November 9, 2023 (as amended, the "INSPIRE 2.0 Contract"). Under the INSPIRE 2.0 Contract, IOVIA agreed to perform a clinical study of the NSS Implant with services ending May 10, 2024, and the Company agreed to pay certain corresponding fees. In light of the Company's decision to suspend development of the NSS Implant, the majority of IQVIA's services were no longer needed for the duration of the INSPIRE 1.0 Contract and the INSPIRE 2.0 Contract, but IQVIA's services were needed to wind-down both clinical trials properly in accordance with applicable laws and regulations and to respect patient health and safety, including with respect to the IDE amendment for both trials approved by the FDA in August 2023.

To obtain the services needed from IQVIA in the wind-down of the Debtors clinical trials, and to resolve IQVIA's potential claims under the INSPIRE 1.0 Contract and the INSPIRE 2.0 Contract in a manner that would maximize the value of the Debtors' estates in these Chapter 11 Cases, the Debtors entered into a settlement agreement with IQVIA on November 9, 2023 (the "IQVIA Settlement"). Under the material terms of the IQVIA Settlement, the Debtors agreed to allow IQVIA to retain a prepayment of \$130,681.41 held by IQVIA under the INSPIRE 1.0 Contract and a prepayment of \$252,551.62 held by IQVIA under the INSPIRE 2.0 Contract, totaling a combined prepayment for both studies of \$383,233.03 as of the date of the IQVIA Settlement, and the Debtors paid IQVIA an additional \$673,800.61 for its future work in winding-down the Debtors' clinical trials. In exchange, IQVIA agreed to perform that clinical trial wind-down work, to terminate the remainder of the INSPIRE 1.0 Contract and the remainder of the INSPIRE 2.0 Contract, and to waive any further claims for payment in connection with the wind-down of the Debtors' clinical trials. As a result, apart from any contingent claims for indemnity that might arise (which the Debtors do not anticipate), the Debtors were able to cap the costs of the proper wind-down of their clinical studies, protecting patient safety and confidentiality and

minimizing risk and cost to the estates, and the Debtors now considers all obligations to IQVIA to have been satisfied in full.

#### ii. ARE

ARE, a subsidiary of Alexandria Real Estate Equities, Inc., is the owner of the Debtors' former corporate headquarters located at One Kendall Square, Suite B14402, Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139. The Debtors and ARE entered into a lease agreement for that property dated May 28, 2021, and an amendment to that lease dated November 23, 2021 (as amended, the "ARE Lease"). The ARE Lease was set to expire on December 31, 2024. In light of the Debtors' decision to suspend development of the NSS Implant, it no longer needed the leased property, and in order to maximize the value of the Debtors' estates, the Debtors negotiated a consensual termination of the ARE Lease.

On August 29, 2023, the Debtors entered into an agreement with ARE to terminate the ARE Lease and resolve ARE's claims arising therefrom (the "ARE Settlement"). Under the material terms of the ARE Settlement, the parties agreed to a surrender of the property and termination of the agreement as of August 31, 2023. The Debtors agreed to pay ARE a termination payment of \$679,111.00 (equivalent to 11.5 months of rent under the ARE Lease), and to grant ARE a claim in these Chapter 11 Cases, subordinated to all other general unsecured claims, in the amount of \$54,527.00 (equivalent to ARE's reletting expenses and 0.5 months of rent under the ARE Lease) (the "Subordinated ARE Claim"), the purpose of which was to allow ARE to be made whole on its claims only if all other creditors of the Debtors are paid in full. To assist with the formation of a confirmable chapter 11 plan in these Chapter 11 Cases, ARE agreed to vote the Subordinated ARE Claim in favor of the Plan.

#### Strategic Alternatives and Sale and Marketing Process

Beginning in March of 2023, the Debtors began exploring strategic alternatives to maximize value for all stakeholders, including marketing efforts for the NSS Implant and the exploration of a sale of the Debtors' entire business as well as other possible in-licensing and program acquisition opportunities that could provide a path forward for the company. For the NSS Implant, the Debtors conducted a broad outreach effort to existing therapeutic companies, universities and advocacy organizations that it was aware of or had relationships within the spinal cord injury space. Such inquiries were directed to companies or groups who the Debtors' believed may be interested in potentially purchasing the NSS Implant as a stand-alone development opportunity or in combination with other therapeutics that such companies have in development. The Debtors had similar outreaches and dialogues with firms who were also specialized in ex-US partnering efforts for its NSS Implant that had previously expressed interest in working with the Debtors. The Debtors also attended various partnering conferences to meet with companies of these profiles. Despite various conversations and meetings with representatives from the entities who responded, no entity has expressed interest in acquiring the NSS Implant for continued development or research.

Also starting in March 2023, the Debtors conducted outreach efforts to several investment banks regarding the potential sale of its business or other strategic opportunities for the Debtors, including reverse mergers. All of the banks noted the significant challenges that the

Debtors could potentially face in the pursuit of a reverse merger or other strategic transaction and the small likelihood of success given a variety of external factors, including the impact of the recent economic downturn in the U.S. and global financial markets. As a result, the banks were unwilling to formally engage with the Debtors to search for a strategic partner. Despite the Debtors' diligent search and marketing efforts, no credible or realistic opportunities materialized as a potential alternative to the Debtors seeking relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code.

In order to maximize the outreach to potential purchasers of its assets, on July 12, 2023, the Debtors retained SSG Advisors, LLC ("SSG") as investment banker to continue the marketing process previously commenced by the Debtors. Pursuant to the terms of its engagement by the Debtors, SSG was tasked with initiating and conducting discussions with prospective purchasers and investors in connection with any sale transaction, and advising the Debtors in any related negotiations. Following its engagement, SSG undertook a robust process of searching for asset purchasers in the summer and fall of 2023, contacting a total of 205 target potential purchasers and executing one non-disclosure agreement with an interested party. Unfortunately, no potential purchasers submitted bids to purchase the Debtors' assets at that time.

The Debtors also explored the possibility of in-licensing or acquiring other technologies that might, together with new financing to support those technologies, provide a path forward for the company. The Debtors performed significant technological and financial diligence with respect to this type of alternative, but the company could not overcome the difficulty of rebuilding and funding a research platform around the concepts evaluated.

#### 2.4 THE DEBTORS' BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS

- **2.4.1** The Petition Date. On February 1, 2024 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code in the Bankruptcy Court.
- **2.4.2** The First Day Operational Orders. On the Petition Date, the Debtors filed several motions seeking certain operational relief by virtue of so-called first day orders. The first day orders assisted the Debtors in transitioning into operating as a debtors-in-possession by approving certain regular business practices that may not be specifically authorized under the Bankruptcy Code or as to which the Bankruptcy Code requires prior court approval. The first day orders in the Chapter 11 Cases authorized, among other things:
  - the continued maintenance of the Debtors' bank accounts, continued use of existing business forms and continued use of the Debtors' existing cash management system;
  - the appointment of Kurtzman Carson Consultants, LLC as the noticing agent in the Chapter 11 Case;
  - continued payment of certain prepetition taxes, governmental assessments and related fees; and
  - payments to employees for accrued prepetition wages, salaries and benefits.

The Proposed Sale Transaction. As explained above, the Debtors filed the Chapter 11 Cases to engage in a process to sell substantially all of its assets so that it could maximize the value of their Estates for the benefit of all of its constituents. On the Petition Date, the Debtors filed the Motion of Debtors for Entry of Orders: (A)(I) Approving Bidding Procedures Relating to the Sale of Substantially Al of the Debtors' Assets, (II) Approving Stalking Horse Bid Protections, (III) Scheduling a Hearing to Consider the Sale, (IV) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice of Sale by Auction, (V) Establishing Notice and Procedures for the Assumption and Assignment of Contracts and Leases, and (VI) Granting Related Relief; and (B)(I) Approving Asset Purchase Agreement and Authorizing the Sale of Certain Assets of the Debtors Outside the Ordinary Course of Business, (II) Authorizing the Sale of Assets Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, Encumbrances and Interests, (III) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and (IV) Granting Related Relief [D.I. 18] (the "Sale Motion"). On February 22, 2024, the Court entered the Order: (A)(I) Approving Bid Procedures Relating to the Sale of Substantially All of the Debtors' Assets, (II) Approving Stalking Horse Bid Protections, (III) Scheduling A Hearing to Consider the Sale, (IV) Approving the Form and Manner of Notice of Sale By Auction, (V) Establishing Notice and Procedures for the Assumption and Assignment of Contracts and Leases, and (VI) Granting Related Relief; and (B)(I) Approving Asset Purchase Agreement and Authorizing the Sale of Certain Assets of the Debtors Outside the Ordinary Course Of Business, (II) Authorizing the Sale of Assets Free and Clear of All Liens, Claims, Encumbrances and Interests, (III) Authorizing the Assumption and Assignment of Certain Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases, and (IV) Granting Related Relief [D.I. 79] (the "Bid Procedures Order").

Pursuant to the Bid Procedures Order, SSG continued to market the Debtors' assets. Ultimately, the Debtors did not receive any Qualified Bids for their assets. The Debtors and SSG continue to market the Debtors' assets and reserve the right to seek approval of a sale transaction in the future.

**2.4.4** The Bar Date Motion. On March 11, 2024, the Debtors filed the *Motion* of the Debtors for Entry of an Order (A) Establishing Bar Dates for Filing Proofs of Claim, (B) Approving the Form and Manner for Filing Proofs of Claim and (C) Approving Notice Thereof [D.I. 108] (the "Bar Date Motion"). On March 26, 2024, the Bankruptcy Court entered the Order Granting Motion of the Debtors for Entry of an Order (A) Establishing Bar Dates for Filing Proofs of Claim, (B) Approving the Form and Manner for Filing Proofs of Claim and (C) Approving Notice Thereof [D.I. 124] (the "Bar Date Order"). Pursuant to the Bar Date Order, each person or Entity asserting (i) a Claim against the Debtors that arose (or was deemed to have arisen) before the Petition Date and/or (ii) any right to payment constituting a cost or administrative expense of administration of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases that arose, accrued, or otherwise became due and payable or may have arisen, accrued or otherwise become due and payable at any time during the period from the Petition Date through and including March 31, 2024, are required to file proofs of claim against the Debtors on or before April 19, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time). Additionally, pursuant to the Bar Date Order, the Bankruptcy Court established July 30, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) as the deadline for all governmental units holding claims (whether secured, unsecured priority or unsecured non-priority) that arose (or are deemed to have arisen) before the Petition Date to file proofs of claim.

**2.4.5** Schedules and SOFAs. On February 15, 2024, the Debtors filed their Statements of Financial Affairs and Schedules of Assets and Liabilities [D.I.'s 60, 61, 62 & 63] (as amended or modified and together as, the "Schedules and Statements").

#### 2.5 SECURED CLAIMS ENCUMBERING THE DEBTORS' PROPERTY

- **2.5.1** Secured Tax Claims. Secured Tax Claims are any Secured Claim that, absent its secured status, would be entitled to priority in right of payment under section 507(a)(8) of the Bankruptcy Code (determined irrespective of time limitations), including any related Secured Claim for penalties. As of the Petition Date, the Debtors owed approximately \$0.00 on account of Secured Tax Claims.
- **2.5.2** Other Secured Claims. Other Secured Claims are any Secured Claim that is not a Secured Tax Claim. As of the Petition Date, the Debtors owed approximately \$0.00 on account of the Other Secured Claims.

#### 2.6 ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMS.

- **2.6.1** Administrative Claims. Administrative Claims are Claims that are actual and necessary costs and expenses of preserving the Debtors' Estates and operating the business incurred in the ordinary course of business during the pendency of the Chapter 11 Cases on or before the Effective Date, but excluding Professional Fee Claims. The Debtors estimate such Administrative Claims as of the date hereof, to be approximately \$0.00.
- 2.6.2 <u>Professional Fee Claims</u>. Professional Fee Claims are Administrative Claims for the compensation of the Debtors' professionals or other entities for professional services rendered or expenses incurred in the Chapter 11 Cases on or before the Effective Date. All payments to Professionals for Professional Fee Claims will be made in accordance with the procedures established in the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the United States Trustee Guidelines and the Bankruptcy Court relating to the payment of interim and final compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses. The Bankruptcy Court will review and determine all applications for compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of costs.

#### 2.7 UNSECURED CLAIMS AGAINST THE DEBTORS

- **2.7.1** <u>Unsecured Priority Claims</u>. According to the Debtors' Schedules and Statements as well as certain Claims filed to date, the Debtors estimates that it owes approximately \$0.00 on account of tax Claims entitled to priority pursuant to Bankruptcy Code Section 507(a)(8). The Debtors estimate that Priority Claims outstanding for employee wages and benefits total approximately \$0.00.
- **2.7.2** <u>Unsecured Nonpriority Claims</u>. The Debtors' Schedules and Statements, filed claims and claims the Debtors are aware are likely to be filed reflect aggregate unsecured nonpriority Claims against the Debtors in the approximate amount of \$ 1,935,701 plus certain unknown amounts scheduled as contingent, unliquidated and disputed, but excluding amounts paid pursuant to various Bankruptcy Court orders.

#### III. SUMMARY OF THE CHAPTER 11 PLAN<sup>5</sup>

#### 3.1 IN GENERAL

If the Plan is confirmed by the Bankruptcy Court and consummated, except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Administrative Claim and the Debtors agree to less favorable treatment with respect to such holder, each holder of an Allowed Administrative Claim shall be paid in full in Cash on the Effective Date. Further, the Plan provides that, the Debtors shall pay, in full in Cash, any fees due and owing to the U.S. Trustee as of the Effective Date.

With respect to holders of Allowed Priority Tax Claims, and except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim agrees to a less favorable treatment, in exchange for full and final satisfaction, settlement, release and discharge of each Allowed Priority Tax Claim, each holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim due and payable on or before the Effective Date shall receive, on the Distribution Date, at the option of the Debtors, one of the following treatments: (i) Cash in an amount equal to the amount of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, plus interest at the rate determined under applicable non-bankruptcy law and to the extent provided for by Bankruptcy Code section 511; or (ii) such other treatment as may be agreed upon by such holder and the Debtors or otherwise determined upon an order of the Bankruptcy Court.

All other Allowed Claims and Allowed Interests will receive a distribution only to the extent set forth below in sections 3.2, 3.3 and 3.4.

#### 3.2 CLASSIFICATION OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS

- **3.2.1** Class 1: Secured Tax Claims. This Class consists of any Claim that, absent its secured status, would be entitled to priority in right of payment under section 507(a)(8) of the Bankruptcy Code (determined irrespective of time limitations), including any related Secured Claim for penalties. Class 1 is Unimpaired by the Plan, and each holder of a Class 1 Secured Tax Claim is conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f).
- 3.2.2 Class 2: Other Secured Claims. This Class consists of any Claim, other than a Secured Tax Claim, that is (a) secured by a Lien on property in which the Estates have an interest, which Lien is valid, perfected and enforceable pursuant to applicable law or by reason of a Bankruptcy Court order, or that is subject to setoff pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 553, to the extent of the value of the creditor's interest in the Estates' interest in such property or to the extent of the amount subject to setoff, as applicable, as determined pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 506(a) or (b) Allowed as such pursuant to the Plan. Class 2 is Unimpaired by the Plan, and each holder of a Class 2 Other Secured Claim is conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f).
- 3.2.3 <u>Class 3: Other Priority Claims</u>. This Class consists of any Claim against the Debtors, other than an Administrative Claim or a Priority Tax Claim, entitled to priority in right of payment under Bankruptcy Code section 507(a). Class 3 is Unimpaired by the Plan, and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In the event of any inconsistency or discrepancy between this summary of the Plan, on the one hand, and the actual terms and provisions of the Plan, on the other hand, the terms and provisions of the Plan shall govern for all purposes.

each holder of a Class 3 Other Priority Claim is conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f).

- **3.2.4** Class 4: General Unsecured Claims. This class consists of any Claim against the Debtors that (i) is neither Secured nor entitled to priority under the Bankruptcy Code or an order of the Bankruptcy Court and (ii) is not an Administrative Claim, a Professional Fee Claim, Priority Tax Claim, Other Priority Claim, Other Secured Claim, ARE Subordinated Claim or an Interest. Class 4 is Impaired by the Plan and each Holder of a Class 4 General Unsecured Claim is entitled to vote on the Plan.
- 3.2.5 <u>Class 5: ARE Subordinated Claims</u>. This class consists of any Claim against the Debtors that (i) is neither Secured nor entitled to priority under the Bankruptcy Code or an order of the Bankruptcy Court and (ii) is not an Administrative Claim, a Professional Fee Claim, Priority Tax Claim, Other Priority Claim, Other Secured Claim, General Unsecured Claim or an Interest. Class 5 is Impaired by the Plan and each Holder of a Class 5 ARE Subordinated Claim is entitled to vote on the Plan.
- 3.2.6 <u>Class 6: Interests.</u> This Class consists of any equity security of the Debtors as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(16), including all issued, unissued, authorized or outstanding shares of capital stock of the Debtors together with any warrants, options or contractual rights to purchase or acquire such equity securities at any time and all rights arising with respect thereto. Class 6 is Impaired by the Plan, and each Holder of an Interest is entitled to vote on the Plan.

#### 3.3 TREATMENT OF UNIMPAIRED CLAIMS AND CLASSES

- Administrative Claims. Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Administrative Claim and the Debtors agree to less favorable treatment with respect to such Allowed Administrative Claim, each holder of an Allowed Administrative Claim shall be paid in full in Cash on the earlier of the date that is (a) on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date if such Administrative Claim is Allowed as of the Effective Date or (b) on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the date such Administrative Claim is Allowed, if such Administrative Claim is not Allowed as of the Effective Date.
- 3.3.2 Professional Fee Claims. Any Person asserting a Professional Fee Claim for services rendered before the Effective Date must File and serve on the parties required in the Interim Compensation Order or any other applicable order of the Bankruptcy Court, an application for final allowance of such Professional Fee Claim no later than twenty-one (21) days after the Effective Date (with an objection period of at least twenty-one (21) days for objections, if any, to such applications); provided, however that any Professional who may receive compensation or reimbursement of expenses pursuant to the Ordinary Course Professional Order may continue to receive such compensation or reimbursement of expenses for services rendered before the Effective Date, without further Bankruptcy Court order, pursuant to the Ordinary Course Professional Order. Objections to any Professional Fee Claim must be Filed and served on the requesting party no later than twenty-one (21) days from the service of an application for final allowance of a Professional Fee Claim. On the Effective Date, the Professional Fee Claim Reserve shall be transferred by the Debtors to Landis Rath & Cobb LLP's IOLTA account to be held for

the distribution of Allowed Professional Fee Claims. Upon entry of a Final Order approving any such application for such Professional Fee Claim, Landis Rath & Cobb LLP shall promptly distribute from the Professional Fee Claim Reserve any unpaid portion of such Allowed Professional Fee Claim. To the extent that any Cash is remaining in the Professional Fee Claim Reserve after payment in full of all Allowed Professional Fee Claims, Landis Rath & Cobb LLP shall promptly transfer any such Cash to the Liquidation Trust and such Cash shall become Liquidation Trust Assets and be treated in accordance with the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan and the Confirmation Order.

- 3.3.3 Priority Tax Claims. Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim agrees to a less favorable treatment, each holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim shall receive, at the option of the Debtors, one of the following treatments: (i) Cash in an amount equal to the amount of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, plus interest at the rate determined under applicable non-bankruptcy law and to the extent provided for by Bankruptcy Code section 511; or (ii) such other treatment (which treatment shall be no more favorable than the treatment set forth in subsection (i) of this section) as may be agreed upon by such holder and the Debtors or otherwise determined upon an order of the Bankruptcy Court. Allowed Priority Tax Claims shall be paid on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the later of (i) the Effective Date, (ii) the date on which such Priority Tax Claim against the Debtors becomes an Allowed Priority Tax Claim, or (iii) such other date as may be ordered by the Bankruptcy Court.
- 3.3.4 Statutory Fees. All fees due and payable pursuant to section 1930 of Title 28 of the U.S. Code, together with the statutory rate of interest set forth in section 3717 of Title 31 of the U.S. Code to the extent applicable ("Quarterly Fees") prior to the Effective Date shall be paid by the Debtors on the Effective Date. After the Effective Date, all Quarterly Fees shall be paid when due and payable. Within two business days of the Effective Date, the post-effective date Debtors or the Liquidation Trustee shall file the Notice of Effective Date, identifying the Effective Date and indicating that it has occurred. The Debtors shall file all monthly operating reports due prior to the Effective Date when they become due, using UST Form 11-MOR. After the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall file with the Bankruptcy Court UST Form 11-PCR reports when they become due. The Liquidation Trust shall remain obligated to pay Quarterly Fees to the Office of the U.S. Trustee until the earliest of the case being closed, dismissed or converted to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. The U.S. Trustee shall not be required to file any Administrative Claim in the case, and shall not be treated as providing any release under the Plan.
- 3.3.5 <u>Class 1: Secured Tax Claims</u>. Each holder of an Allowed Secured Tax Claim shall receive, at the option of the Liquidation Trustee: (a) payment in full in Cash of such holder's Allowed Secured Tax Claim; or (b) equal semi-annual Cash payments commencing as of the Effective Date or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter and continuing for five years, in an aggregate amount equal to such Allowed Secured Tax Claim, together with interest at the applicable non-default rate under non-bankruptcy law, subject to the option of the Liquidation Trustee to prepay the entire amount of such Allowed Secured Tax Claim during such time period.
- 3.3.6 <u>Class 2: Other Secured Claims</u>. Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Other Secured Claim agrees to less favorable treatment, in exchange for full and final satisfaction, settlement and release of each Allowed Other Secured Claim, then each holder of an

Allowed Other Secured Claim shall receive, at the option of the Liquidation Trustee, (a) payment in full in Cash of such holder's Allowed Other Secured Claim; (b) the Collateral securing such holder's Allowed Other Secured Claim; or (c) such other treatment rendering such holder's Allowed Other Secured Claim Unimpaired.

3.3.7 <u>Class 3: Other Priority Claims</u>. Each holder of an Allowed Other Priority Claim shall receive payment in full in Cash of such holder's Allowed Other Priority Claim from the Liquidation Trustee or such other treatment rendering such holder's Allowed Other Priority Claim Unimpaired.

#### 3.4 TREATMENT OF IMPAIRED CLASSES

- **3.4.1** Class 4: General Unsecured Claims. Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed General Unsecured Claims agrees to less favorable treatment, in exchange for full and final satisfaction, settlement, and release of each Allowed General Unsecured Claim, each holder of such Allowed General Unsecured Claim shall receive its *pro rata* share of the Beneficial Trust Interests, which Beneficial Trust Interests shall entitle the holders thereof to receive their *pro rata* share of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- 3.4.2 <u>Class 5: ARE Subordinated Claims</u>. Only upon satisfaction in full of all Allowed Class 4 General Unsecured Claims and except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed ARE Subordinated Claim agrees to less favorable treatment, in exchange for full and final satisfaction, settlement, and release of each Allowed ARE Subordinated Claim, each holder of such Allowed ARE Subordinated Claim shall receive its *pro rata* share of the Beneficial Trust Interests, which Beneficial Trust Interests shall entitle the holders thereof to receive their *pro rata* share of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- **3.4.3** Class 6: Interests. Only upon satisfaction in full of all Allowed Class 5 ARE Subordinated Claims and except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Interest agrees to less favorable treatment, in exchange for full and final satisfaction, settlement, and release of each Allowed Interest, each holder of such Allowed Interest shall receive its *pro rata* share of the Beneficial Trust Interests, which Beneficial Trust Interests shall entitle the holders thereof to receive their *pro rata* share of the Liquidation Trust Assets.

#### 3.5 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

- **3.5.1** <u>Vesting of Assets</u>. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or any agreement, instrument or other document incorporated in the Plan, on the Effective Date, all of the Liquidation Trust Assets shall immediately vest in the Liquidation Trust.
- 3.5.2 <u>Sources of Consideration for Plan Distributions</u>. Distributions under the Plan on account of the Beneficial Trust Interests will be funded by the Liquidation Trust Assets. All other distributions under the Plan, other than distributions on account of Beneficial Trust Interests, will be funded by the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve, or the Professional Fee Claims Reserve. On the Effective Date, the Debtors shall fund the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve, the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, and Professional Fee Claims Reserve, in full in Cash.

#### 3.5.3 Liquidation Trust.

- i. Creation of Liquidation Trust. On the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trust shall be created in accordance with the Liquidation Trust Agreement for the benefit of holders of Beneficial Trust Interests. The Liquidation Trust Agreement shall (i) be in form and substance consistent in all respects with this Plan and (ii) contain customary provisions for trust agreements utilized in comparable circumstances, including any and all provisions necessary to ensure continued treatment of the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests as the grantors and owners thereof for federal tax purposes. All relevant parties (including the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee, and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) will take all actions necessary to cause title to the Liquidation Trust Assets to be transferred to the Liquidation Trust. The powers, authority, responsibilities, and duties of the Liquidation Trust and the Liquidation Trustee are set forth and will be governed by the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan and Confirmation Order.
- ii. <u>Transfers to the Liquidation Trust</u>. On the Effective Date, the Debtors and their Estates shall transfer and shall be deemed to have irrevocably transferred to the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trust Assets, which transfer shall be free and clear of Claims, Liens, Interests, encumbrances, and contractually imposed restrictions except as otherwise provided herein.
- iii. Purpose of the Liquidation Trust. The Liquidation Trust shall be established for the primary purpose of liquidating its assets and making distributions in accordance with the Plan, Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement, with no objective to continue or engage in the conduct of a trade or business, except to the extent reasonably necessary to, and consistent with, the liquidating purposes of the Liquidation Trust. The Liquidation Trust, acting through the Liquidation Trustee, shall be authorized to exercise and perform the rights, powers, and duties held by the Estates with respect to the Liquidation Trust Assets, including, without limitation, the authority under Section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code, and shall be deemed to be acting in the capacity of a bankruptcy trustee, receiver, liquidator, conservator, rehabilitator, creditors' committee or any similar official who has been appointed to take control of, supervise, manage or liquidate the Debtors, to provide for the prosecution, settlement, adjustment, retention, and enforcement of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- iv. <u>Administration of the Liquidation Trust</u>. The Liquidation Trust shall be administered by the Liquidation Trustee pursuant to the Liquidation Trust Agreement and the Plan. In the event of any inconsistency between the Plan or the Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement as such conflict relates to anything other than the establishment of a Liquidation Trust, the Plan or Confirmation Order shall control.
- v. <u>Appointment of Liquidation Trustee</u>. As of the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall be appointed as trustee of the Liquidation Trust

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- pursuant to the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan, and the Confirmation Order, and Bankruptcy Code section 1123(b)(3), and shall have all of the rights, powers, authority, and obligations set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan, the Confirmation Order and the Bankruptcy Code. The Liquidation Trustee shall be the exclusive trustee of the Estates under Title 11 for purposes of 31 U.S.C. § 3713(b) and 26 U.S.C. § 601(b)(3).
- vi. Responsibilities of the Liquidation Trustee. The responsibilities of the Liquidation Trustee under the Liquidation Trust Agreement and the Plan shall include those set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement, including, without limitation, the following (a) the receipt of the Liquidation Trust Assets; (b) the establishment and maintenance of such operating, reserve and trust account(s) as are necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms of the Liquidation Trust and the Plan, including the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve and Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve; (c) the investment of Cash that is a Liquidation Trust Asset; (d) the pursuit of objections to, estimation of and settlements of all Claims, regardless of whether any such Claim is listed on the Debtors' Schedules, other than Claims that are Allowed pursuant to the Plan; (e) the prosecution, settlement or abandonment of any Retained Causes of Action; (f) unless otherwise provided in the Plan, the calculation of all distributions to be made under the Plan; (g) authorizing and making, through the Distribution Agent, all distributions to be made under the Plan, and (h) such other responsibilities as may be vested in the Liquidation Trustee pursuant to the Plan, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Confirmation Order, other Bankruptcy Court Orders, or as otherwise may be necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of the Plan.
- vii. Compensation of the Liquidation Trustee. The Liquidation Trustee shall be compensated pursuant to the terms of the Liquidation Trust Agreement. Any professionals retained by the Liquidation Trustee shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred, subject to approval by the Liquidation Trustee. The payment of fees and expenses of the Liquidation Trustee and its professionals shall be made in the ordinary course of business from the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve and shall not be subject to Bankruptcy Court approval. The identity of the Liquidation Trustee and the proposed compensation shall be disclosed in the Plan Supplement.
- viii. <u>Powers of Liquidation Trustee</u>. The powers of the Liquidation Trustee, as set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement shall include, without limitation and without further Bankruptcy Court approval, each of the following:

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a. To act on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, including the right to effect all actions and execute all agreements, instruments and other

- documents, and exercise all rights and privileges previously held by the Debtors, necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of the Plan and the Liquidation Trust Agreement.
- b. With respect to any Liquidation Trust Asset, to exercise in a manner not inconsistent with the Plan all power and authority that may be or could have been exercised, to commence or continue all proceedings that may be or could have been commenced or continued and to take all actions that may be or could have been taken by any member, officer, director or shareholder of the Debtors with like effect as if authorized, exercised and taken by unanimous action of such officers, directors and shareholders, including, without limitation, the dissolution of the Debtors;
- c. To manage, monitor and enforce all of the Debtors' and the Estates' rights, and interests under the Plan, the Confirmation Order, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, any other agreements of the Debtors, and any other Orders of the Bankruptcy Court;
- d. To establish, maintain and adjust as may be appropriate, the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, and to authorize and make disbursements from the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, including disbursements necessary or appropriate in connection with winding down the Estate;
- e. To authorize and make, through the Distribution Agent, distributions to holders of Allowed Claims as provided for or contemplated under the Plan;
- f. To authorize and make, through the Distribution Agent, distribution to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests as provided for or contemplated under the Plan or Liquidation Trust Agreement;
- g. Except to the extent set forth in the Plan, to object to any Claims regardless of whether such Claim was Disputed on the Effective Date, to compromise or settle any Claim regardless of whether such Claim was Disputed on the Effective Date, prior to objection without supervision or approval of the Bankruptcy Court, free of any restriction of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the local rules of the Bankruptcy Court, and the guidelines and requirements of the U.S. Trustee, other than those restrictions expressly imposed by the Plan, the Confirmation Order or the Liquidation Trust Agreement;
- h. To make decisions, without further Bankruptcy Court approval, regarding the retention or engagement of professionals, employees and consultants by the Liquidation Trust and the Liquidation Trustee

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and to pay the fees and charges incurred by the Liquidation Trustee on the Liquidation Trust's behalf on or after the Effective Date for fees and expenses of professionals (including those retained by the Liquidation Trustee), disbursements, expenses or related support services relating to the Liquidation Trust;

- i. To (a) file, if necessary, any and all tax and information returns required with respect to the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust pursuant to Treas. Reg. 1.671-4(a) or otherwise, (b) make tax elections by and on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, and (c) pay taxes, if any, payable by the Liquidation Trust;
- j. To take all other actions not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan that the Liquidation Trustee deems reasonably necessary or desirable with respect to administering the Plan;
- k. To implement and/or enforce all provisions of the Plan, including entering into any agreement or executing any document required by or consistent with the Plan, the Confirmation Order or the Liquidation Trust Agreement;
- To abandon in any commercially reasonable manner, including abandonment or donation to a charitable organization of its choice, any Liquidation Trust Asset in the reasonable business judgment of the Liquidation Trustee; provided, however, that such charitable organization shall not have any connection to the Liquidation Trustee, or to the Debtors;
- m. Except as otherwise set forth herein, to prosecute and/or settle any Retained Causes of Action, with or without approval of the Bankruptcy Court, and exercise, participate in or initiate any proceeding before the Bankruptcy Court or any other court of appropriate jurisdiction and participate as a party or otherwise in any administrative, arbitrative or other nonjudicial proceeding and pursue to settlement or judgment such Retained Causes of Action;
- To purchase or create and carry all insurance policies and pay all insurance premiums and costs the Liquidation Trustee deems necessary or advisable;
- o. To collect and liquidate and/or distribute all Liquidation Trust Assets pursuant to the Plan, the Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement;
- p. To hold any legal title to any and all of the Liquidation Trust Assets;
- q. If any of the Liquidation Trust Assets are situated in any state or other jurisdiction in which the Liquidation Trustee is not qualified

to act as trustee, to nominate and appoint a Person duly qualified to act as trustee in such state or jurisdiction and require from each such trustee such security as may be designated by the Liquidation Trustee in its discretion; confer upon such trustee all of the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the Liquidation Trustee hereunder, subject to the conditions and limitations of the Liquidation Trust Agreement, except as modified or limited by the Liquidation Trustee and except where the conditions and limitations may be modified by the laws of such state or other jurisdiction (in which case, the laws or the state or jurisdiction in which the trustee is acting shall prevail to the extent necessary); require such trustee to be answerable to the Liquidation Trustee for all monies, assets and other property that may be received in connection with the administration of all property; and remove such trustee, with or without cause, and appoint a successor trustee at any time by the execution by the Liquidation Trustee of a written instrument declared such trustee removed from office, and specifying the effective date and time of removal;

- r. Retain any and all Insurance Policies of the Debtors providing coverage with respect to Retained Causes of Action; and
- s. Exercise such other powers as may be vested in or assumed by the Liquidation Trustee pursuant to the Plan, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Confirmation Order, other orders of the Bankruptcy Court, or as may be necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of the Plan.

Solely with respect to any Liquidation Trust Asset, the Liquidation Trustee shall stand in the same position as the Debtors with respect to any claim the Debtors may have to an attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, or any other privilege, and the Liquidation Trustee shall succeed to all of the Debtors' rights to preserve, assert or waive any such privilege.

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i. Tax Treatment of the Liquidation Trust. The Liquidation Trust shall be structured to qualify as a "liquidating trust" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 301.7701-4(f) and in compliance with Revenue Procedure 94-45, and thus, as a "grantor trust" within the meaning of Sections 671 through 679 of the Tax Code. Accordingly, the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests shall be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) as direct recipients of undivided interests in the Liquidation Trust Assets (other than to extent the Liquidation Trust Assets are allocable to Disputed Claims) and as having immediately contributed such assets to the Liquidation Trust, and (ii) thereafter, as the grantors and deemed owners of the Liquidation Trust and thus, the direct owners of an undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets (other than such Liquidation Trust Assets that are allocable to Disputed Claims).

#### ii. Tax Reporting.

- a. The Liquidation Trustee shall file tax returns for the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.671-4(a) and in accordance with this section of the Plan. The Liquidation Trust's items of taxable income, gain, loss, deduction, and/or credit (other than such items allocable to any assets allocable to, or retained on account of, Disputed Claims) will be allocated to each holder in accordance with their relative ownership of Beneficial Trust Interests.
- b. As soon as possible after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall make a good faith valuation of the Liquidation Trust Assets, and such valuation shall be used consistently by all parties for all federal income tax purposes. The Liquidation Trust shall also file (or cause to be filed) any other statements, returns or disclosures relating to the Liquidation Trust that are required by any Government Unit for taxing purposes.
- c. The Liquidation Trust shall be responsible for payment, out of the Liquidation Trust Assets, of any taxes imposed on the Liquidation Trust (including any "disputed ownership fund") or the Liquidation Trust Assets. In accordance therewith, any taxes imposed on any disputed ownership fund or its assets will be paid out of the assets of the disputed ownership fund and netted against any subsequent distribution in respect of the allowance or disallowance of such Claims.
- d. The Liquidation Trustee (i) may timely elect to treat any Liquidation Trust Assets allocable to Disputed Claims as a "disputed ownership fund" governed by Treasury Regulation Section 1.468B-9, and (ii) to the extent permitted by applicable law, shall report consistently for state and local income tax purposes. If a "disputed ownership fund" election is made, all parties (including the Liquidation Trustee and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) shall report for United States federal, state and local income tax purposes consistently with the foregoing. The Liquidation Trustee shall file all income tax returns with respect to any income attributable to a "disputed ownership fund" and shall pay the federal, state and local income taxes attributable to such disputed ownership fund based on the items of income, deduction, credit, or loss allocable thereto.
- iii. Retained Causes of Action. The Liquidation Trustee shall have the sole right to pursue any existing or potential Retained Causes of Action, by informal demand and/or commencement or continuation of litigation.

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- iv. <u>Costs and Expenses of the Liquidation Trust</u>. The costs and expenses of the Liquidation Trust, including the fees and expenses of the Liquidation Trustee and other professionals retained on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, shall be paid out of the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, subject to the terms of the Liquidation Trust Agreement.
- v. <u>Effective Date</u>. On the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall have the rights and powers set forth herein, in the Confirmation Order and in the Liquidation Trust Agreement to carry out and implement the purposes and intent of the Plan
- 3.5.4 <u>Dissolution of Liquidation Trust.</u> The Liquidation Trust shall be dissolved no later than five (5) years from the Effective Date, unless the Bankruptcy Court, upon motion made prior to the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) anniversary of the Effective Date without the need for a favorable letter ruling from the IRS that any further extension would not adversely affect the status of either as a Liquidation Trust for federal income tax purposes, determines that a fixed period extension, not to exceed five (5) years, is necessary to facilitate or complete the recovery on and liquidation of the Liquidation Trust Assets. Upon the filing of any motion for an extension of the date of dissolution, such date shall be deemed automatically extended, without the necessity for the entry of a bridge order, until an order of the Bankruptcy Court is entered with respect to such or motion or such motion is withdrawn.
- 3.5.5 <u>Liquidation Trust Security Matters.</u> To the extent that the Beneficial Trust Interests are deemed to be "securities," the issuance of such interests under this Plan are exempt pursuant to section 1145 of the Bankruptcy Code, and from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and any applicable U.S. federal, state and local laws requiring registration of securities. It is currently anticipated that the Beneficial Trust Interests will be uncertificated and non-transferable except to the extent expressly provided otherwise in the Liquidation Trust Agreement.
- 3.5.6 <u>Tax Returns.</u> After the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall complete and file all final or otherwise required federal, state, and local tax returns for the Debtors, and, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 505(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, may request an expedited determination of any unpaid tax liability of the Debtors or their Estates for any tax incurred during the administration of such Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases, as determined under applicable tax laws.
- 3.5.7 <u>Cancellation of Existing Securities.</u> Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or any agreement, instrument or other document incorporated in the Plan, on the Effective Date, the obligations of the Debtors pursuant, relating or pertaining to any agreements, indentures, certificates of designation, bylaws or certificate or articles of incorporation or similar documents governing the shares, certificates, notes and purchase rights, options, warrants or other instruments or documents evidencing or creating any indebtedness or obligation of the Debtors related thereto shall be cancelled and deemed null and void; <u>provided, however</u>, notwithstanding Confirmation or the occurrence of the Effective Date, any such indenture or agreement that governs the rights of the holder of a Claim against the Debtors shall continue in effect solely for purposes of enabling holders of Allowed Claims to receive distributions under the Plan as provided herein; <u>provided</u>,

<u>further</u>, <u>however</u>, that the preceding provision shall not result in any expense or liability to the Debtors, except to the extent set forth in or provided for under this Plan.

- **3.5.8** <u>Indemnification Obligations.</u> Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, the Confirmation Order, any and all indemnification obligations of the Debtors, whether pursuant to a contract, instrument, agreement, certificate of incorporation, by-law, comparable organizational document, or other document or applicable law, shall be rejected as of the Effective Date of the Plan.
- 3.5.9 Effectuating Documents; Further Transactions. Prior to the Effective Date, the Debtors and its directors, members, trustees, officers, and managers are and, after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee, is authorized to and may issue, execute, deliver, file, or record such contracts, Securities, instruments, releases, and other agreements or documents and take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate, implement, and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan in the name of and on behalf of the Debtors, without the need for any approvals, authorizations, or consents, except for those expressly required pursuant to the Plan, or any further notice to or action, order, or approval of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 3.5.10 Exemption from Certain Taxes and Fees. Pursuant to section 1146(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, any transfers of property pursuant hereto shall not be subject to any document recording tax, stamp tax, conveyance fee, intangibles or similar tax, mortgage tax, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax, Uniform Commercial Code filing or recording fee, filing or recording fee, or other similar tax or governmental assessment, and the appropriate state or local governmental officials or agents shall forego the collection of any such tax or governmental assessment and to accept for filing and recordation any of the foregoing instruments or other documents without the payment of any such tax or governmental assessment.
- 3.5.11 Treatment of Causes of Action. Unless any Causes of Action against an Entity are expressly waived, relinquished, exculpated, released, compromised, or settled in the Plan or a Bankruptcy Court order, the Debtors reserve and assigns to the Liquidation Trust, any and all Retained Causes of Action, whether arising before or after the Petition Date, and preserve the right to commence, continue, prosecute, or settle such Retained Causes of Action, notwithstanding the occurrence of the Effective Date. The Liquidation Trustee, on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, may pursue such Retained Causes of Action, in its sole discretion. No Entity may rely on the absence of a specific reference in the Plan, the Plan Supplement, or the Disclosure Statement to any Retained Cause of Action against them as any indication that the Liquidation Trust will not pursue any and all available Retained Causes of Action against them. No preclusion doctrine, including the doctrines of *res judicata*, collateral estoppel, issue preclusion, claim preclusion, estoppel (judicial, equitable or otherwise), or laches, shall apply to such Causes of Action as a consequence of Confirmation or Consummation.
- 3.5.12 <u>Ability to Seek and Obtain Discovery.</u> From and after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall have the ability to seek and obtain examination (including document discovery and depositions) under Bankruptcy Rule 2004 against any Person or Entity, and the Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction to order examinations (including examinations under Bankruptcy Rule 2004) against any Person or Entity, and to hear all matters with respect to the same.

3.5.13 <u>Debtors' Directors, Officers, Members and Managers</u>. On the Effective Date, all officers, directors, members, and managers of the Debtors shall be deemed to have been terminated without cause and shall be discharged from any further duties and responsibilities in such capacity. On after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall serve as the sole officer, sole director, sole member or sole manager of the Debtors, but he or she shall retain and enforce Retained Causes of Action as the representative of the Estates in his or her capacity as the Liquidation Trustee under the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1123(b) and not as an officer, director, member or manager of the Debtors. Any and all operating agreements, certificates of organization, and related corporate documents are deemed amended by the Plan to permit and authorize such sole appointment.

#### 3.5.14 <u>Debtors' Existence.</u>

From and after the Effective Date, the Debtors shall continue in existence for the purpose of winding up their affairs as expeditiously as practicable. Upon the Effective Date, all transactions and applicable matters provided under the Plan shall be deemed to be authorized by the Debtors without any requirement of further action by any Debtor. On and after the Effective Date, the Debtors' remaining assets and affairs shall be administered and managed by the Liquidation Trustee in accordance with the Plan.

Upon the Effective Date, the Debtors shall be deemed to be dissolved without any further action by the Debtors or the Liquidation Trustee, including the filing of any documents in any office in any jurisdiction where the Debtors are organized. However, the Liquidation Trustee shall have the authority to take all necessary action to dissolve any Debtor. Further, upon the aforementioned certification and entry of Final Decree, the Liquidation Trustee shall be authorized, in his sole discretion, to discard or destroy any and all of the Debtors' books and records. Upon the Effective Date, the Debtors shall turn over its books and records to the Liquidation Trustee

**3.5.15** <u>Corporate Authority.</u> The Confirmation Order shall constitute full and complete authority for the Debtors and Liquidation Trust to take all other actions that may be necessary, useful or appropriate to consummate the Plan without any further judicial or corporate authority.

#### 3.6 FUNDING AND DISBURSEMENTS

- **3.6.1** <u>Disbursing Agent.</u> The Distribution Agent, on behalf of the Debtors and/or Liquidation Trustee, shall make all distributions under the Plan on account of Allowed Claims against the Debtors pursuant to the terms of the Plan, Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement, <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that all Allowed Professional Fee Claims shall be paid out of the Professional Fee Claim Reserve. All distributions to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests shall be made by the Distribution Agent. The Distribution Agent shall act at the direction of the Liquidation Trustee.
- **3.6.2** Cash Payments. Cash payments made pursuant to the Plan shall be in U.S. funds, by the means agreed to by payor and payee, including by check or wire transfer or, in the

absence of an agreement, such commercially reasonable manner as the Liquidation Trustee shall determine in his or her sole discretion.

**3.6.3** <u>Distribution for Allowed Claims</u>. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, or as otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, distributions to Allowed Claims shall be made on the Distribution Date.

No holder of a Disputed Claim shall be entitled to a distribution from the Liquidation Trustee, the Liquidation Trust, the Debtors or the Estates with respect to such Disputed Claim unless and until such Disputed Claim becomes an Allowed Claim, and no holder of a Disputed Claim shall have any right to interest on such Disputed Claim except as provided in the Plan. The Liquidation Trustee shall establish a reserve in Cash in the full amount of any distributions that would otherwise be payable upon any Disputed Claims if they were Allowed Claims until such time as such Disputed Claims are determined by Final Order to be Allowed or not Allowed.

3.6.4 <u>Interest and Charges</u>. No interest shall accrue or be paid on Allowed Claims.

3.6.5 Compliance with Tax Requirements. In connection with the Plan, to the extent applicable, the Liquidation Trust shall comply with all tax withholding and reporting requirements imposed on it by any Governmental Unit, and all distributions pursuant to the Plan shall be subject to such withholding and reporting requirements. Notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, the Liquidation Trust shall be authorized to take all actions necessary or appropriate to comply with such withholding and reporting requirements, including liquidating a portion of the distribution to be made under the Plan to generate sufficient funds to pay applicable withholding taxes, withholding distributions pending receipt of information necessary to facilitate such distributions, including, without limitation, requiring that the holder of an Allowed Claim complete the appropriate IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9, as applicable to each holder or establishing any other mechanisms they believe are reasonable and appropriate. The Liquidation Trust reserves the right to allocate all distributions made under the Plan in compliance with applicable wage garnishments, alimony, child support and other spousal awards, liens and encumbrances.

The Liquidation Trust shall not be required to make distributions on any Allowed Claim if the holder thereof has not provided all documentation, that in the Liquidation Trustee's reasonable business judgment, is necessary to determine that all tax withholding and reporting requirements for such Allowed Claim. To the extent such documentation is not provided within forty-five (45) days of the respective Distribution Date, the distribution on such Allowed Claim shall be deemed Unclaimed Property.

3.6.6 Fractional Dollars: De Minimis Distributions. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the Liquidation Trust shall not be required to make distributions or payments of fractions of dollars, and whenever any payment of a fraction of a dollar under the Plan would otherwise be called for, the actual payment made shall reflect a rounding down of such fraction to the nearest whole dollar. In addition, the Liquidation Trustee shall not be required to make any distribution in an amount less than \$50.00. To the extent that such a distribution shall

be called for as part of any interim distribution, the Liquidation Trust shall establish a reserve for all distributions in the amount of less than \$50.00 and shall, when and if the holder of an Allowed Claim is entitled to a distribution of \$50.00 or more, make such distribution at such time. The Liquidation Trust shall not be required to make any Final Distribution of less than \$50.00 and all monies otherwise payable in such amount shall be paid to the other holders of Allowed Claims, in accordance with the terms of the Plan, the Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement.

3.6.7 <u>Delivery of Distributions to Holders of Allowed Claims</u>. Distributions to holders of Allowed Claims shall be made at the address set forth in the Schedules unless such addresses are superseded by proofs of claim or transfers of claims filed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3001 or at the last known address of such holders if the Liquidation Trustee has been notified in writing of a change of address. If the distribution to any holder of an Allowed Claim is returned to the Liquidation Trustee as undeliverable or otherwise unclaimed, such Unclaimed Property shall be held in a reserve as set forth in Section V.H of the Plan.

3.6.8 <u>Unclaimed Distributions</u>. If any distribution to holders of an Allowed Claim or Beneficial Trust Interest is unclaimed or returned as undeliverable, such Unclaimed Property shall be held by the Liquidation Trustee in the Unclaimed Property Reserve for a period of forty-five (45) days. Once the distribution to holders of Allowed Claims or Beneficial Trust Interests becomes Unclaimed Property, the Liquidation Trustee shall, subject to the limitations set forth herein, (i) hold such Unclaimed Property in the Unclaimed Property Reserve solely for the benefit of such holder or holders who have failed to claim such Unclaimed Property, and (ii) release the Unclaimed Property from the Unclaimed Property Reserve and deliver to the holder entitled thereto upon presentation of proper proof by such holder of its entitlement thereto. After the expiration of forty-five (45) days, the holders of Allowed Claims or Beneficial Trust Interests entitled to such Unclaimed Property shall cease to be entitled thereto and shall be entitled to no further distributions under the Plan, and such Allowed Claims shall be deemed disallowed and expunged in their entirety and the funds shall become Liquidation Trust Assets and redistributed to the other holders of Allowed Claims in accordance with the terms of this Plan, Confirmation Order and Liquidation Trust Agreement. Such funds shall not be subject to the escheat laws of any state.

If there is any residual Unclaimed Property at the time of dissolution of the Liquidation Trust, such residual Unclaimed Property shall be available for a subsequent distribution on a *pro rata* basis to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests or donated to a charitable organization at the sole discretion of the Liquidation Trust.

Nothing contained in the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan, or the Confirmation Order shall require the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee, the Liquidation Trust, or the Distribution Agent to attempt to locate any holder of an Allowed Claim or Beneficial Trust Interest.

**3.6.9** No Penalty Claims. Unless otherwise specifically provided for in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, no holder of any Claim will be entitled to allowance of, or to receive any payment on account of, any penalty arising with respect to or in connection with such Claim and any such penalty shall be deemed disallowed and expunged; except for penalties arising in

connection with tax claims, to the extent such penalties are allowed by § 507(a)(8)(G) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- **3.6.10** Setoffs and Recoupment. The Liquidation Trust may, but shall not be required to, setoff against or recoup from any Claims of any nature whatsoever that the Debtors may have against the claimant pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 558 or otherwise, but neither the failure to do so nor the allowance of any Claim hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release by the Debtors or the Liquidation Trust of any such Claim it may have against the holder of such Claim. The Liquidation Trustee shall provide notice to any affected claimant of the setoff or recoupment.
- **3.6.11** <u>Distributions by Liquidation Trust</u>. The Liquidation Trust shall not be obligated to make a distribution on account of the Beneficial Interests that would impair the ability of the Liquidation Trust to pay the expenses incurred by the Liquidation Trust.

#### 3.6.12 Claims Paid or Payable by Third Parties.

- a. Claims Paid by Third Parties. Following the filing of a notice of claim satisfaction and service of the same upon the holder of such Claim, the Liquidation Trustee shall reduce in full a Claim, and such Claim shall be disallowed without a Claim objection having to be Filed and without any further notice to or action, order or approval of the Bankruptcy Court, to the extent that the holder of such Claim receives payment in full on account of such Claim from a party that is not the Debtors or Liquidation Trust. To the extent a holder of such Claim receives a distribution on account of such Claim and receives payment from a party that is not the Debtors or the Liquidation Trust on account of such Claim, such holder shall repay, return or deliver any distribution to the Liquidation Trust, to the extent the holder's total recovery on account of such Claim from the third party and under the Plan exceeds the amount of such Claim as of the date of any such distribution under the Plan. The Liquidation Trust and the Debtors' Estates reserve all of their rights, remedies, claims and actions against any such holders who fail to repay or return any such distribution.
- b. Claims Payable by Third Parties. No distributions under the Plan shall be made on account of an Allowed Claim that is payable pursuant to the Debtors' Insurance Policies until the holder of such Allowed Claim has exhausted all remedies with respect to such Insurance Policy. To the extent that one or more of the Debtors' insurers agrees to satisfy in full or in part a Claim, then immediately upon such insurers' payment, the applicable portion of such Claim shall be deemed satisfied, or partially satisfied, as applicable, and notice of such satisfaction shall be filed by the Litigation Trustee and served on the holder of such Claim.
- **c.** <u>Applicability of Insurance Policies.</u> Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, distributions to holders of Allowed Claims shall be in accordance with the provisions of any applicable Insurance Policy.

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## 3.7 TREATMENT OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES

**3.7.1** Rejection of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases. On the Effective Date, all Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases shall be deemed rejected as of the Effective Date, unless such Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease: (i) was assumed or rejected previously by the Debtors; (ii) previously expired or terminated pursuant to its own terms; or (iii) is the subject of a motion to assume Filed on or before the Effective Date.

Entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute a Bankruptcy Court order approving the rejection of such Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 365(a) and 1123. Unless otherwise indicated, rejection of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases pursuant to the Plan shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

3.7.2 Claims Based on Rejection of Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases. Proofs of Claim with respect to Claims arising from the rejection of Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases, if any, must be Filed with the Bankruptcy Court within twenty-one (21) days after the earlier of (a) service of Notice of the Effective Date, or (b) service of notice of entry of an order of the Bankruptcy Court (other than the Confirmation Order) approving the rejection of a particular Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease on the counterparty thereto. The Notice of the Effective Date shall indicate that all Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases that do not fall into one of the three clauses set forth in Article VI.A of the Plan are deemed rejected as of the Effective Date. The Notice of Effective Date shall also set forth the deadline for filing Proofs of Claim with respect to the same and shall be served on counterparties to such rejected contracts. Absent order of the Court to the contrary, any Claims arising from the rejection of an Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease not filed by the applicable deadline will not be considered Allowed and such person or entity shall not be treated as a creditor for purposes of distributions under the Plan. Claims arising from the rejection of the Debtors' Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases shall be classified as General Unsecured Claims and shall be treated in accordance with Class 4 of the Plan, which information shall be included in the Notice of the Effective Date.

#### 3.8 RELEASE, INJUNCTION AND RELATED PROVISIONS

- 3.8.1 <u>Liabilities to, and Rights of, Governmental Units.</u> Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, nothing in the Confirmation Order or the Plan discharges, releases, precludes, or enjoins: (1) any liability to any Governmental Unit that is not a Claim; (2) any Claim of a Governmental Unit arising after the Effective Date; (3) any police power or regulatory liability to a Governmental Unit that any Entity would be subject to as the owner or operator of any property after the Effective Date; (4) the rights of any Governmental Unit with respect to the transfer or assignment of any license, permit, registration, authorization, or approval, in each case, to the extent provided under applicable law; and/or (5) any liability to a Governmental Unit on the part of any Entity. Nothing in the Plan divests any tribunal of any jurisdiction it may have under police or regulatory law.
- **3.8.2** Release of Liens. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, the Plan Supplement, or any contract, instrument, release, or other agreement or document created pursuant to the Plan, on the Effective Date and concurrently with the applicable distributions made pursuant

to the Plan and, in the case of a Secured Claim, satisfaction in full of the portion of the Secured Claim that is Allowed as of the Effective Date, and required to be satisfied pursuant to the Plan, all mortgages, deeds of trust, Liens, pledges, or other security interests against any property of the Estates shall be fully released, settled and compromised and all of the right, title, and interest of any holder of such mortgages, deeds of trust, Liens, pledges, or other security interests shall revert automatically to the Debtors and their successors and assigns. Any holder of such Secured Claim (and the applicable agents for such holder) shall be authorized and directed to release any collateral or other property of the Debtors (including any cash collateral and possessory collateral) held by such holder (and the applicable agents for such holder), and to take such actions as may be reasonably requested by the Liquidation Trustee to evidence the release of such Lien, including the execution, delivery, and filing or recording of such releases. The presentation or Filing of the Confirmation Order to or with any federal, state, provincial, or local agency or department shall constitute good and sufficient evidence of, but shall not be required to effect, the termination of such Liens

- 3.8.3 Exculpation. Effective as of the Effective Date, no Exculpated Party shall have or incur, and each Exculpated Party is hereby exculpated from, any Exculpated Claim or any obligation, Cause of Action, or liability for any Exculpated Claim; provided, however, that the foregoing exculpation shall have no effect on the liability of any person or Entity that results from any act or omission based on or arising out of gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct.
- 3.8.4 Releases by the Debtor. Pursuant to section 1123(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and to the fullest extent authorized by applicable law, and except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan, including, without limitation the Retained Causes of Action, for good and valuable consideration, the adequacy of which is hereby confirmed, on and after the Effective Date, each Released Party is expressly, unconditionally, generally and individually and collectively released, and acquitted by the Debtors and their Estates from any and all actions, claims, obligations, rights, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, remedies, Causes of Action, and liabilities of any nature whatsoever, or any other claim against any Released Party, asserted on behalf of the Debtors, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, matured or unmatured, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, existing or hereinafter arising, in law, equity, or otherwise, whether for tort, contract, violations of federal or state securities laws, or otherwise, that the Debtors or their Estates would have been legally entitled to assert in their own right (whether individually or collectively) or on behalf of the holder of any Claim or Interest or other Entity, based on or relating to, or in any manner arising from, in whole or in part, the purchase, sale or rescission of the purchase or sale of, or any other transaction relating to any Security of the Debtors, the Debtors, the Debtors' restructuring efforts, the Chapter 11 Cases, the Plan, the subject matter of, or the transactions or events giving rise to, any Claim or Interest that is treated in the Plan, the business or contractual arrangements between any Debtor and any Released Party, the restructuring of Claims and Interests before or in the Chapter 11 Cases, the negotiation, formulation, or preparation of the Plan or related agreements, instruments or other documents (including, for the avoidance of doubt, providing any legal opinion requested by any Entity regarding any transaction, contract, instrument, document, or other agreement contemplated by the Plan or the reliance by any Released Party on the Plan or the Confirmation Order in lieu of such legal opinion), upon any other act or omission,

transaction, agreement, event, or other occurrence taking place on or before the Effective Date; <u>provided</u>, <u>however</u>, that the foregoing releases shall have no effect on the liability of any person or Entity that results from any act or omission based on or arising out of gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct; and provided further that nothing herein shall act as a release of a direct claim any holder of a Claim or Interest or other Entity may have against any Released Party.

- Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the 3.8.5 Injunction. Confirmation Order, as of the Effective Date, all Entities that have held, hold or may hold any Interest in the Debtors or a Claim, Cause of Action, or other debt or liability against the Debtors or against any Released Party that have been released and/or exculpated under the this Plan (the "Released Claims and Interests") are permanently enjoined from taking any of the following actions against the Debtors, the Estates, the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trustee, the Liquidation Trust Assets, or the Released Parties or their respective predecessors, successors and assigns, subsidiaries, Affiliates, current (as of the Effective Date) directors, officers, principals, shareholders, members, partners, employees, agents, advisory board members, financial advisors, attorneys, accounts, investment bankers, consultants, representatives, and other Professionals solely in their respective capacities as such or any property of the same, on account of such Released Claims and Interests: (i) commencing or continuing, in any manner or in any place, any action or other proceeding; (ii) enforcing, attaching, collecting or recovering in any manner any judgment, award, decree or order; (iii) creating, perfecting or enforcing any lien or encumbrance; (iv) asserting any right of setoff (other than setoffs exercised prior to the Petition Date), or subrogation of any kind against any debt, liability or obligation on account of or in connection with or with respect to any Released Claims or Interests; and (v) commencing or continuing in any manner or in any place, any action that does not comply with or is inconsistent with this provision; provided, however, that the foregoing injunction shall have no effect on the liability of any person or Entity that results from any act or omission based on or arising out of gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct.
- 3.8.6 <u>Term of Injunctions or Stays</u>. Unless otherwise provided in the Plan or in the Confirmation Order, all injunctions or stays in effect in the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 105 or 362 or any order of the Bankruptcy Court, and existent on the Confirmation Date (excluding any injunctions or stays contained in the Plan or the Confirmation Order), shall remain in full force and effect until the Effective Date. All injunctions or stays contained in the Plan or the Confirmation Order shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms.

#### 3.9 CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CONSUMMATION OF THE PLAN

- **3.9.1** Conditions Precedent to the Effective Date. It shall be a condition to the Effective Date of the Plan that the following conditions shall have been satisfied or waived, as applicable:
  - a. the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Confirmation Order; provided that in accordance with Bankruptcy Rules 3020(e), 6004(h), and 6006(d) (and notwithstanding any other provision of the Bankruptcy Code or the

- Bankruptcy Rules), the Confirmation Order shall not be stayed and shall be effective immediately upon its entry;
- all documents and agreements necessary to implement the Plan, shall have
   (a) all conditions precedent to the effectiveness of such documents and agreements satisfied or waived pursuant to the terms of such documents or agreements,
   (b) been tendered for delivery, and
   (c) been effected or executed;
- c. the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve and the Professional Fee Claim Reserve shall have been funded consistent with the terms of the Plan:
- d. the Liquidation Trust shall have been established in accordance with the Liquidation Trust Agreement and shall have been funded with the Liquidation Trust Assets; and
- e. all actions, documents, certificates and agreements necessary to implement this Plan shall have been effected or executed and delivered to the required parties and, to the extent required, Filed with the applicable Governmental Units in accordance with applicable laws;
- 3.9.2 <u>Waiver of Conditions</u>. The conditions to Consummation set forth in Article IX of the Plan may be waived only by prior consent of the Debtors without notice, leave, or order of the Bankruptcy Court or any formal action other than the proceedings to confirm or consummate the Plan. Upon the occurrence of all the conditions to Confirmation and Consummation set forth in Article IX of the Plan, the Debtors shall immediately declare the Effective Date and file the Notice of Effective Date.
- 3.9.3 Effect of Failure of Conditions. Unless expressly set forth herein, if the Consummation of the Plan does not occur on or before the date that is thirty days following the Confirmation Date, the Plan shall be null and void in all respects and nothing contained in the Plan or the Disclosure Statement shall: (1) constitute a waiver or release of any Claims by the Debtors; (2) prejudice in any manner the rights of the Debtors or (3) constitute an admission, acknowledgment, offer or undertaking by the Debtors, any holder of any Claim or any other Entity in any respect.

#### 3.10 MODIFICATION, REVOCATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF THE PLAN

3.10.1 Modification and Amendments. Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan, the Debtors reserve the right to modify the Plan, whether such modification is material or immaterial, and seek Confirmation consistent with the Bankruptcy Code. Subject to certain restrictions and requirements set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 1127 and Bankruptcy Rule 3019 (as well as those restrictions on modifications set forth in the Plan), the Debtors expressly reserves its rights, to revoke or withdraw, to alter, amend or modify the Plan, one or more times, after Confirmation, and, to the extent necessary, may initiate proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court to so alter, amend or modify the Plan, or remedy any defect or omission or reconcile any inconsistencies in the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Confirmation Order, in

such matters as may be necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of the Plan. The U.S. Trustee shall receive notice of any modification to the Plan be they material or immaterial.

- **3.10.2** Effect of Confirmation on Modifications. Entry of a Confirmation Order shall mean that all modifications or amendments to the Plan since the solicitation thereof are approved pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1127(a) and do not require additional disclosure or re-solicitation under Bankruptcy Rule 3019.
- 3.10.3 Revocation or Withdrawal of Plan. The Debtors reserve the right to revoke or withdraw the Plan before the Confirmation Date and to file a subsequent plan. If the Debtors revoke or withdraw the Plan, or if Confirmation or Consummation does not occur, then: (I) the Plan shall be null and void in all respects; (2) any settlement or compromise embodied in the Plan (including the fixing or limiting to an amount certain of the Claims or Interests or Class of Claims or Interests), assumption or rejection of Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases effected by the Plan, and any document or agreement executed pursuant to the Plan, shall be deemed null and void and (3) nothing contained in the Plan shall: (a) constitute a waiver or release of any Claim or Interest; (b) prejudice in any manner the rights of the Debtors, any holder of a Claim or Interest or any other Entity or (c) constitute an admission, acknowledgement, offer or undertaking of any sort by the Debtors, any holder or any other Entity.

#### 3.11 RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

Notwithstanding the entry of the Confirmation Order and the occurrence of the Effective Date, on and after the Effective Date, the Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction over all matters arising out of, or related to, the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a) and 1142; provided, however, that nothing in the Plan shall grant the Bankruptcy Court any jurisdiction which it lacked prior to the Effective Date.

#### 3.12 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

- **3.12.1** <u>Immediate Binding Effect</u>. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rules 3020(e), 6004(h) or 7062 or otherwise, upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, the terms of the Plan shall be immediately effective and enforceable and deemed binding upon the Debtors and any and all present and former holders of Claims or Interests (irrespective of whether their Claims or Interests are deemed to have accepted the Plan), all Entities that are parties to or are subject to the settlements, compromises, releases and injunctions described in the Plan, each Entity acquiring property under the Plan, any and all non-Debtor parties to Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases with the Debtors each of respective successors and assigns of the foregoing persons and Entities.
- **3.12.2** Additional Documents. On or before the Effective Date, the Debtors may file with the Bankruptcy Court such agreements and other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan. The Debtors and all holders receiving distributions pursuant to the Plan and all other parties in interest may, from time to time, prepare, execute and deliver any agreements or documents and take any other actions as may be necessary or advisable to effectuate the provisions and intent of the Plan.

- **3.12.3** Reservation of Rights. Except as expressly set forth in the Plan, the Plan shall have no force or effect unless the Bankruptcy Court enters the Confirmation Order, and the Confirmation Order shall have no force or effect if the Effective Date does not occur. None of the Filing of the Plan, any statement or provision contained in the Plan or the taking of any action by the Debtors, with respect to the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Plan Supplement shall be or shall be deemed to be an admission or waiver of any of their respective rights with respect to the holders of Claims and Interests or each other before the Effective Date.
- **3.12.4** Successors and Assigns. The rights, benefits and obligations of any Entity named or referred to in the Plan shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of any heir, executor, administrator, successor, or assign, if any, of such Entity.
- **3.12.5** Notices. To be effective, all notices, requests and demands to or upon the Debtors shall be in writing. Unless otherwise expressly provided h1erein, notice shall be deemed to have been duly given or made when actually delivered or when received and telephonically confirmed, addressed to the following:

#### The Debtors:

InVivo Therapeutics Corporation
InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp.
1500 District Avenue
Burlington, MA 01803
Attention: Richard Christopher, Chief Financial Officer

with a mandated copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Counsel to Debtors and Debtors-In-Possession:

Landis Rath & Cobb LLP 919 N. Market Street, Suite 1800 Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Attention: Matthew B. McGuire, Esq.

Joshua B. Brooks, Esq.

Telephone: 302-467-4400 Telecopier: 302-467-4450

Email: mcguire@lrclaw.com

brooks@lrclaw.com

- **3.12.6** Entire Agreement. Except as otherwise indicated, the Plan supersedes all previous and contemporaneous negotiations, promises, covenants, agreements, understandings, and representations on such subjects, all of which have become merged and integrated into the Plan.
- **3.13.7** Exhibits. All exhibits and documents included in the Plan are incorporated into and are a part of the Plan as if set forth in full in the Plan. After the exhibits and documents

are filed, copies of such exhibits and documents shall be available upon written request to the Debtors' counsel at the address above, from the Notice, Claims and Balloting Agent's website at https://kccllc.net/invivo or by downloading such exhibits and documents from the Bankruptcy Court's website at http://www.deb.uscourts.gov. To the extent any exhibit or document is inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, unless otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, the non-exhibit or non-document portion of the Plan shall control.

- 3.12.8 Severability of Plan Provisions. If, before Confirmation, any term or provision of the Plan is held by the Bankruptcy Court to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the Bankruptcy Court shall have the power to alter and interpret such term or provision to make it valid or enforceable to the maximum extent practicable, and such term or provision shall then be applicable as altered or interpreted. Notwithstanding any such holdings, alterations or interpretations, the remainder of the terms and provisions of the Plan will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated by such holdings, alterations or interpretations. The Confirmation Order shall constitute a judicial determination and shall provide that each term and provision of the Plan, as it may have been altered or interpreted in accordance with the foregoing, is: (1) valid and enforceable pursuant to its terms; (2) integral to the Plan and may not be deleted or modified without the Debtors' consent; and (3) non-severable and mutually dependent.
- 3.12.9 Votes Solicited in Good Faith. Once the Confirmation Order becomes a Final Order, the Debtors will be deemed to have solicited votes on the Plan in good faith and in compliance with the Bankruptcy Code, and pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1125(e), the Debtors and its agents, representatives, members, principals, shareholders, officers, directors, employees, advisors and attorneys will be deemed to have participated in good faith and in compliance with the Bankruptcy Code in the offer, issuance, sale and purchase of Securities offered and sold under the Plan and any previous plan and, therefore, no such parties, individuals or the Debtors will have any liability for the violation of any applicable law, rule or regulation governing the solicitation of votes on the Plan or the offer, issuance, sale or purchase of the Securities offered and sold under the Plan or any previous plan.
- **3.12.10** Closing of Chapter 11 Case. The Liquidation Trust shall promptly, after the full administration of the Chapter 11 Case, File with the Bankruptcy Court all documents required by Bankruptcy Rule 3022 and Local Rule 3022-1 and file a motion, as required by Local Rule 3022-1(a), to close the Chapter 11 Cases after it has been fully administered.
- **3.12.11** No Admission Against Interest. Neither the filing of the Plan, the Disclosure Statement, nor any statement contained therein, is or shall be deemed an admission against interest. In the event that the Plan is not consummated, neither the Plan, the Disclosure Statement nor any statement contained therein may be used or relied upon in any manner in any suit, action, proceeding or controversy within or outside the Bankruptcy Court involving the Debtors.
- **3.12.12** No Waiver. Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, nothing set forth in this Plan or the Disclosure Statement shall be deemed a waiver or release of any claims, rights or Causes of Action against any Person other than the Debtors.

- **3.12.13** Governing Law. Except to the extent the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules or other federal law is applicable, or to the extent otherwise provided in the Plan, the rights and obligations arising under the Plan, shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of Delaware, without giving any effect to the principles of conflicts of law or such jurisdiction.
- **3.12.14** Conflicts. Except as set forth in the Plan, to the extent that any provision of the Disclosure Statement or any other document or any exhibits, schedules, appendices, supplements, or amendments of any document referenced in the Plan (the "Plan Related Documents") conflict with or are in any way inconsistent with any provision of the Plan, the Plan shall govern and control; provided that, with respect to any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Plan Related Documents on the one hand, and the Confirmation Order on the other, the Confirmation Order shall govern.
- **3.12.15** No Discharge. Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan or Confirmation Order, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1141(d)(3), the Debtors will not receive a discharge.

#### IV. <u>FEASIBILITY</u>

#### 4.1 FINANCIAL FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS.

- **4.1.1** The Bankruptcy Code Standard. The Bankruptcy Code requires that, in order to confirm the Plan, the Bankruptcy Court must find that Confirmation of the Plan is not likely to be followed by the liquidation or the need for further financial reorganization of the Debtors unless contemplated by the Plan.
- **4.1.2** No Need for Further Reorganization of the Debtors. The Plan provides for the liquidation or distribution of all of the Debtors' Assets. Accordingly, the Debtors believe that all Plan obligations will be satisfied without the need for further reorganization of the Debtors.

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#### V. <u>ALTERNATIVES TO THE PLAN</u>

#### 5.1 CHAPTER 7 LIQUIDATION

**5.1.1** The Bankruptcy Code Standard. Notwithstanding acceptance of the Plan by the requisite number of Creditors of any Class, the Bankruptcy Court must still independently determine that the Plan provides each member of each Impaired Class of Claims and Interests a recovery that has a value at least equal to the value of the distribution that each such Person would receive if the Debtors were liquidated under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code on the Effective Date.

In chapter 7 liquidation cases, unsecured creditors and interest holders of a debtor are paid from available assets generally in the following order, with no junior Class receiving any payments until all amounts due to senior Classes have been paid fully or any such payment is provided for: (i) Secured creditors (to the extent of the value of their collateral); (ii) Administrative and other priority creditors; (iii) Unsecured creditors; (iv) Debt expressly subordinated by its terms or by order of the Bankruptcy Court; and (v) Interest holders.

5.1.2 The Plan is in the Best Interests of Creditors. The Debtors believe that the Plan satisfies the best interests of creditors test because the Debtors believe that the Plan provides a greater recovery to the holders of Claims than such holders would receive under a liquidation under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. For example, if a chapter 7 trustee were to be appointed in these cases, he or she likely would require considerable time and incur substantial fees and expenses, including a fee for the trustee of approximately 3% of the value of all property distributed in the chapter 7 case and the fees of the trustee's professionals in analyzing the Debtors' case and assets. Given that the Liquidation Trustee will likely be an individual that has worked on and is familiar with this Chapter 11 Cases, the Debtors believe that the Liquidation Trustee and its professionals would be substantially more cost effective and efficient than a chapter 7 trustee that would need considerable time and resources to get up to speed, and thus, diminish the potential recovery to holders of Claims. In addition, a chapter 7 case would trigger a new bar date for filing claims that would be more than 90 days following conversion of the case to chapter 7. Fed. R. Bankr. P. 3002(c). This raises the prospect of additional claims that were not asserted in the Chapter 11 Cases.

Importantly, in these cases, substantially all of the Debtors' assets already have been liquidated through the sale conducted by the Debtors. The only assets remaining are the Liquidation Trust Assets which will be distributed pursuant to the terms of the Plan. The Debtors have few, if any, other assets (other than Retained Causes of Action) that could be liquidated for value by a chapter 7 trustee. Therefore, the Debtors believe that there would be no purpose to converting these cases to chapter 7 and doing so would bring no benefit to Creditors, while imposing significant additional and unnecessary expenses and delays on the Debtors' Estates – thereby negatively affecting creditor recoveries. Accordingly, in accordance with the Liquidation Analysis attached hereto, the Debtors believe that the Plan provides a greater recovery to the holders of Claims than such holders would receive under a liquidation under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code and therefore is in the best interests of the Debtors' creditors.

#### **5.2** ALTERNATIVE PLAN(S)

If the Plan is not confirmed, the Debtors or other Persons could attempt to formulate and propose a different plan. The Debtors believe that the Plan, as described herein, enables holders of Claims or Interests to realize the greatest possible value under the circumstances, and that compared to any alternative plan, the Plan has the greatest chance to be confirmed and consummated.

#### VI. CERTAIN U.S. FEDERAL INCOME TAX CONSEQUENCES OF THE PLAN

#### A. GENERAL

The following discussion summarizes certain material U.S. federal income tax consequences of the implementation of the Plan to the Debtors and to certain holders of Allowed Claims and Interests. This summary does not address the federal income tax consequences to holders of Claims and Interests who are entitled to payment in full in Cash.

This summary is based on the Tax Code, existing and proposed Treasury Regulations, judicial decisions, and published administrative rules and pronouncements of the IRS as in effect on the date hereof, all of which are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis. Any such change could significantly affect the U.S. federal income tax consequences described below.

The Debtors have not requested an opinion of counsel or a ruling from the IRS with respect to any of the tax aspects of the Plan. This discussion does not address foreign, state, or local tax consequences of the Plan, nor does it purport to address the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Plan to special classes of taxpayers (e.g., foreign taxpayers, small business investment companies, regulated investment companies, real estate investment trusts, banks and certain other financial institutions, insurance companies, tax-exempt organizations, retirement plans, individual retirement and other tax-deferred accounts, holders that are, or hold Claims or Interest through, S corporations, partnerships or other pass-through entities for U.S. federal income tax purposes, persons whose functional currency is not the U.S. dollar, dealers in securities or foreign currency, traders that mark-to-market their securities, persons subject to the alternative minimum tax or the "Medicare" tax on unearned income, persons who use the accrual method of accounting and report income on an "applicable financial statement," and persons holding Claims or Interests that are part of a straddle, hedging, constructive sale, or conversion transaction). In addition, this discussion does not address U.S. federal taxes other than income taxes, nor does it address the Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act. Creditors who are non-U.S. Holders should consult their own tax advisors with respect to the tax consequences of the Plan applicable to them.

The following discussion generally assumes that the Plan will be treated as a plan of liquidation of the Debtors for U.S. federal income tax purposes, and that all Distributions to holders of Claims will be taxed accordingly.

ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING SUMMARY IS FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR CAREFUL TAX PLANNING OR FOR ADVICE BASED UPON THE PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES PERTAINING TO A HOLDER OF A CLAIM. EACH HOLDER OF A CLAIM OR EQUITY INTEREST IS URGED TO CONSULT ITS OWN TAX ADVISORS FOR THE FEDERAL, STATE,

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## LOCAL AND FOREIGN INCOME AND OTHER TAX CONSEQUENCES APPLICABLE TO IT UNDER THE PLAN.

#### **B. CONSEQUENCES TO THE DEBTORS**

1. <u>Cancellation of Debt Income</u>. In general, absent an exception, a taxpayer will realize and recognize cancellation of indebtedness income ("<u>CODI</u>") upon satisfaction of its outstanding indebtedness for total consideration less than the amount of such indebtedness. The amount of CODI, in general, is the excess of (1) the adjusted issue price of the indebtedness satisfied, over (2) the fair market value of any consideration given in satisfaction of such indebtedness at the time of the exchange.

Under section 108 of the Tax Code, a taxpayer is not required to include CODI in gross income (a) if the taxpayer is under the jurisdiction of a court in a case under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code and the discharge of debt occurs pursuant to that case (the "Bankruptcy Exception"), or (b), to the extent that the taxpayer is insolvent immediately before the discharge (the "Insolvency Exception"). Instead, as a consequence of such exclusion, a taxpayer-debtor must reduce its tax attributes by the amount of CODI that it excluded from gross income. In general, tax attributes will be reduced in the following order: (a) net operating losses ("NOLs"); (b) most tax credits; (c) capital loss carryovers; (d) tax basis in assets (but not below the amount of liabilities to which the debtor remains subject); (e) passive activity loss and credit carryovers; and (f) foreign tax credits. Alternatively, the taxpayer can elect first to reduce the basis of its depreciable assets pursuant to section 108(b)(5) of the Tax Code.

Under section 108(d)(6) of the Tax Code, when an entity, such as the Debtors, that is taxed as a partnership realizes CODI, its partners are treated as receiving their allocable share of such CODI and the Bankruptcy Exception and the Insolvency Exception (and related attribute reduction) are applied at the partner level rather than at the entity level. Accordingly, the holders of Interests will be treated as receiving their allocable share, if any, of the CODI realized by the Debtors.

2. <u>Transfer of Assets to Liquidation Trust and Dissolution of the Debtors</u>. The Debtors' transfer of assets to the Liquidation Trust may result in the recognition of gain or loss by the Debtors, depending in part on the value of such assets on the date of such transfer to the Liquidation Trust relative to the Debtors' adjusted tax basis in such assets.

#### C. CONSEQUENCES TO HOLDERS OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS

Pursuant to the Plan, each holder of an Allowed General Unsecured Claim, ARE Subordinate Claim and Interest (for purposes of this section, the forgoing, the "<u>Trust Paid Claims</u>") will receive, in full and final satisfaction of its applicable claim, a Beneficial Trust Interest representing such holder's right to receive its *pro rata* share of certain Liquidation Trust Assets. As discussed below (see Section D.—"Tax Treatment of the Liquidation Trust and Holders of Beneficial Interests"), each holder of an Allowed Trust Paid Claim that receives a beneficial interest in the Liquidation Trust will be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as directly receiving, and as a direct owner of, an undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets consistent with its economic rights in the trust.

1. Realization and Recognition of Gain or Loss. In general, a holder of an Allowed Trust Paid Claim will recognize gain or loss with respect to its Allowed Trust Paid Claim in an amount equal to the difference between (i) the sum of the amount of any Cash and the fair market value of its undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets consistent with its economic rights in the trust received in respect of its Claim (other than any consideration attributable to a Claim for accrued but unpaid interest or original issue discount ("OID")) and (ii) the adjusted tax basis of the Claim exchanged therefor (other than any tax basis attributable to accrued but unpaid interest or accrued OID previously included in the holder's taxable income). Pursuant to the Plan, the Liquidation Trust will in good faith value the assets transferred to the Liquidation Trust, and all parties to the Liquidation Trust (including holders of Trust Paid Claims receiving Beneficial Trust Interests) must consistently use such valuation for all U.S. federal income tax purposes. As discussed below, the amount of Cash or other property received in respect of an Allowed Trust Paid Claim for accrued but unpaid interest will be taxed as ordinary income, except to the extent previously included in income by a holder under its method of accounting. See Section C.2. below—"Distributions in Respect of Accrued But Unpaid Interest or OID."

In the event of the subsequent disallowance of any Disputed Claim or Interest or the reallocation of undeliverable distributions, it is possible that a holder of a previously Allowed Claim may receive additional distributions in respect of its Claim. Accordingly, it is possible that the recognition of any loss realized by a holder with respect to an Allowed Trust Paid Claim may be deferred until all Trust Paid Claims are Allowed or Disallowed. Alternatively, it is possible that a holder will have additional gain in respect of any additional distributions received. See also Section D.3.—"Tax Treatment of the Liquidation Trust and Holders of Beneficial Interests – Tax Reporting for Assets Allocable to Disputed Claims," below.

After the Effective Date, a holder's share of any collections received on the assets of the Liquidation Trust (other than as a result of the subsequent disallowance of Disputed Claims or the reallocation of undeliverable distributions) should not be included, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, in the holder's amount realized in respect of its Allowed Claim but should be separately treated as amounts realized in respect of such holder's ownership interest in the underlying assets of the Liquidation Trust.

If gain or loss is recognized, such gain or loss may be long-term capital gain or loss if the Trust Paid Claim disposed of is a capital asset in the hands of the holder and has been held for more than one year. Each holder of a Trust Paid Claim should consult its tax advisor to determine whether gain or loss recognized by such holder will be long-term capital gain or loss and the specific tax effect thereof on such holder. The character of any gain or loss depends on, among other things, the origin of the holder's Allowed Trust Paid Claim, when the holder receives payment in respect of such Allowed Trust Paid Claim, whether the holder reports income using the accrual or cash method of tax accounting, whether the holder acquired its Allowed Trust Paid Claim at a discount, whether the holder has taken a bad debt deduction with respect to such Allowed Trust Paid Claim, and/or whether (as intended and herein assumed) the Plan implements the liquidation of the Debtors for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

A holder's aggregate tax basis in its undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets will equal the fair market value of such interest increased by its share of the Debtors' liabilities to which such assets remain subject upon transfer to the Liquidation Trust, and a holder's holding period

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generally will begin the day following establishment of the Liquidation Trust.

2. <u>Distributions in Respect of Accrued Interest or OID</u>. In general, to the extent any amount received (whether stock, Cash, or other property) by a holder of a debt instrument is received in satisfaction of accrued interest or OID accrued during its holding period, such amount will be taxable to the holder as ordinary interest income (if not previously included in the holder's gross income under the holder's normal method of accounting). Conversely, a holder generally recognizes a deductible loss to the extent any accrued interest or OID was previously included in its gross income and is not paid in full. However, the IRS has privately ruled, in the case of a tax-free exchange, that a holder could not claim an ordinary deduction with respect to any accrued OID. It is unclear whether the same result would obtain in the case of a taxable transaction.

You are urged to consult your own tax advisor regarding the allocation of consideration received under the Plan, as well as the deductibility of accrued but unpaid interest (including OID) and the character of any loss claimed with respect to accrued but unpaid interest (including OID) previously included in gross income for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

## D. TAX TREATMENT OF THE LIQUIDATION TRUST AND HOLDERS OF BENEFICIAL INTERESTS

1. Classification of the Liquidation Trust. The Liquidation Trust is intended to qualify as a "liquidating trust" for U.S. federal income tax purposes (other than in respect of any portion of the Liquidation Trust Assets allocable to, or retained on account of, Disputed Claims, as discussed below). In general, a liquidating trust is not a separate taxable entity but rather is treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a "grantor" trust (i.e., a pass-through entity). The IRS, in Revenue Procedure 94-45, 1994-2 C.B. 684, set forth the general criteria for obtaining an IRS ruling as to the grantor trust status of a liquidating trust under a chapter 11 plan. The Liquidation Trust will be structured with the intention of complying with such general criteria. Pursuant to the Plan, and in conformity with Revenue Procedure 94-45 all parties (including, without limitation, the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee and holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) shall treat the transfer of Liquidation Trust Assets to the Liquidation Trust as (1) a transfer of the Liquidation Trust Assets (subject to any obligations relating to those assets) directly to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests (other than to the extent Liquidation Trust Assets are allocable to Disputed Claims), followed by (2) the transfer by such beneficiaries to the Liquidation Trust of Liquidation Trust Assets in exchange for Beneficial Trust Interests. Accordingly, except in the event of contrary definitive guidance, holders of Beneficial Trust Interests shall be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes as the grantors and owners of their respective share of Liquidation Trust Assets (other than such Liquidation Trust Assets as are allocable to Disputed Claims). While the following discussion assumes that the Liquidation Trust would be so treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes, no ruling will be requested from the IRS concerning the tax status of the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust. Accordingly, there can be no assurance that the IRS would not take a contrary position to the classification of the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust. If the IRS were to challenge successfully such classification, the U.S. federal income tax consequences to the Liquidation Trust and the holders of Claims could vary from those discussed herein.

2. <u>General Tax Reporting by the Liquidation Trust and holders of Beneficial Trust Interests</u>. For all U.S. federal income tax purposes, all parties must treat the Liquidation Trust as a grantor

trust of which the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests are the owners and grantors, and treat the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests, as the direct owners of an undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets (other than any assets allocable to Disputed Claims), consistent with their economic interests therein. The Liquidation Trustee will file tax returns for the Liquidation Trust treating the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.671-4(a). The Liquidation Trustee also shall annually send to each holder of a Beneficial Trust Interest a separate statement regarding the receipts and expenditures of the Liquidation Trust as relevant for U.S. federal income tax purposes.

Allocations of taxable income, gain, loss, deduction, and/or credit of the Liquidation Trust (other than such items allocable to any assets allocable to, or retained on account of, Disputed Claims, if such items are otherwise accounted for in a "disputed ownership fund") among the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests will be determined based on each holder's relative ownership of Beneficial Trust Interests.

As soon as reasonably practicable after the transfer of the Liquidation Trust Assets to the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trust shall make a good faith valuation of the Liquidation Trust Assets. All parties to the Liquidation Trust (including, without limitation, the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee, and holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) must consistently use such valuation for all U.S. federal income tax purposes. The valuation will be made available, from time to time, as relevant for tax reporting purposes.

Taxable income or loss allocated to a holder of Beneficial Trust Interests will be treated as income or loss with respect to such holder's undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets, and not as income or loss with respect to its prior Allowed General Unsecured Claim. The character of any income and the character and ability to use any loss will depend on the particular situation of the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests.

The U.S. federal income tax obligations of a holder with respect to its Beneficial Trust Interest are not dependent on the Liquidation Trust distributing any Cash or other proceeds. Thus, a holder may incur a U.S. federal income tax liability with respect to its allocable share of the Liquidation Trust's income even if the Liquidation Trust does not make a concurrent distribution to the holder. In general, other than in respect of Cash retained on account of Disputed Claims and distributions resulting from undeliverable distributions (the subsequent distribution of which still relates to a holder's Allowed Trust Paid Claim), a distribution of Cash by the Liquidation Trust will not be separately taxable to a holder of Beneficial Trust Interests since the beneficiary is already regarded for U.S. federal income tax purposes as owning the underlying assets (and was taxed at the time the Cash was earned or received by the Liquidation Trust). Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the appropriate U.S. federal income tax treatment of any subsequent distributions of Cash originally retained by the Liquidation Trust on account of Disputed Claims.

The Liquidation Trustee will comply with all applicable governmental withholding requirements (see Article V.E. the Plan). Thus, in the case of any holders of Beneficial Trust Interests that are not U.S. persons, the Liquidation Trustee may be required to withhold up to 30% of the income or proceeds allocable to such persons, depending on the circumstances (including whether the type of income is subject to a lower treaty rate). As indicated above, the foregoing

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discussion of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Plan does not generally address the consequences to non-U.S. holders; accordingly, such holders should consult their tax advisors with respect to the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Plan, including owning an interest in the Liquidation Trust.

3. Tax Reporting for Assets Allocable to Disputed Claims. Subject to definitive guidance from the IRS or a court of competent jurisdiction to the contrary (including the receipt by the Liquidation Trustee of an IRS private letter ruling if the Liquidation Trustee so requests one, or the receipt of an adverse determination by the IRS upon audit if not contested by the Liquidation Trustee), the Liquidation Trustee (A) may elect to treat any Liquidation Trust Assets allocable to, or retained on account of, Disputed Claims (i.e., a Disputed Claim Reserve) as a "disputed ownership fund" governed by Treasury Regulations Section 1.468B-9, if applicable, and (B) to the extent permitted by applicable law, will report consistently for state and local income tax purposes. Accordingly, if a "disputed ownership fund" election is made with respect to a Disputed Claim Reserve, such reserve will be subject to tax annually on a separate entity basis on any net income earned with respect to the Liquidation Trust Assets (including any gain recognized upon the disposition of such assets). All distributions from such reserves (which distributions will be net of the expenses, including taxes, relating to the retention or disposition of such assets) will be treated as received by holders in respect of their Claims as if distributed by the Debtors. All parties (including, without limitation, the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) will be required to report for tax purposes consistently with the foregoing. A Disputed Claim Reserve will be responsible for payment, out of the assets of the Disputed Claim Reserve, of any taxes imposed on the Disputed Claim Reserve or its assets. In the event, and to the extent, any Cash in the Disputed Claim Reserve is insufficient to pay the portion of any such taxes attributable to the taxable income arising from the assets of such reserve (including any income that may arise upon the distribution of the assets in such reserve), assets of the Disputed Claim Reserve may be sold to pay such taxes.

#### E. WITHHOLDING ON DISTRIBUTIONS, AND INFORMATION REPORTING

All distributions to holders of Allowed Trust Paid Claims under the Plan are subject to any applicable tax withholding, including employment tax withholding. Under U.S. federal income tax law, interest, dividends, and other reportable payments may, under certain circumstances, be subject to "backup withholding" at the then applicable withholding rate (currently 24%). Backup withholding generally applies if the holder (a) fails to furnish its social security number or other taxpayer identification number, (b) furnishes an incorrect taxpayer identification number, (c) fails properly to report interest or dividends, or (d) under certain circumstances, fails to provide a certified statement, signed under penalty of perjury, that the tax identification number provided is its correct number and that it is not subject to backup withholding. Backup withholding is not an additional tax but merely an advance payment, which may be refunded to the extent it results in an overpayment of tax. Certain persons are exempt from backup withholding, including, in certain circumstances, corporations and financial institutions. Holders of Allowed Trust Paid Claims are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding the Treasury Regulations governing backup withholding and whether the transactions contemplated by the Plan would be subject to these Treasury Regulations.

In addition, a holder of an Allowed Trust Paid Claim or a holder of Beneficial Trust Interests that is a not a U.S. person may be subject to up to 30% withholding, depending on, among other things, the particular type of income and whether the type of income is subject to a lower treaty rate. As to certain Claims, it is possible that withholding may be required with respect to Distributions by the Debtors even if no withholding would have been required if payment was made prior to the Chapter 11 Cases. A non-U.S. holder may also be subject to other adverse consequences in connection with the implementation of the Plan. As discussed above, the foregoing discussion of the U.S. federal income tax consequences of the Plan does not generally address the consequences to non-U.S. holders. Non-U.S. holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding potential withholding on Distributions by the Debtors or payments from the Liquidation Trust.

In addition, Treasury Regulations generally require disclosure by a taxpayer on its U.S. federal income tax return of certain types of transactions in which the taxpayer participated, including, among other types of transactions, certain transactions that result in the taxpayer's claiming a loss in excess of specified thresholds. Holders are urged to consult their tax advisors regarding these Treasury Regulations and whether the transactions contemplated by the Plan would be subject to these Treasury Regulations and require disclosure on the holder's tax returns.

#### VII. RISK FACTORS

Holders of Claims or Interests should read and carefully consider the following factors, as well as the other information set forth in this Disclosure Statement, before making a judgment with respect to voting to either accept or reject the Plan.

#### 6.1 CERTAIN BANKRUPTCY CONSIDERATIONS

Even if all Impaired voting classes vote to accept the Plan and the requirements for "cramdown" are met, the Court may exercise substantial discretion and may choose not to confirm the Plan. Bankruptcy Code section 1129 requires, among other things, that the value of distributions to dissenting holders of Claims or Interests may not be less than the value such holders would receive if the Debtors was liquidated under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. Although the Debtors believe that the Plan will meet such requirement, there can be no assurance that the Court will reach the same conclusion.

Any objection to the Plan by a member of a class of Claims or Interests could also prevent confirmation of the Plan or delay such Confirmation for a significant period of time.

If the Plan is not confirmed or is confirmed but does not go effective, it is unclear what distribution, if any, holders of Allowed Claims ultimately would receive with respect to their Claims. If the amount of Claims is greater than that upon which the Debtors are aware of as of the date hereof, the recovery to Holders of Allowed Claim may decrease. Finally, the Debtors have not independently ascribed any value to the Retained Causes of Action (including Avoidance Actions).

#### 6.2 CLAIMS ESTIMATION & CASH AVAILABLE AFTER DISTRIBUTION

There can be no assurance that the estimated amounts of Claims and Interests set forth herein are correct, and the actual allowed amounts of Claims and Interests may differ from the estimates. The estimated amounts are subject to certain risks, uncertainties and assumptions, including, without limitation, that unanticipated proofs of claim are filed against the Estates prior to the Bar Dates and such Claims are either not subject to a valid objection by the Debtors or such objections are overruled by the Bankruptcy Court.

#### VIII. CONCLUSION

It is important that you exercise your right to vote on the Plan. It is the Debtors belief and recommendation that the Plan fairly and equitably provides for the treatment of all Claims and Interests against the Debtors. In the opinion of the Debtors, the Plan is preferable to any potential alternatives described in this Disclosure Statement because the Plan provides for a larger distribution to the holders of Allowed Claims than would otherwise result in a liquidation under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. In addition, any alternative other than Confirmation of the Plan could result in extensive delays and increased administrative expenses resulting in smaller distributions to holders of Allowed Claims than proposed under the Plan. Accordingly, the Debtors recommends that holders of Claims entitled to vote on the Plan support Confirmation of the Plan and vote to accept the Plan.

Dated: April 8, 2024 Respectfully Submitted,

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## **EXHIBIT A**

## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

In re

INVIVO THERAPEUTICS CORPORATION, et al., 1

Debtors.

Chapter 11

Case No. 24-10137 (MFW)

(Jointly Administered)

# JOINT PLAN OF LIQUIDATION OF INVIVO THERAPEUTICS CORPORATION AND INVIVO THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS CORP. PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 11 OF THE BANKRUPTCY CODE

NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL CONSTITUTE AN OFFER, ACCEPTANCE, COMMITMENT, OR LEGALLY BINDING OBLIGATION OF ANY DEBTOR OR ANY OTHER PARTY IN INTEREST AND THIS PLAN IS SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT AND OTHER CUSTOMARY CONDITIONS. THIS PLAN IS NOT AN OFFER WITH RESPECT TO ANY SECURITIES.

PRIOR TO THE CONFIRMATION OF THIS PLAN BY THE BANKRUPTCY COURT, YOU SHOULD NOT RELY ON THE INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN, OR THE TERMS OF THIS PLAN FOR ANY PURPOSE

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#### **INTRODUCTION**

InVivo Therapeutics Corporation and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession, in the above-captioned Chapter 11 Cases propose this joint chapter 11 plan. The Chapter 11 Cases have been consolidated for procedural purposes only and are being jointly administered pursuant to an order of the Bankruptcy Court.

Holders of Claims and Interests should refer to the Disclosure Statement for a discussion of the Debtors' history, businesses, and assets, as well as a summary and description of this Plan and certain related matters. Each Debtor is a proponent of the Plan contained herein within the meaning of section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code.

# ARTICLE I DEFINED TERMS, RULES OF INTERPRETATION, COMPUTATION OF TIME AND GOVERNING LAW

#### A. Defined Terms.

As used in this Plan, capitalized terms have the meanings ascribed to them below.

- 1. "Administrative Claim" means any Claim against the Debtors or their Estates for costs and expenses of administration pursuant to sections 503(b), 507(a)(2), 507(b) or 1114(e)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, including: (a) the actual and necessary costs and expenses incurred after the Petition Date and through the Effective Date of preserving the Estates and operating the businesses of the Debtors (such as wages, salaries or commissions for services and payments for goods and other services and leased premises) and (b) all fees and charges assessed against the Estates pursuant to section 1930 of chapter 123 of the Judicial Code, provided that any Administrative Claim shall expressly exclude any Professional Fee Claim.
- 2. "Administrative Claims Bar Dates" means either (a) April 19, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. (ET) for all Administrative Claims arising, accruing or otherwise due and payable any time during the period from the Petition Date through and including March 31, 2024, or (b) thirty (30) days from service of the notice of Effective Date for all Administrative Claims arising, accruing or otherwise due and payable any time during the period from April 1, 2024 through the Effective Date, and the notice of the Effective Date shall provide notice of such Administrative Bar Date.
- 3. "Affiliate" means, with respect to any specified Entity, any other Entity that directly or indirectly, through one or more intermediaries, controls, is controlled by or is under common control with, such specified Entity. For purposes of this definition, "control" (and any similar term) means the power of one or more Entities to direct, or cause the direction of, the affairs of another Entity by reason of ownership of voting stock or by contract or otherwise.
- 4. "Allowed" means with respect to any Claim against the Debtors or their Estates (including any Administrative Claim) or portion thereof: (a) a Claim that is listed on the Debtors' Schedules, as such Schedule may be amended from time to time in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 1009 prior to the closing of the Chapter 11 Cases, as neither disputed, contingent nor unliquidated and for which no contrary Proof of Claim has been Filed and as to which no objection

to allowance thereof, or Challenge or action to reclassify, subordinate or otherwise limit recovery with respect thereto, shall have been Filed within such period of limitation fixed by this Plan, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules or Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court; (b) a Claim that is allowed pursuant to the terms of the Plan or by a Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court or by agreement of the Liquidation Trustee following the Effective Date; or (c) a Claim as to which a Proof of Claim has been Filed and as to which no objection has been Filed or Challenge or action to reclassify, subordinate or otherwise limit recovery with respect thereto has been Filed within such time period of limitation fixed by the Plan, the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules or a Final Order. Except for any Claim that is expressly Allowed herein, any Claim that has been or is hereafter listed in the Schedules as contingent, unliquidated or disputed and for which no Proof of Claim has been Filed is not considered Allowed and such person or entity shall not be treated as a creditor with respect to such Claim for the purposes of voting and distributions under the Plan.

- 5. "ARE" means ARE-MA Region No. 59, LLC.
- 6. "ARE Settlement Agreement" means that certain Lease Termination and Settlement Agreement dated as of August 28, 2023 by and between the Debtors and ARE.
- 7. "ARE Subordinated Claim" means the claim of ARE in the amount of \$54,527.00 as provided for in the ARE Settlement Agreement.
  - 8. "Available Cash" means Cash available for distribution to Holders of Allowed Claims.
- 9. "Assets" means any and all of the right, title and interest of the Debtors in and to property of whatever type or nature, including, without limitation, any real estate, buildings, structures, improvements, privileges, rights, easements, leases, subleases, licenses, goods, materials, supplies, furniture, fixtures, equipment, work in process, accounts, chattel paper, cash, deposit accounts, reserves, deposits, contractual rights, intellectual property rights, Claims, Causes of Action and any other general intangibles of the Debtors, as the case may be, including, without limitation, the Debtors' Estates.
- 10. "Avoidance Actions" means any and all Causes of Action to avoid or recover a transfer of property, or avoid an obligation incurred by the Debtors pursuant to any applicable section of the Bankruptcy Code, including Bankruptcy Code sections 542, 543, 544, 545, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 553(b), and 724(a) and any other applicable non-bankruptcy law, whether or not litigation has been commenced with respect to such Causes of Action as of the Effective Date.
  - 11. "Bankruptcy Code" means title 11 of the United States Code.
- 12. "Bankruptcy Court" means the United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Delaware having jurisdiction over the Chapter 11 Cases or any other court having jurisdiction over the Chapter 11 Cases, including, to the extent of the withdrawal of the reference under 28 U.S.C.§ 157, the United States District Court for the District of Delaware.
- 13. "Bankruptcy Rules" means the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure promulgated under section 2075 of the Judicial Code and the general, local and chambers rules of the

Bankruptcy Court.

- 14. "Beneficial Trust Interests" means a beneficial interest in the Liquidation Trust, which interest shall be uncertificated and which shall be non-transferable except as expressly provided otherwise in the Liquidation Trust Agreement.
- 15. "Business Day" means any day, other than a Saturday, Sunday or "legal holiday" (as defined in Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a)(6)).
- 16. "Cash" means cash and cash equivalents, including, but not limited to, bank deposits, wire funds, checks and legal tender of the United States of America or equivalents thereof.
- 17. "Causes of Action" means any of the Debtors' action, Claim, cause of action, controversy, demand, right, action, Lien, indemnity, guaranty, suit, obligation, liability, damage, judgment, account, defense, offset, power, privilege, license and franchise of any kind or character whatsoever, known, unknown, contingent or non-contingent, matured or unmatured, suspected or unsuspected, liquidated or unliquidated, disputed or undisputed, secured or unsecured, assertable directly or derivatively, whether arising before, on or after the Petition Date, in contract or in tort, in law or in equity, or pursuant to any other theory of law. Causes of Action also include: (a) any right of setoff, counterclaim or recoupment and any claim for breaches of duties imposed by law or in equity; (b) any Avoidance Action; (c) any Challenge; (d) any Claim or defense including fraud, mistake, duress and usury and any other defenses set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 558; and (e) any state law fraudulent transfer claim.
- 18. "Chapter 11 Cases" means the cases pending for the Debtors under chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code jointly administered under case number 24-10137 (MFW).
  - 19. "Claim" means any claim, as such term is defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(5).
- 20. "Claims Bar Date" means the date or dates established by the Bankruptcy Court in the Claims Bar Date Order by which Proofs of Claim must be Filed.
- 21. "Claims Bar Date Order" means the Order Granting Motion of the Debtors for Entry of an Order (A) Establishing Bar Dates for Filing Proofs of Claim, (B) Approving the Form and Manner for Filing Proofs of Claim and (C) Approving Notice Thereof [D.I. 124].
- 22. "Claims Objection Deadline" means the later of (a) ninety (90) days after the Effective Date, or (b) such other period of limitation as may be fixed by an order of the Bankruptcy Court.
- 23. "Class" means pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1122(a), a class of Claims against or Interests in the Debtors as set forth in Article III.
- 24. "Collateral" means any property or interest in property in the Debtors' Estates subject to a Lien to secure the payment or performance of a Claim, which Lien is not avoided under the Bankruptcy Code or applicable state laws.

- 25. "Confirmation" means the entry of the Confirmation Order on the docket of the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 26. "Confirmation Date" means the date upon which the Bankruptcy Court enters the Confirmation Order on the docket of the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 27. "Confirmation Hearing" means the hearing held by the Bankruptcy Court, as such hearing may be continued from time to time, to consider entry of the Confirmation Order pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1129.
- 28. "Confirmation Order" means the order of the Bankruptcy Court confirming the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1129.
  - 29. "Consummation" means the occurrence of the Effective Date.
  - 30. "Creditors" has the same meaning as set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 101(10).
- 31. "*Debtors*" means InVivo Therapeutics Corporation and InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp., each as a debtor and debtor-in-possession in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 32. "Disclosure Statement" means the Disclosure Statement for the Joint Plan of Liquidation of InVivo Therapeutics Corporation and InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp. Pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code, dated April 8, 2024, as amended, supplemented or modified from time to time, including all exhibits and schedules thereto and references therein that relate to the Plan, and that is prepared and distributed in accordance with the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules and any other applicable law.
- 33. "Disputed" means, any Claim against or Interest in any Debtor that is (a) listed in the Schedules as disputed, contingent or unliquidated and for which a Proof of Claim has not been Filed; (b) subject to an objection and/or request for estimation in accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 502(c) and Bankruptcy Rule 3018, which objection and/or request for estimation has not been withdrawn or determined by a Final Order; (c) held by a party that is adverse to the Debtors in any litigation or contested matter and as to which no Final Order resolving such litigation or contested matter has been entered; or (d) disallowed pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 502(d). A Claim or Interest that is Disputed as to its amount shall not be Allowed in any amount until it is no longer a Disputed Claim or Disputed Interest.
- 34. "Distribution Agent" means, from the Effective Date, any Person(s) selected by the Liquidation Trustee to make or to facilitate distributions required by this Plan.
- 35. "Distribution Date" means, with respect to (a) any Claim that is Allowed as of the Effective Date, the date that is as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date; or (b) any Claim that is Allowed after the Effective Date, a date as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter.
- 36. "Effective Date" means, with respect to the Plan, the date that is a Business Day selected by the Debtors, on which (a) the conditions to the occurrence of the Effective Date have

been met or waived in accordance with the Plan and (b) no stay of the Confirmation Order is in effect. Any action to be taken on the Effective Date may be taken on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date.

- 37. "Entity" means an entity as such term is defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(15).
- 38. "Estates" means the estates created for the Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 541.
- 39. "Exculpated Claim" means any Cause of Action, arising during the period commencing on the Petition Date through the Effective Date, related to any act or omission derived from, based upon, related to or arising from (a) the Chapter 11 Cases; (b) the formulation, preparation, dissemination, or negotiation of any document in connection with the Chapter 11 Cases, the Disclosure Statement, the Plan, and/or the Plan Supplement; (c) any contract, instrument, release, and/or other agreement or document created or entered into in connection with the subsection (a) or (b); (d) the pursuit of Consummation; and/or (e) the filing, administration, and/or implementation of the Chapter 11 Cases, the Plan or the distribution of property in connection therewith or thereunder.
- 40. "Exculpated Party" means each of: the Debtors, the directors and officers of the Debtors who served during any portion of these Chapter 11 Cases and the Debtors' professionals retained in these Chapter 11 Cases.
- 41. "Executory Contract" means a contract to which a Debtor is a party and that is subject to assumption or rejection under Bankruptcy Code section 365.
- 42. "Federal Judgment Rate" means the federal judgment rate of interest in effect as of the Petition Date.
- 43. "File" or "Filed" means file or filed with the Bankruptcy Court or its authorized designee in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 44. "Final Distribution" means the distribution under this Plan which, (a) after giving effect to such distribution, results in remaining assets held by such Liquidation Trust, including cash, of a value of less than \$500 or (b) the Bankruptcy Court determines that such distribution is the Final Distribution.
- 45. "Final Order" means, as applicable, an order or judgment of the Bankruptcy Court or other court of competent jurisdiction with respect to the relevant subject matter, which has not been reversed, stayed, modified or amended, and as to which the time to seek reconsideration or relief from judgment, appeal or seek certiorari has expired and no request for reconsideration or relief from judgment, appeal or petition for certiorari has been timely taken, or as to which any appeal that has been taken or any petition for certiorari that has been or may be filed has been resolved by the highest court to which the order or judgment could be appealed or from which certiorari could be sought or the reconsideration, relief from judgment, new trial, reargument or rehearing shall have been denied, resulted in no modification of such order or has otherwise been dismissed with

prejudice.

- 46. "General Unsecured Claim" means any Claim against a Debtor that (i) is neither Secured nor entitled to priority under the Bankruptcy Code or an order of the Bankruptcy Court and (ii) is not an Administrative Claim, a Professional Fee Claim, Priority Tax Claim, a Priority Non-Tax Claim, Other Secured Claim, ARE Subordinated Claim or an Interest.
- 47. "Governmental Claim" means any Claim against any Debtor Filed by a Governmental Unit.
- 48. "Governmental Unit" means a governmental unit as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(27).
- 49. "*Impaired*" means, with respect to a Class of Claims or Interests, a Class of Claims or Interests that is impaired within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 1124.
- 50. "Interests" means any equity security in a Debtor as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(16), including all issued, unissued, authorized or outstanding shares of capital stock of the Debtors together with any warrants, options or contractual rights to purchase or acquire such equity securities at any time and all rights arising with respect thereto.
- 51. "Interim Compensation Order" means the Order Establishing Procedures for Interim Compensation and Reimbursement of Expenses for Professionals [D. I. 85].
- 52. "Intercompany Claim" means any Claim against a Debtor held by another Debtor, provided.
  - 53. "Judicial Code" means title 28 of the United States Code, 28 U.S.C. §§ 1-4001.
  - 54. "Lien" means a lien as defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(37).
- 55. "Liquidation Trust" means the trust, of which the Liquidation Trustee shall serve as trustee, formed pursuant to this Plan, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, and the Confirmation Order.
- 56. "Liquidation Trust Agreement" means the agreement included in the Plan Supplement, as may be amended, established as of the Effective Date, setting forth the terms and conditions of the Liquidation Trust, as may be modified from time to time.
- 57. "Liquidation Trust Assets" means the Assets of the Estates as of the Effective Date, including without limitation, the Retained Causes of Action and any proceeds therefrom, except that the Liquidation Trust Assets shall expressly exclude: (i) the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve, except that any excess amounts in the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve after the payment in full or other satisfaction of all Allowed Administrative Claims (other than Professional Fee Claims), Priority Tax Claims, Other Priority Claims, and Other Secured Claims shall become Liquidation Trust Assets; and (ii) the Professional Fee Claims Reserve, except that any excess amounts in the Professional Fee Claim Reserve after payment in full or other satisfaction of Allowed Professional

Fee Claims, shall become Liquidation Trust Assets.

- 58. "Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve" shall mean the reserve established by the Debtors to satisfy in full all Administrative Claims (other than Professional Fee Claims), Priority Tax Claims, Other Priority Claims, and Other Secured Claims.
- 59. "Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve" shall mean the reserve established on or before the Effective Date comprised of Cash in an amount sufficient to satisfy the costs of administering the Liquidation Trust, and winding down the Debtors' Estates, in an amount to be set forth in the Plan Supplement (subject to replenishment or modification, as set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement), which amount shall not be less than \$150,000.00.
- 60. "Liquidation Trustee" means the trustee appointed by the Debtors, and identified in the Plan Supplement, to serve as the liquidation trustee under the Liquidation Trust Agreement, or any successor appointed in accordance with the terms of the Plan and Liquidation Trust Agreement.
  - 61. "Notice, Claims and Balloting Agent" means Kurtzman Carson Consultants LLC.
- 62. "Notice of Effective Date" means a notice to be Filed with the Bankruptcy Court by the Debtors upon the occurrence of all the conditions to Confirmation and Consummation set forth in Article IX of the Plan.
- 63. "Other Priority Claims" means any Claim against the Debtors, other than an Administrative Claim or a Priority Tax Claim, entitled to priority in right of payment under Bankruptcy Code section 507(a).
  - 64. "Other Secured Claims" means any Secured Claim that is not a Secured Tax Claim.
  - 65. "Person" means a person as such term is defined in Bankruptcy Code section 101(41).
- 66. "Petition Date" means February 1, 2024, the date on which the Debtors commenced the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 67. "Plan" means this Joint Plan of Liquidation of InVivo Therapeutics Corporation. and InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp. Pursuant to Chapter 11 of the Bankruptcy Code (as modified, amended or supplemented from time to time).
- 68. "Plan Supplement" means the compilation of documents and forms of documents, schedules, and exhibits to the Plan, whereby the Debtors will disclose the identity and affiliations of the Liquidation Trustee and file the Liquidation Trust Agreement.
- 69. "Priority Tax Claim" means any Claim against the Debtors of the kind specified in Bankruptcy Code section 507(a)(8).
  - 70. "Professional" means any Person: (a) employed pursuant to a Bankruptcy Court order

in accordance with Bankruptcy Code sections 327, 363 or 1103 and to be compensated for services rendered before or on the Effective Date, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 327, 328, 329, 330, 331 or 363 or (b) awarded compensation and reimbursement by Final Order of the Bankruptcy Court pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 503(b)(4) after motion on notice under that section of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 71. "Professional Fee Claim" means a Claim for any accrued but unpaid fees and expenses owed to a Professional pursuant to such Professional's engagement letter or otherwise under Bankruptcy Code sections 328, 330, 331, 503(b), 1103 or 503; provided that any such Professional Fee Claim shall be reduced by the amount of any retainer held by such Professional.
- 72. "Professional Fee Claim Reserve" means the reserve established by the Debtors and maintained pursuant to the terms of this Plan and the Confirmation Order to be distributed to holders of Allowed Professional Fee Claims.
- 73. "Proof of Claim" means a written proof of Claim Filed against the Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 74. "Proof of Interest" means a written proof of Interest Filed against the Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases.
- 75. "*Rejection Claim*" means a Claim against the Debtors arising from the rejection of an Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 365.
- 76. "Released Party" means the Debtors and their predecessors, successors and assigns, current and former Affiliates, subsidiaries, beneficial owners, current or former officers, directors, managers, principals, shareholders, direct and indirect equity holders, general partners, limited partners, members, employees, agents, financial advisors, attorneys, accountants, investment bankers, consultants, representatives and other professionals, in their capacity as such.
- 77. "Retained Causes of Action" means any Cause of Action other than any Cause of Action that is expressly subject to the release and exculpation provisions of this Plan.
- 78. "Schedules" means, collectively, the schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases and statements of financial affairs Filed by the Debtors pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 521, as such schedules may be amended, modified or supplemented from time to time.
- 79. "Secured" means when referring to a Claim: (a) secured by a Lien on property in which the Estates have an interest, which Lien is valid, perfected and enforceable pursuant to applicable law or by reason of a Bankruptcy Court order, or that is subject to setoff pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 553, to the extent of the value of the creditor's interest in the Estates' interests in such property or to the extent of the amount subject to setoff, as applicable, as determined pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 506(a) or (b) Allowed as such pursuant to the Plan.
  - 80. "Security" shall have the meaning set forth in section 101(49) of the Bankruptcy Code.

- 81. "Subordinated Claim" means any Claim that is subordinated, pursuant to section 510(b) of the Bankruptcy Code or otherwise, including any Claims arising from rescission of a purchase or sale of a Security of any Debtor or an Affiliate of any Debtor, which Security is not an Interest, for damages arising from the purchase or sale of such a Security, or for reimbursement or contribution allowed under section 502 of the Bankruptcy Code on account of such a Claim.
  - 82. "Tax Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.
- 83. "Unclaimed Property" means any distribution to Creditors under this Plan that are unclaimed forty-five (45) days following the date of such distribution under this Plan.
- 84. "Unclaimed Property Reserve" means any Unclaimed Property reserved for a period of forty-five (45) days by the Liquidation Trustee on behalf of holders of Unclaimed Property.
- 85. "Unexpired Lease" means a lease to which the Debtor is a party that is subject to assumption or rejection under Bankruptcy Code section 365.
- 86. "Unimpaired" means, with respect to a Class of Claims or Interests, a Class of Claims or Interests that is not impaired within the meaning of Bankruptcy Code section 1124.
  - 87. "U.S. Trustee" means the United States Trustee for Region 3.
  - 88. "Voting Deadline" means 11:59 p.m. (prevailing Eastern Time) on May , 2024.

# B. Rules of Interpretation and Computation of Time.

For purposes of this Plan: (1) in the appropriate context, each term, whether stated in the singular or the plural, shall include both the singular and the plural, and pronouns stated in the masculine, feminine or neuter gender shall include the masculine, feminine and the neuter gender; (2) any reference herein to a contract, lease, instrument, release, indenture or other agreement or document being in a particular form or on particular terms and conditions means that the referenced document shall be substantially in that form or substantially on those terms and conditions; (3) any reference herein to an existing document, schedule or exhibit, whether or not Filed, having been Filed or to be Filed shall mean that document, schedule or exhibit, as it may thereafter be amended, modified or supplemented; (4) any reference to an Entity as a holder of a Claim or Interest includes that Entity's successors and assigns; (5) unless otherwise specified, all references herein to "Articles" are references to Articles hereof or hereto; (6) unless otherwise specified, the words "herein," "hereof" and "hereto" refer to the Plan in its entirety rather than to a particular portion of the Plan; (7) subject to the provisions of any contract, certificate of incorporation, bylaw, instrument, release or other agreement or document entered into in connection with the Plan, the rights and obligations arising pursuant to the Plan shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the applicable law, including the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules; (8) captions and headings to Articles are inserted for convenience of reference only and are not intended to be a part of or to affect the interpretation of the Plan; (9) unless otherwise specified herein, the rules of construction set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 102 shall apply; (10) all references to docket numbers of documents Filed in the Chapter 11 Cases are references to the docket numbers under the Bankruptcy Court's CM/ECF system; and (11) all references to statutes, regulations, orders, rules of courts and the like shall mean as amended from time to time, and as applicable to the Chapter 11 Cases, unless otherwise stated. Unless otherwise specifically stated herein, the provisions of Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a) shall apply in computing any period of time prescribed or allowed herein.

# C. Governing Law.

Unless a rule of law or procedure is supplied by federal law (including the Bankruptcy Code and Bankruptcy Rules) or unless otherwise specifically stated, the laws of the State of Delaware, 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).

## D. Reference to Monetary Figures.

All references in the Plan to monetary figures shall refer to currency of the United States of America, unless otherwise expressly provided.

# ARTICLE II ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMS, AND PRIORITY TAX CLAIMS

In accordance with Bankruptcy Code section 1123(a)(l), Administrative Claims and Priority Tax Claims have not been classified and, thus, are excluded from the Classes of Claims and Interests set forth in Article III.

#### A. Administrative Claims.

#### 1. Administrative Claims

Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Administrative Claim and the Debtors agree to less favorable treatment with respect to such Allowed Administrative Claim, each holder of an Allowed Administrative Claim shall be paid in full in Cash on the earlier of the date that is (a) on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the Effective Date if such Administrative Claim is Allowed as of the Effective Date or (b) on or as soon as reasonably practicable after the date such Administrative Claim is Allowed, if such Administrative Claim is not Allowed as of the Effective Date.

### 2. Professional Fee Claims

Any Person asserting a Professional Fee Claim for services rendered before the Effective Date must File and serve on the parties required in the Interim Compensation Order or any other applicable order of the Bankruptcy Court, an application for final allowance of such Professional Fee Claim no later than twenty-one (21) days after the Effective Date (with an objection period of at least twenty one days for objections, if any, to such applications); provided, however that any Professional who may receive compensation or reimbursement of expenses pursuant to the Ordinary Course Professional Order may continue to receive such compensation or reimbursement of expenses for services rendered before the Effective Date, without further Bankruptcy Court order, pursuant to the Ordinary Course Professional Order. Objections to any Professional Fee Claim must be Filed and served on the requesting party no later than thirty (30) days from the service of an application for final allowance of a Professional Fee Claim. On the Effective Date, the Professional Fee Claim Reserve shall be transferred by the Debtors to Landis Rath & Cobb LLP's IOLTA account to be held for the distribution of Allowed Professional Fee Claims. Upon entry of a Final Order approving any such application for such Professional Fee Claim, Landis Rath & Cobb LLP shall promptly distribute from the Professional Fee Claim Reserve any unpaid portion of such Allowed Professional Fee Claim. To the extent that any Cash is remaining in the Professional Fee Claim Reserve after payment in full of all Allowed Professional Fee Claims, Landis Rath & Cobb LLP shall promptly transfer any such Cash to the Liquidation Trust and such Cash shall become Liquidation Trust Assets and be treated in accordance with the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan and the Confirmation Order.

# 3. Administrative Claim Bar Dates

Requests for payment of Administrative Claims must be Filed on or before the applicable

Administrative Claims Bar Dates. Except as otherwise ordered by the Court, holders of Administrative Claims that are required to, but do not, File and serve a request for payment of such Administrative Claims by such applicable dates shall be forever barred, estopped and enjoined from asserting such Administrative Claims against the Debtors or its property and such Administrative Claims shall be deemed released against the Debtors as of the Effective Date. For the avoidance of doubt, Governmental Units asserting Administrative Claims pursuant to section 503(b)(1)(D) of the Bankruptcy Code, nor the U.S. Trustee, shall not be required to File a request for payment prior to any Administrative Claims Bar Date.

#### B. Priority Tax Claims.

Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim agrees to a less favorable treatment, each holder of an Allowed Priority Tax Claim shall receive, at the option of the Debtors, one of the following treatments: (i) Cash in an amount equal to the amount of such Allowed Priority Tax Claim, plus interest at the rate determined under applicable non-bankruptcy law and to the extent provided for by Bankruptcy Code section 511; or (ii) such other treatment (which treatment shall be no more favorable than the treatment set forth in subsection (i) of this section) as may be agreed upon by such holder and the Debtors or otherwise determined upon an order of the Bankruptcy Court. Allowed Priority Tax Claims shall be paid on or as reasonably practicable after the later of (i) the Effective Date, (ii) the date on which such Priority Tax Claim against the Debtors becomes an Allowed Priority Tax Claim, or (iii) such other date as may be ordered by the Bankruptcy Court.

#### C. Statutory Fees.

All fees due and payable pursuant to section 1930 of Title 28 of the U.S. Code ("Quarterly Fees") prior to the Effective Date shall be paid by the Debtors on the Effective Date. On and after the Effective Date, the Debtors and the Liquidation Trustee shall be shall be jointly and severally liable to pay any and all Quarterly Fees when due and payable. The Debtors shall file all quarterly reports due prior to the Effective Date when they become due, in a form reasonably acceptable to the U.S. Trustee. After the Effective Date, the Liquidating Trustee shall file with the Bankruptcy Court quarterly reports when they become due, in a form reasonably acceptable to the U.S. Trustee, which reports shall include a separate schedule of disbursements made by the Debtors during the applicable period, attested to by an authorized representative of the Debtors. Notwithstanding the substantive consolidation of the Debtors called for in the Plan, each and every one of the Debtors and the Liquidating Trustee shall remain obligated to pay Quarterly Fees to the Office of the U.S. Trustee until the earliest of that particular Debtor's Chapter 11 Case being closed, dismissed or converted to a case under Chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code.

# ARTICLE III CLASSIFICATION AND TREATMENT OF CLAIMS AND INTERESTS

## A. Classification of Claims and Interests.

Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1122, set forth below is a designation of Classes of Claims against and Interests in the Debtors. All Claims and Interests, except for Administrative Claims, Professional Fee Claims, and Priority Tax Claims are classified in the Classes set forth in this Article III. A Claim or Interest is classified in a particular Class only to the extent that the Claim or Interest qualifies within the description of that Class and is classified in other Classes to the extent that any portion of the Claim or Interest qualifies within the description of such other Classes. A Claim or Interest also is classified in a particular Class for the purpose of receiving distributions pursuant to the Plan only to the extent that such Claim or Interest is an Allowed Claim or Interest in that Class and has not been paid, released or otherwise satisfied before the Effective Date.

The classification of Claims and Interests against the Debtors pursuant to the Plan is as set forth below. The Plan shall apply as a substantively consolidated Plan for all of the Debtors. All of the potential Classes for the Debtors are set forth herein.

# B. Summary of Classification.

The following chart summarizes the classification of Claims and Interests pursuant to the Plan:

Class	<u>Claim/Interest</u>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Voting Rights</b>
1	Secured Tax Claims	Unimpaired	Deemed to Accept
2	Other Secured Claims	Unimpaired	Deemed to Accept
3	Other Priority Claims	Unimpaired	Deemed to Accept
4	General Unsecured Claims	Impaired	Entitled to Vote
5	ARE Subordinated Claims	Impaired	Entitled to Vote
6	Interests	Impaired	Entitled to Vote

#### C. *Treatment of Claims and Interests.*

To the extent a Class contains Allowed Claims or Allowed Interests with respect to a particular Debtor, the treatment provided for the holders of such Allowed Claims or Allowed Interests within each class is specified below:

#### 1. Class 1 – Secured Tax Claims

- i. Classification: Class 1 consists of all Secured Tax Claims.
- ii. *Treatment*: Each holder of an Allowed Secured Tax Claim shall receive, at the option of the Liquidation Trustee:

- a. payment in full in Cash of such holder's Allowed Secured Tax Claim; or
- b. equal semi-annual Cash payments commencing as of the Effective Date or as soon as reasonably practicable thereafter and continuing for five years, in an aggregate amount equal to such Allowed Secured Tax Claim, together with interest at the applicable non-default rate under non-bankruptcy law, subject to the option of the Liquidation Trustee to prepay the entire amount of such Allowed Secured Tax Claim during such time period; provided that, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in this Plan, until such Secured Tax Claim is paid in full, (i) the lien(s) securing such claim will remain in full force and effect notwithstanding the occurrence of the Effective Date, and (ii) the property securing such lien will not be transferred to the Liquidation Trust free and clear of such lien.
- iii. Voting: Class 1 is Unimpaired by the Plan, and each holder of a Class 1 Secured Tax Claim is conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f). Therefore, holders of Class 1 Secured Tax Claims are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 2. Class 2 – Other Secured Claims

- i. Classification: Class 2 consists of all Other Secured Claims.
- ii. *Treatment*: Each holder of an Allowed Other Secured Claim shall receive, at the option of the Liquidation Trustee, (a) payment in full in Cash of such holder's Allowed Other Secured Claim; (b) the Collateral securing such holder's Allowed Other Secured Claim; or (c) such other treatment rendering such holder's Allowed Other Secured Claim Unimpaired.
- iii. *Voting*: Class 2 is Unimpaired by the Plan, and each holder of a Class 2 Other Secured Claim is conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f). Therefore, holders of Class 2 Other Secured Claims are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

# 3. <u>Class 3 – Other Priority Claims</u>

- i. *Classification*: Class 3 consists of all Other Priority Claims.
- ii. *Treatment*: Each holder of an Allowed Other Priority Claim shall receive payment in full in Cash of such holder's Allowed Other Priority Claim from the Liquidation Trustee or such other treatment rendering such holder's Allowed Other Priority Claim Unimpaired.
- iii. *Voting*: Class 3 is Unimpaired by the Plan, and each holder of a Class 3 Other Priority Claim is conclusively presumed to have accepted the Plan pursuant to

Bankruptcy Code section 1126(f). Therefore, the holders of Class 3 Other Priority Claims are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 4. Class 4—General Unsecured Claims.

- i. Classification: Class 4 consists of all General Unsecured Claims.
- ii. *Treatment*: Except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed General Unsecured Claim agrees to less favorable treatment, each holder of such Allowed General Unsecured Claim shall receive its *pro rata* share of the Beneficial Trust Interests, which Beneficial Trust Interests shall entitle the holders thereof to receive their *pro rata* share of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- iii. *Voting*: Class 4 is Impaired by the Plan. Holders of General Unsecured Claims are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

### 5. Class 5 – ARE Subordinated Claims

- i. Classification: Class 5 consists of all ARE Subordinated Claims
- ii. *Treatment*: Only if all Class 4 claims are satisfied in full, and except to the extent that a holder of an Allowed ARE Subordinated Claim agrees to less favorable treatment, each holder of such Allowed ARE Subordinated Claim shall receive its *pro rata* share of the Beneficial Trust Interests, which Beneficial Trust Interests shall entitle the holders thereof to receive their *pro rata* share of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- iii. *Voting*: Class 5 is Impaired by the Plan. Holders of ARE Subordinated Claims are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

#### 6. Class 6—Interests

- i. *Classification*: Class 6 consists of all Interests in the Debtors.
- ii. *Treatment*: Only if all Class 5 claims are satisfied in full, and except to the extent that a holder of an Interest aim agrees to less favorable treatment, each holder of such Allowed Interest shall receive its *pro rata* share of the Beneficial Trust Interests, which Beneficial Trust Interests shall entitle the holders thereof to receive their *pro rata* share of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- iii. *Voting*: Class 6 is Impaired by the Plan. Holders of Interests are entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.
- D. Special Provision Governing Claims that are Not Impaired.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, nothing under the Plan shall affect the Debtors' rights in respect of any Claims or Interests that are not Impaired, including all rights of the Debtors in respect of legal and equitable defenses to or setoffs or recoupments against any such Claims or Interests that are not Impaired.

# E. Confirmation Pursuant to Sections 1129(a)(10) and 1129(b) of the Bankruptcy Code.

Bankruptcy Code section 1129(a)(10) shall be satisfied for purposes of Confirmation by acceptance of the Plan by at least one Impaired Class of Claims. The Debtors shall seek Confirmation of the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1129(b) with respect to any rejecting Class of Claims or Interests. The Debtors reserve the right to modify the Plan in accordance with Article X of the Plan to the extent, if any, that Confirmation pursuant to section Bankruptcy Code section 1129(b) requires modification, including by modifying the treatment applicable to a Class of Claims or Interests to render such Class of Claims or Interests Unimpaired to the extent permitted by the Bankruptcy Code and the Bankruptcy Rules.

#### F. Subordinated Claims.

Except as expressly provided herein, the allowance, classification, and treatment of all Allowed Claims and Interests and the respective distributions and treatments under the Plan take into account and conform to the relative priority and rights of the Claims and Interests in each Class in connection with any contractual, legal, and equitable subordination rights relating thereto, whether arising under general principles of equitable subordination, Bankruptcy Code section 510(b), or otherwise. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 510, the Liquidation Trust reserves the right to request that the Bankruptcy Court reclassify any Allowed Claim or Interest in accordance with any contractual, legal, or equitable subordination relating thereto.

#### G. Elimination of Vacant Classes; Presumed Acceptance by Non-Voting Classes.

Any Class of Claims or Interests that does not have a holder of an Allowed Claim or Allowed Interest or a Claim or Interest temporarily Allowed by the Bankruptcy Court in an amount greater than zero as of the date of the Confirmation Hearing shall be considered vacant and deemed eliminated from the Plan for purposes of voting to accept or reject the Plan and for purposes of determining acceptance or rejection of the Plan by such Class pursuant to section 1129(a)(8) of the Bankruptcy Code. If a Class contains Claims or Interests eligible to vote and no holders of Claims or Interests eligible to vote in such Class vote to accept or reject the Plan, the holders of such Claims or Interests in such Class shall be deemed to have accepted the Plan.

#### H. Controversy Concerning Impairment.

If a controversy arises as to whether any Claims or Interests, or any Class of Claims or Interests, are Impaired, the Bankruptcy Court shall, after notice and a hearing, determine such controversy on or before the Confirmation Date.

#### I. Acceptance or Rejection of the Plan.

## 1. Voting Classes

Classes 4, 5 and 6 are entitled to vote on the Plan.

## 2. Presumed Acceptance of the Plan

Pursuant the Bankruptcy Code, Classes 1, 2 and 3 are deemed to have accepted the Plan and are not entitled to vote to accept or reject the Plan.

# ARTICLE IV MEANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN

#### A. Vesting of Assets.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or any agreement, instrument or other document incorporated in the Plan, on the Effective Date, all of the Liquidation Trust Assets shall immediately vest in the Liquidation Trust.

## B. Sources of Consideration for Plan Distributions.

Distributions under the Plan on account of the Beneficial Trust Interests will be funded by the Liquidation Trust Assets. All other distributions under the Plan, other than distributions on account of Beneficial Trust Interests, will be funded by the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve, or the Professional Fee Claims Reserve. On the Effective Date, the Debtors shall fund the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve, the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, and Professional Fee Claims Reserve, in full in Cash.

#### C. Liquidation Trust.

- 1. Creation of Liquidation Trust. On the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trust shall be created in accordance with the Liquidation Trust Agreement for the benefit of holders of Beneficial Trust Interests. The Liquidation Trust Agreement shall (i) be in form and substance consistent in all respects with this Plan and (ii) contain customary provisions for trust agreements utilized in comparable circumstances, including any and all provisions necessary to ensure continued treatment of the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests as the grantors and owners thereof for federal tax purposes. All relevant parties (including, the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee, and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) will take all actions necessary to cause title to the Liquidation Trust Assets to be transferred to the Liquidation Trust. The powers, authority, responsibilities, and duties of the Liquidation Trust and the Liquidation Trustee are set forth and will be governed by the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan and Confirmation Order.
- 2. <u>Transfers to the Liquidation Trust</u>. On the Effective Date, the Debtors and their Estates shall transfer and shall be deemed to have irrevocably transferred to the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trust Assets, which transfer shall be free and clear of Claims, Liens, Interests, encumbrances, and contractually imposed restrictions except as otherwise provided herein.

- 3. Purpose of the Liquidation Trust. The Liquidation Trust shall be established for the primary purpose of liquidating its assets and making distributions in accordance with the Plan, Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement, with no objective to continue or engage in the conduct of a trade or business, except to the extent reasonably necessary to, and consistent with, the liquidating purposes of the Liquidation Trust. The Liquidation Trust, acting through the Liquidation Trustee, shall be authorized to exercise and perform the rights, powers, and duties held by the Estate with respect to the Liquidation Trust Assets, including, without limitation, the authority under Section 1123(b)(3) of the Bankruptcy Code, and shall be deemed to be acting in the capacity of a bankruptcy trustee, receiver, liquidator, conservator, rehabilitator, creditors' committee or any similar official who has been appointed to take control of, supervise, manage or liquidate the Debtors, to provide for the prosecution, settlement, adjustment, retention, and enforcement of the Liquidation Trust Assets.
- 4. <u>Administration of the Liquidation Trust</u>. The Liquidation Trust shall be administered by the Liquidation Trustee pursuant to the Liquidation Trust Agreement and the Plan. In the event of any inconsistency between the Plan or the Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement as such conflict relates to anything other than the establishment of a Liquidation Trust, the Plan or Confirmation Order shall control.
- 5. Appointment of Liquidation Trustee. As of the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall be appointed as trustee of the Liquidation Trust pursuant to the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan, and the Confirmation Order, and Bankruptcy Code section 1123(b)(3), and shall have all of the rights, powers, authority, and obligations set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Plan, the Confirmation Order and the Bankruptcy Code. The Liquidation Trustee shall be the exclusive trustee of the Estates under Title 11 for purposes of 31 U.S.C. § 3713(b) and 26 U.S.C. § 601(b)(3).
- 6. <u>Compensation of the Liquidation Trustee</u>. The Liquidation Trustee shall be compensated pursuant to the terms of the Liquidation Trust Agreement. Any professionals retained by the Liquidation Trustee shall be entitled to reasonable compensation for services rendered and reimbursement of expenses incurred, subject to approval by the Liquidation Trustee. The payment of fees and expenses of the Liquidation Trustee and its professionals shall be made in the ordinary course of business from the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve and shall not be subject to Bankruptcy Court approval. The identity of the Liquidation Trustee and the proposed compensation shall be disclosed in the Plan Supplement.
- 7. Responsibilities of the Liquidation Trustee. The responsibilities of the Liquidation Trustee under the Liquidation Trust Agreement and this Plan shall include those set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement, including, without limitation, the following (a) the receipt of the Liquidation Trust Assets; (b) the establishment and maintenance of such operating, reserve and trust account(s) as are necessary and appropriate to carry out the terms of the Liquidation Trust and the Plan, including the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve and Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve; (c) the investment of Cash that is a Liquidation Trust Asset; (d) the pursuit of objections to, estimation of and settlements of all Claims, regardless of whether any such Claim is listed on the Debtors' Schedules, other than Claims that are Allowed pursuant to the Plan; (e) the

prosecution, settlement or abandonment of any Retained Causes of Action; (f) unless otherwise provided in the Plan, the calculation of all distributions to be made under this Plan; (g) authorizing and making, through the Distribution Agent, all distributions to be made under this Plan, and (h) such other responsibilities as may be vested in the Liquidation Trustee pursuant to this Plan, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Confirmation Order, other Bankruptcy Court Orders, or as otherwise may be necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of this Plan.

- 8. <u>Powers of Liquidation Trustee</u>. The powers of the Liquidation Trustee, as set forth in the Liquidation Trust Agreement shall include, without limitation and without further Bankruptcy Court approval, each of the following:
  - i. To act on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, including the right to effect all actions and execute all agreements, instruments and other documents, and exercise all rights and privileges previously held by the Debtors, necessary or convenient to implement the provisions of this Plan and the Liquidation Trust Agreement;
  - ii. With respect to any Liquidation Trust Asset, to exercise in a manner not inconsistent with the Plan all power and authority that may be or could have been exercised, commence or continue all proceedings that may be or could have been commenced or continued and take all actions that may be or could have been taken by any member, officer, director or shareholder of the Debtor with like effect as if authorized, exercised and taken by unanimous action of such officers, directors and shareholders, including, without limitation, the dissolution of the Debtor;
  - iii. To manage, monitor and enforce all of the Debtors' and the Estates' rights, and interests under the Plan, the Confirmation Order, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, any other agreements of the Debtors, and any other Orders of the Bankruptcy Court;
  - iv. To establish, maintain and adjust as may be appropriate, the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, and to authorize and make disbursements from the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, including disbursements necessary or appropriate in connection with winding down the Estates;
  - v. To authorize and make, through the Distribution Agent, distributions to holders of Allowed Claims provided for or contemplated in the Plan;
  - vi. To authorize and make through the Distribution Agent, distribution to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests provided for or contemplated under the Plan or Liquidation Trust Agreement;
  - vii. Except to the extent set forth in the Plan, to object to any Claims regardless of whether such Claim was Disputed on the Effective Date, to compromise or settle any Claim regardless of whether such Claim was Disputed on the Effective Date, prior to objection without supervision or approval of the

- Bankruptcy Court, free of any restriction of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the local rules of the Bankruptcy Court, and the guidelines and requirements of the U.S. Trustee, other than those restrictions expressly imposed by the Plan, the Confirmation Order or the Liquidation Trust Agreement;
- viii. To make decisions, without further Bankruptcy Court approval, regarding the retention or engagement of professionals, employees and consultants by the Liquidation Trust and the Liquidation Trustee and to pay the fees and charges incurred by the Liquidation Trustee on the Liquidation Trust's behalf on or after the Effective Date for fees and expenses of professionals (including those retained by the Liquidation Trustee), disbursements, expenses or related support services relating to the Liquidation Trust;
- ix. To (a) file, if necessary, any and all tax and information returns required with respect to the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust pursuant to Treas. Reg. 1.671-4(a) or otherwise, (b) make tax elections by and on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, and (c) pay taxes, if any, payable by the Liquidation Trust;
- x. To take all other actions not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan that the Liquidation Trustee deems reasonably necessary or desirable with respect to administering the Plan;
- xi. To implement and/or enforce all provisions of the Plan, including entering into any agreement or executing any document required by or consistent with the Plan, the Confirmation Order or the Liquidation Trust Agreement;
- xii. To abandon in any commercially reasonable manner, including abandonment or donation to a charitable organization of its choice, any Liquidation Trust Asset in the reasonable business judgment of the Liquidation Trustee; provided, however, that such charitable organization shall not have any connection to the Liquidating Trustee, the Liquidation Trust Advisory Board members, or to the Debtors;
- xiii. Except as otherwise set forth herein, to prosecute and/or settle any Retained Causes of Action, with or without approval of the Bankruptcy Court, and exercise, participate in or initiate any proceeding before the Bankruptcy Court or any other court of appropriate jurisdiction and participate as a party or otherwise in any administrative, arbitrative or other nonjudicial proceeding and pursue to settlement or judgment such Retained Causes of Action;
- xiv. To purchase or create and carry all insurance policies and pay all insurance premiums and costs the Liquidation Trustee deems necessary or advisable;
- xv. To collect and liquidate and/or distribute all Liquidation Trust Assets pursuant to the Plan, the Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement;

- xvi. To hold any legal title to any and all of the Liquidation Trust Assets;
- If any of the Liquidation Trust Assets are situated in any state or other xvii. jurisdiction in which the Liquidation Trustee is not qualified to act as trustee, to nominate and appoint a Person duly qualified to act as trustee in such state or jurisdiction and require from each such trustee such security as may be designated by the Liquidation Trustee in its discretion; confer upon such trustee all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the Liquidation Trustee hereunder, subject to the conditions and limitations of the Liquidation Trust Agreement, except as modified or limited by the Liquidation Trustee and except where the conditions and limitations may be modified by the laws of such state or other jurisdiction (in which case, the laws or the state or jurisdiction in which the trustee is acting shall prevail to the extent necessary); require such trustee to be answerable to the Liquidation Trustee for all monies, assets and other property that may be received in connection with the administration of all property; and remove such trustee, with or without cause, and appoint a successor trustee at any time by the execution by the Liquidation Trustee of a written instrument declared such trustee removed from office, and specifying the effective date and time of removal;
- xviii. Retain any and all Insurance Policies of the Debtors providing coverage with respect to Retained Causes of Action; and
- xix. Exercise such other powers as may be vested in or assumed by the Liquidation Trustee pursuant to the Plan, the Liquidation Trust Agreement, the Confirmation Order, other orders of the Bankruptcy Court, or as may be necessary and proper to carry out the provisions of the Plan.
  - Solely with respect to any Liquidation Trust Asset, the Liquidation Trustee shall stand in the same position as the Debtors with respect to any claim the Debtors may have to an attorney-client privilege, the work-product doctrine, or any other privilege, and the Liquidation Trustee shall succeed to all of the Debtors' rights to preserve, assert or waive any such privilege.
- 9. <u>Tax Treatment of the Liquidation Trust</u>. The Liquidation Trust shall be structured to qualify as a "liquidating trust" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 301.7701-4(f) and in compliance with Revenue Procedure 94-45, and thus, as a "grantor trust" within the meaning of Sections 671 through 679 of the Tax Code. Accordingly, the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests shall be treated for U.S. federal income tax purposes (i) as direct recipients of undivided interests in the Liquidation Trust Assets (other than to extent the Liquidation Trust Assets are allocable to Disputed Claims) and as having immediately contributed such assets to the Liquidation Trust, and (ii) thereafter, as the grantors and deemed owners of the Liquidation Trust and thus, the direct owners of an undivided interest in the Liquidation Trust Assets (other than such Liquidation Trust Assets that are allocable to Disputed Claims).

# 10. Tax Reporting.

- i. The Liquidation Trustee shall file tax returns for the Liquidation Trust as a grantor trust pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.671-4(a) and in accordance with this section of the Plan. The Liquidation Trust's items of taxable income, gain, loss, deduction, and/or credit (other than such items allocable to any assets allocable to, or retained on account of, Disputed Claims) will be allocated to each holder in accordance with their relative ownership of Beneficial Trust Interests.
- ii. As soon as possible after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall make a good faith valuation of the Liquidation Trust Assets, and such valuation shall be used consistently by all parties for all federal income tax purposes. The Liquidation Trust shall also file (or cause to be filed) any other statements, returns or disclosures relating to the Liquidation Trust that are required by any Government Unit for taxing purposes.
- iii. The Liquidation Trust shall be responsible for payment, out of the Liquidation Trust Assets, of any taxes imposed on the Liquidation Trust (including any "disputed ownership fund") or the Liquidation Trust Assets. In accordance therewith, any taxes imposed on any disputed ownership fund or its assets will be paid out of the assets of the disputed ownership fund and netted against any subsequent distribution in respect of the allowance or disallowance of such Claims.
- iv. The Liquidation Trustee (i) may timely elect to treat any Liquidation Trust Assets allocable to Disputed Claims as a "disputed ownership fund" governed by Treasury Regulation Section 1.468B-9, and (ii) to the extent permitted by applicable law, shall report consistently for state and local income tax purposes. If a "disputed ownership fund" election is made, all parties (including the Liquidation Trustee and the holders of Beneficial Trust Interests) shall report for United States federal, state and local income tax purposes consistently with the foregoing. The Liquidation Trustee shall file all income tax returns with respect to any income attributable to a "disputed ownership fund" and shall pay the federal, state and local income taxes attributable to such disputed ownership fund based on the items of income, deduction, credit, or loss allocable thereto.
- 11. <u>Retained Causes of Action</u>. The Liquidation Trustee shall have the sole right to pursue any existing or potential Retained Causes of Action, by informal demand and/or commencement or continuation of litigation.
- 12. <u>Costs and Expenses of the Liquidation Trust</u>. The costs and expenses of the Liquidation Trust, including the fees and expenses of the Liquidation Trustee and other professionals retained on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, shall be paid out of the Liquidation Trust Expense Reserve, subject to the terms of the Liquidation Trust Agreement.

13. <u>Effective Date</u>. On the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall have the rights and powers set forth herein, in the Confirmation Order and in the Liquidation Trust Agreement to carry out and implement the purposes and intent of the Plan.

## D. Dissolution of Liquidation Trust.

The Liquidation Trust shall be dissolved no later than five (5) years from the Effective Date, unless the Bankruptcy Court, upon motion made prior to the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) anniversary without the need for a favorable letter ruling from the IRS that any further extension would not adversely affect the status of either as a Liquidation Trust for federal income tax purposes, determines that a fixed period extension, not to exceed five (5) years, is necessary to facilitate or complete the recovery on and liquidation of the Liquidation Trust Assets. Upon the filing of any motion for an extension of the date of dissolution, such date shall be deemed automatically extended until an order of the Bankruptcy Court is entered with respect to such or motion or such motion is withdrawn.

#### E. Liquidation Trust Security Matters.

To the extent that the Beneficial Trust Interests are deemed to be "securities," the issuance of such interests under this Plan are exempt pursuant to section 1145 of the Bankruptcy Code, and from registration under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and any applicable U.S. federal, state and local laws requiring registration of securities. It is currently anticipated that the Beneficial Trust Interests will be uncertificated and non-transferable except to the extent expressly provided otherwise in the Liquidation Trust Agreement.

#### F. Tax Returns.

After the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall complete and file all final or otherwise required federal, state, and local tax returns for the Debtors, and, pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 505(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, may request an expedited determination of any unpaid tax liability of the Debtors or their Estates for any tax incurred during the administration of such Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases, as determined under applicable tax laws.

#### G. Cancellation of Existing Securities.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or any agreement, instrument or other document incorporated in the Plan, on the Effective Date, the obligations of the Debtors pursuant, relating or pertaining to any agreements, indentures, certificates of designation, bylaws or certificate or articles of incorporation or similar documents governing the shares, certificates, notes and purchase rights, options, warrants or other instruments or documents evidencing or creating any indebtedness or obligation of the Debtors related thereto shall be cancelled and deemed null and void; provided, however, notwithstanding Confirmation or the occurrence of the Effective Date, any such indenture or agreement that governs the rights of the holder of a Claim against the Debtors shall continue in effect solely for purposes of enabling holders of Allowed Claims to receive distributions under the Plan as provided herein; provided, further, however, that the preceding provision shall not result in any expense or liability to the Debtors, except to the extent set forth in

or provided for under this Plan.

#### H. *Indemnification Obligations*.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, the Confirmation Order, any and all indemnification obligations of the Debtors, whether pursuant to a contract, instrument, agreement, certificate of incorporation, by-law, comparable organizational document, or other document or applicable law, shall be rejected as of the Effective Date of the Plan.

#### I. Effectuating Documents; Further Transactions.

Prior to the Effective Date, the Debtors and their respective directors, members, trustees, officers, and managers are and, after the Effective Date, the Post-Effective Date Debtors are authorized to and may issue, execute, deliver, file, or record such contracts, Securities, instruments, releases, and other agreements or documents and take such actions as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate, implement, and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan in the name of and on behalf of the Debtors, without the need for any approvals, authorizations, or consents, except for those expressly required pursuant to the Plan, or any further notice to or action, order, or approval of the Bankruptcy Court.

## J. Exemption from Certain Taxes and Fees.

Pursuant to section 1146(a) of the Bankruptcy Code, any transfers of property pursuant hereto shall not be subject to any document recording tax, stamp tax, conveyance fee, intangibles or similar tax, mortgage tax, real estate transfer tax, mortgage recording tax, Uniform Commercial Code filing or recording fee, filing or recording fee, or other similar tax or governmental assessment, and the appropriate state or local governmental officials or agents shall forego the collection of any such tax or governmental assessment and to accept for filing and recordation any of the foregoing instruments or other documents without the payment of any such tax or governmental assessment.

#### K. Treatment of Causes of Action.

Unless any Causes of Action against an Entity are expressly waived, relinquished, exculpated, released, compromised, or settled in the Plan or a Bankruptcy Court order, the Debtors reserve and assign to the Liquidation Trust, any and all Retained Causes of Action, whether arising before or after the Petition Date, and preserve the right to commence, continue, prosecute, or settle such Retained Causes of Action, notwithstanding the occurrence of the Effective Date. The Liquidation Trustee, on behalf of the Liquidation Trust, may pursue such Retained Causes of Action, in their sole discretion. No Entity may rely on the absence of a specific reference in the Plan, the Plan Supplement, or the Disclosure Statement to any Retained Cause of Action against them as any indication that the Liquidation Trust will not pursue any and all available Retained Causes of Action against them. No preclusion doctrine, including the doctrines of *res judicata*, collateral estoppel, issue preclusion, claim preclusion, estoppel (judicial, equitable or otherwise), or laches, shall apply to such Causes of Action as a consequence of Confirmation or Consummation.

## L. Ability to Seek and Obtain Discovery.

From and after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall have the ability to seek and obtain examination (including document discovery and depositions) under Bankruptcy Rule 2004 against any Person or Entity, and the Bankruptcy Court shall retain jurisdiction to order examinations (including examinations under Bankruptcy Rule 2004) against any Person or Entity, and to hear all matters with respect to the same.

#### M. Debtors' Directors, Officers, Members and Managers.

On the Effective Date, all officers, directors, members and managers of the Debtors shall be deemed to have resigned and shall be discharged from any further duties and responsibilities in such capacity. On after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee shall serve as the sole officer, sole director, sole member or sole manager of the Debtors, but he or she shall retain and enforce Retained Causes of Action as the representative of the Estates in his or her capacity as the Liquidation Trustee under the Plan pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1123(b) and not as an officer, director, member or manager of the Debtors. Any and all operating agreements, certificates of organization, and related corporate documents are deemed amended by the Plan to permit and authorize such sole appointment.

#### N. Debtors' Existence.

From and after the Effective Date, the Debtors shall continue in existence for the purpose of winding up their affairs as expeditiously as practicable. Upon the Effective Date, all transactions and applicable matters provided under the Plan shall be deemed to be authorized by the Debtors without any requirement of further action by any Debtor. On and after the Effective Date, the Debtors' remaining assets and affairs shall be administered and managed by the Liquidation Trustee in accordance with the Plan.

Upon certification to be filed with the Court of the Final Distribution and completion of all duties under this Plan and entry of a Final Decree closing the Case, upon a motion filed pursuant to Rule 3022-1 of the Local Rules of the Bankruptcy Court, the Debtors shall be deemed to be dissolved without any further action by the Debtors or the Liquidation Trustee, including the filing of any documents in any office in any jurisdiction where the Debtors are organized. However, the Liquidation Trustee shall have the authority to take all necessary action to dissolve any Debtor. Further, upon the aforementioned certification and entry of Final Decree, the Liquidation Trustee shall be authorized, in his sole discretion, to discard or destroy any and all of the Debtors' books and records. Upon the Effective Date, the Debtors shall turn over its books and records to the Liquidation Trustee..

#### O. Corporate Authority.

The Confirmation Order shall constitute full and complete authority for the Debtors and Liquidation Trust to take all other actions that may be necessary, useful or appropriate to consummate the Plan without any further judicial or corporate authority.

# ARTICLE V FUNDING AND DISBURSEMENTS

#### A. Distribution Agent.

The Distribution Agent, on behalf of the Debtors and/or Liquidation Trustee, shall make all distributions under the Plan on account of Allowed Claims against the Debtors pursuant to the terms of the Plan, Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement, provided, however, that all Allowed Professional Fee Claims shall be paid out of the Professional Fee Reserve. All distributions to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests shall be made by the Distribution Agent. The Distribution Agent shall act at the direction of the Liquidation Trustee.

#### B. Cash Payments.

Cash payments made pursuant to the Plan shall be in U.S. funds, by the means agreed to by payor and payee, including by check or wire transfer or, in the absence of an agreement, such commercially reasonable manner as the Liquidation Trustee shall determine in his or her sole discretion.

# C. Distribution for Allowed Claims.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, or as otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, distributions to Allowed Claims shall be made on the Distribution Date (as defined in Article I.A.).

No holder of a Disputed Claim shall be entitled to a distribution from the Liquidation Trustee, the Liquidation Trust, the Debtors or the Estates with respect to such Disputed Claim unless and until such Disputed Claim becomes an Allowed Claim, and no holder of a Disputed Claim shall have any right to interest on such Disputed Claim except as provided in the Plan. The Liquidation Trustee shall establish a reserve in Cash in the full amount of any distributions that would otherwise be payable upon any Disputed Claims if they were Allowed Claims until such time as such Disputed Claims are determined by Final Order to be Allowed or not Allowed.

#### D. Interest and Charges.

No interest shall accrue or be paid on Allowed Claims, except as explicitly set forth in this Plan.

## E. Compliance with Tax Requirements.

In connection with the Plan, to the extent applicable, the Liquidation Trust shall comply with all tax withholding and reporting requirements imposed on it by any Governmental Unit, and all distributions pursuant to the Plan shall be subject to such withholding and reporting requirements. Notwithstanding any provision in the Plan to the contrary, the Liquidation Trust shall be authorized to take all actions necessary or appropriate to comply with such withholding

and reporting requirements, including liquidating a portion of the distribution to be made under the Plan to generate sufficient funds to pay applicable withholding taxes, withholding distributions pending receipt of information necessary to facilitate such distributions, including, without limitation, requiring that the holder of an Allowed Claim complete the appropriate IRS Form W-8 or IRS Form W-9, as applicable to each holder or establishing any other mechanisms they believe are reasonable and appropriate. The Liquidation Trust reserves the right to allocate all distributions made under the Plan in compliance with applicable wage garnishments, alimony, child support and other spousal awards, liens and encumbrances.

The Liquidation Trust shall not be required to make distributions on any Allowed Claim if the holder thereof has not provided all documentation, that in the Liquidation Trustee's reasonable business judgment, is necessary to determine that all tax withholding and reporting requirements for such Allowed Claim. To the extent such documentation is not provided within forty-five (45) days of the respective Distribution Date, the distribution on such Allowed Claim shall be deemed Unclaimed Property.

#### F. Fractional Dollars: De Minimis Distributions.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Plan, the Liquidation Trust shall not be required to make distributions or payments of fractions of dollars, and whenever any payment of a fraction of a dollar under the Plan would otherwise be called for, the actual payment made shall reflect a rounding down of such fraction to the nearest whole dollar. In addition, the Liquidation Trustee shall not be required to make any distribution in an amount less than \$50.00. To the extent that such a distribution shall be called for as part of any interim distribution, the Liquidation Trust shall establish a reserve for all distributions in the amount of less than \$50.00 and shall, when and if the holder of an Allowed Claim is entitled to a distribution of \$50.00 or more, make such distribution at such time. The Liquidation Trust shall not be required to make any Final Distribution of less than \$50.00 and all monies otherwise payable in such amount shall be paid to the other holders of Allowed Claims, in accordance with the terms of the Plan, the Confirmation Order and the Liquidation Trust Agreement.

#### G. Delivery of Distributions to Holders of Allowed Claims.

Distributions to holders of Allowed Claims shall be made at the address set forth in the Schedules unless such addresses are superseded by proofs of claim or transfers of claims filed pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 3001 or at the last known address of such holders if the Liquidation Trustee have been notified in writing of a change of address. If the distribution to any holder of an Allowed Claim is returned to the Liquidation Trustee as undeliverable or otherwise unclaimed, such Unclaimed Property shall be held in a reserve as set forth in Section V.H of the Plan.

#### H. Unclaimed Distributions.

If any distribution to holders of an Allowed Claim or Beneficial Trust Interest is unclaimed or returned as undeliverable, such Unclaimed Property shall be held by the Liquidation Trustee in the Unclaimed Property Reserve for a period of forty-five (45) days. Once the distribution to holders of Allowed Claims or Beneficial Trust Interests becomes Unclaimed Property, the Liquidation Trustee shall, subject to the limitations set forth herein, (i) hold such Unclaimed Property in the Unclaimed Property Reserve solely for the benefit of such holder or holders who have failed to claim such Unclaimed Property, and (ii) release the Unclaimed Property from the Unclaimed Property Reserve and deliver to the holder entitled thereto upon presentation of proper proof by such holder of its entitlement thereto. After the expiration of forty-five (45) days, the holders of Allowed Claims or Beneficial Trust Interests entitled to such Unclaimed Property shall cease to be entitled thereto and shall be entitled to no further distributions under the Plan, and such Allowed Claims shall be deemed disallowed and expunged in their entirety and the funds shall become Liquidation Trust Assets and redistributed to the other holders of Allowed Claims in accordance with the terms of this Plan, Confirmation Order and Liquidation Trust Agreement. Such funds shall not be subject to the escheat laws of any state.

If there is any residual Unclaimed Property at the time of dissolution of the Liquidation Trust, such residual Unclaimed Property shall be available for a subsequent distribution on a *pro rata* basis to holders of Beneficial Trust Interests or donated to a charitable organization at the sole discretion of the Liquidation Trust; provided, however, that such charitable organization shall not have any connection to the Liquidating Trustee, the Liquidation Trust Advisory Board members, or to the Debtors.

Nothing contained in the Liquidation Trust Agreement, this Plan, or the Confirmation Order shall require the Debtors, the Liquidation Trustee, the Liquidation Trust, or the Distribution Agent to attempt to locate any holder of an Allowed Claim or Beneficial Trust Interest.

#### I. No Penalty Claims.

Unless otherwise specifically provided for in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, no holder of any Claim will be entitled to allowance of, or to receive any payment on account of, any penalty arising with respect to or in connection with such Claim and any such penalty shall be deemed disallowed and expunged; except for penalties arising in connection with tax claims, to the extent such penalties are allowed by § 507(a)(8)(G) of the Bankruptcy Code.

# J. Setoffs and Recoupment.

The Liquidation Trust may, but shall not be required to, setoff against or recoup from any Claims of any nature whatsoever that the Debtors may have against the claimant pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 558 or otherwise, but neither the failure to do so nor the allowance of any Claim hereunder shall constitute a waiver or release by the Debtors or the Liquidation Trust of any such Claim it may have against the holder of such Claim. The Liquidation Trustee shall provide notice to any affected claimant of the setoff or recoupment.

#### K. Distributions by Liquidation Trust.

The Liquidation Trust shall not be obligated to make a distribution on account of the Beneficial Interests that would impair the ability of the Liquidation Trust to pay the expenses incurred by the Liquidation Trust.

#### L. Claims Paid or Payable by Third Parties.

- 1. Claims Paid by Third Parties. Following the filing of a notice of claim satisfaction and service of the same upon the holder of such Claim, the Liquidation Trustee shall reduce in full a Claim, and such Claim shall be disallowed without a Claim objection having to be Filed and without any further notice to or action, order or approval of the Bankruptcy Court, to the extent that the holder of such Claim receives payment in full on account of such Claim from a party that is not the Debtors or Liquidation Trust. To the extent a holder of such Claim receives a distribution on account of such Claim and receives payment from a party that is not the Debtors or the Liquidation Trust on account of such Claim, such holder shall repay, return or deliver any distribution to the Liquidation Trust, to the extent the holder's total recovery on account of such Claim from the third party and under the Plan exceeds the amount of such Claim as of the date of any such distribution under the Plan. The Liquidation Trust and the Debtors' Estates reserve all of their rights, remedies, claims and actions against any such holders who fail to repay or return any such distribution.
- 2. <u>Claims Payable by Third Parties</u>. No distributions under the Plan shall be made on account of an Allowed Claim that is payable pursuant the Debtors' Insurance Policies until the holder of such Allowed Claim has exhausted all remedies with respect to such Insurance Policy. To the extent that one or more of the Debtors' insurers agrees to satisfy in full or in part a Claim, then immediately upon such insurers' payment, the applicable portion of such Claim shall be deemed satisfied, or partially satisfied, as applicable, and notice of such satisfaction shall be filed by the Litigation Trustee and served on the holder of such Claim.
- 3. <u>Applicability of Insurance Policies</u>. Except as otherwise provided in the Plan, distributions to holders of Allowed Claims shall be in accordance with the provisions of any applicable Insurance Policy.

# ARTICLE VI SUBSTANTIVE CONSOLIDATION

The Plan shall serve as a motion by the Debtors seeking entry of an order substantively consolidating all of the Estates of all of the Debtors into a single consolidated estate for all purposes associated with confirmation and consummation of the Plan.

The entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute approval by the Bankruptcy Court of the substantive consolidation of the Debtors and their respective Estates for all purposes relating to the Plan, including for purposes of voting, confirmation and distributions. If this substantive consolidation is approved, then for all purposes associated with the confirmation and consummation of the Plan, all assets and liabilities of the Debtors shall be treated as though they were merged into a single economic unit, and all guarantees by any Debtor of the obligations of any other Debtor, to the extent such exist, shall be considered eliminated so that any Claim and any guarantee thereof by any other Debtor, as well as any joint and several liability of any Debtor with respect to any other Debtor, shall be treated as one collective obligation of the Debtors. Moreover, (a) no distribution shall be made under the Plan on account of any Intercompany Interest held by any one of the Debtors in any of the other Debtors except to the extent necessary to effect the substantive consolidation provided for herein, (b) all guaranties of any one of the Debtors of the obligations of any of the other Debtors, to the extent such exist, shall be eliminated so that any Claim against any one of the Debtors, and any guaranty thereof executed by any of the other Debtors, shall be one obligation of the consolidated Debtors' Estates, and (c) every Claim that is timely Filed or to be Filed in the Chapter 11 Cases of any of the Debtors shall be deemed Filed against the consolidated Estates and shall be one Claim against, and one obligation of, the Estates.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Plan to the contrary, any holder of multiple Allowed Claims against more than one Debtor that arise from the contractual, joint, joint and several, or several liability of such Debtors, the guaranty by one Debtor of another Debtor's obligation or other similar circumstances, shall be entitled to one Allowed Claim that, in the aggregate, does not exceed the amount of the underlying Claim giving rise to such multiple Claims. Claims against more than one of the Debtors arising from the same injury, damage, cause of action or common facts shall be Allowed only once as if such Claim were against a single Debtor.

Any alleged defaults under any applicable agreement, including executory contracts and unexpired leases, with the Debtors arising from substantive consolidation under the Plan shall be deemed unenforceable as of the Effective Date.

As soon as practicable after the Effective Date, the Liquidation Trustee is authorized to and shall submit an order to the Bankruptcy Court under certification of counsel that is in form and substance acceptable to the U.S. Trustee that closes each of the Chapter 11 Cases except InVivo Therapeutics Corporation's Chapter 11 Case. The Debtors' consolidated estate shall be administered through InVivo Therapeutics Corporation's Chapter 11 Case. Once the Plan has been fully administered, the Liquidation Trustee shall file a final report and a motion seeking a final decree in accordance with Local Rule 3022-1.

# ARTICLE VII TREATMENT OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES

## A. Rejection of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases.

On the Effective Date, all Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases shall be deemed rejected as of the Effective Date, unless such Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease: (i) was assumed or rejected previously by the Debtors; (ii) previously expired or terminated pursuant to its own terms; (iii) is the subject of a motion to assume Filed on or before the Effective Date; or (iv) has been assumed and assigned to the Buyers pursuant to the terms of the Asset Purchase Agreements.

Entry of the Confirmation Order shall constitute a Bankruptcy Court order approving the rejection of such Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 365(a) and 1123. Unless otherwise indicated, rejection of Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases pursuant to the Plan shall be effective as of the Effective Date.

# B. Claims Based on Rejection of Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases.

Proofs of Claim with respect to Claims arising from the rejection of Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases, if any, must be Filed with the Bankruptcy Court within twenty-one (21) days after the earlier of (a) service of Notice of the Effective Date, or (b) service of notice of entry of an order of the Bankruptcy Court (other than the Confirmation Order) approving the rejection of a particular Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease on the counterparty thereto. The Notice of the Effective Date shall indicate that all Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases that do not fall into one of the four clauses set forth in Article VII.A hereof are deemed rejected as of the Effective Date. The Notice of Effective Date shall also set forth the deadline for filing Proofs of Claim with respect to the same. Absent order of the Court to the contrary, any Claims arising from the rejection of an Executory Contract or Unexpired Lease not filed by the applicable deadline will not be considered Allowed and such person or entity shall not be treated as a creditor for purposes of distributions under the Plan. Claims arising from the rejection of the Debtors' Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases shall be classified as General Unsecured Claims and shall be treated in accordance with Class 6 of the Plan, which information shall be included in the Notice of the Effective Date.

# ARTICLE VIII RELEASE, INJUNCTION AND RELATED PROVISIONS

#### A. Liabilities to, and Rights of, Governmental Units.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, nothing in the Confirmation Order or the Plan discharges, releases, precludes, or enjoins: (1) any liability to any Governmental Unit that is not a Claim; (2) any Claim of a Governmental Unit arising after the Effective Date; (3) any police power or regulatory liability to a Governmental Unit that any Entity would be subject to as the owner or operator of any property after the Effective Date; (4) the rights of any Governmental Unit with respect to the transfer or assignment of any license, permit,

registration, authorization, or approval, in each case, to the extent provided under applicable law; and/or (5) any liability to a Governmental Unit on the part of any Entity. Nothing in this Plan divests any tribunal of any jurisdiction it may have under police or regulatory law.

#### B. Exculpation.

Effective as of the Effective Date, no Exculpated Party shall have or incur, and each Exculpated Party is hereby released and exculpated from, any Exculpated Claim or any obligation, Cause of Action, or liability for any Exculpated Claim; provided, however, that the foregoing exculpation shall have no effect on the liability of any person or Entity that results from any act or omission based on or arising out of gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct.

#### C. Releases by the Debtors

Pursuant to section 1123(b) of the Bankruptcy Code and to the fullest extent authorized by applicable law, and except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan, including, without limitation the Retained Causes of Action, for good and valuable consideration, the adequacy of which is hereby confirmed, on and after the Effective Date, each Released Party is expressly, unconditionally, generally and individually and collectively released, and acquitted by the Debtors and their Estates from any and all actions, claims, obligations, rights, suits, judgments, damages, demands, debts, rights, remedies, Causes of Action, and liabilities of any nature whatsoever, or any other claim against any Released Party, asserted on behalf of the Debtors, whether known or unknown, foreseen or unforeseen, matured or unmatured, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, existing or hereinafter arising, in law, equity, or otherwise, whether for tort, contract, violations of federal or state securities laws, or otherwise, that the Debtors or their Estates would have been legally entitled to assert in their own right (whether individually or collectively) or on behalf of the holder of any Claim or Interest or other Entity, based on or relating to, or in any manner arising from, in whole or in part, the purchase, sale or rescission of the purchase or sale of, or any other transaction relating to any Security of the Debtors, the Debtors, the Debtors' restructuring efforts, the Chapter 11 Cases, the Plan, the subject matter of, or the transactions or events giving rise to, any Claim or Interest that is treated in the Plan, the business or contractual arrangements between any Debtor and any Released Party, the restructuring of Claims and Interests before or in the Chapter 11 Cases, the negotiation, formulation, or preparation of the Plan or related agreements, instruments or other documents (including, for the avoidance of doubt, providing any legal opinion requested by any Entity regarding any transaction, contract, instrument, document, or other agreement contemplated by the Plan or the reliance by any Released Party on the Plan or the Confirmation Order in lieu of such legal opinion), upon any other act or omission, transaction, agreement, event, or other occurrence taking place on or before the Effective Date; provided, however, that the foregoing releases shall have no effect on the liability of any person or Entity that results from any act or omission based on or arising out of gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct; and provided further that nothing herein shall act as a release of a direct claim any holder of a Claim or Interest or other Entity may have against any Released Party.

#### D. Injunction.

Except as otherwise provided in the Plan or the Confirmation Order, as of the Effective Date, all Entities that have held, hold or may hold any Interest in the Debtors or a Claim, Cause of Action, or other debt or liability against the Debtors or against any Released Party that have been released and/or exculpated under the this Plan (the "Released Claims and Interests") are permanently enjoined from taking any of the following actions against the Debtors, the Estates, the Liquidation Trust, the Liquidation Trustee, the Liquidation Trust Assets, or the Released Parties or their respective predecessors, successors and assigns, subsidiaries, Affiliates, current (as of the Effective Date) directors, officers, principals, shareholders, members, partners, employees, agents, advisory board members, financial advisors, attorneys, accounts, investment bankers, consultants, representatives, and other Professionals solely in their respective capacities as such or any property of the same, on account of such Released Claims and Interests: (i) commencing or continuing, in any manner or in any place, any action or other proceeding; (ii) enforcing, attaching, collecting or recovering in any manner any judgment, award, decree or order; (iii) creating, perfecting or enforcing any lien or encumbrance; (iv) asserting any right of setoff (other than setoffs exercised prior to the Petition Date), or subrogation of any kind against any debt, liability or obligation on account of or in connection with or with respect to any Released Claims or Interests; and (v) commencing or continuing in any manner or in any place, any action that does not comply with or is inconsistent with this provision; provided, however, that the foregoing injunction shall have no effect on the liability of any person or Entity that results from any act or omission based on or arising out of gross negligence, fraud or willful misconduct.

#### E. Term of Injunctions or Stays.

Unless otherwise provided in the Plan or in the Confirmation Order, all injunctions or stays in effect in the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 105 or 362 or any order of the Bankruptcy Court, and existent on the Confirmation Date (excluding any injunctions or stays contained in the Plan or the Confirmation Order), shall remain in full force and effect until the Effective Date. All injunctions or stays contained in the Plan or the Confirmation Order shall remain in full force and effect in accordance with their terms.

# ARTICLE IX CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO CONSUMMATION OF THE PLAN

#### A. Conditions Precedent to the Effective Date.

It shall be a condition to the Effective Date of the Plan that the following conditions shall have been satisfied or waived:

1. the Bankruptcy Court shall have entered the Confirmation Order; provided that in accordance with Bankruptcy Rules 3020(e), 6004(h), and 6006(d) (and notwithstanding any other provision of the Bankruptcy Code or the Bankruptcy Rules), the Confirmation Order shall not be

stayed and shall be effective immediately upon its entry;

- 2. all documents and agreements necessary to implement the Plan, shall have (a) all conditions precedent to the effectiveness of such documents and agreements satisfied or waived pursuant to the terms of such documents or agreements, (b) been tendered for delivery, and (c) been effected or executed;
- 3. the Liquidation Trust Claims Reserve and the Professional Fee Claim Reserve shall have been funded consistent with the terms of the Plan;
- 4. the Liquidation Trust shall have been established in accordance with the Liquidation Trust Agreement and shall have been funded with the Liquidation Trust Assets; and
- 5. all actions, documents, certificates and agreements necessary to implement this Plan shall have been effected or executed and delivered to the required parties and, to the extent required, Filed with the applicable Governmental Units in accordance with applicable laws.

# B. Waiver of Conditions.

The conditions to Consummation set forth in Article IX of the Plan may be waived only by prior written consent of the without notice, leave, or order of the Bankruptcy Court or any formal action other than proceedings to confirm or consummate the Plan. Upon the occurrence of all the conditions to Confirmation and Consummation set forth in Article IX of the Plan, the Debtors shall immediately declare the Effective Date and file the Notice of Effective Date.

#### C. *Effect of Failure of Conditions*.

Unless expressly set forth herein, if the Consummation of the Plan does not occur on or before the date that is thirty days following the Confirmation Date the Plan shall be null and void in all respects and nothing contained in the Plan or the Disclosure Statement shall: (1) constitute a waiver or release of any Claims by the Debtors, any holders or any other Entity; (2) prejudice in any manner the rights of the Debtors, any holders or any other Entity or (3) constitute an admission, acknowledgment, offer or undertaking by the Debtors, any holder of any Claim or any other Entity in any respect.

# ARTICLE X MODIFICATION, REVOCATION OR WITHDRAWAL OF THE PLAN

#### A. *Modification and Amendments.*

Except as otherwise specifically provided in the Plan, the Debtors reserve the right, to modify the Plan, whether such modification is material or immaterial, and seek Confirmation consistent with the Bankruptcy Code. Subject to certain restrictions and requirements set forth in Bankruptcy Code section 1127 and Bankruptcy Rule 3019 (as well as those restrictions on modifications set forth in the Plan), the Debtors expressly reserve their rights, to revoke or withdraw, to alter, amend or modify the Plan, one or more times, after Confirmation, and, to the

extent necessary, may initiate proceedings in the Bankruptcy Court to so alter, amend or modify the Plan, or remedy any defect or omission or reconcile any inconsistencies in the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Confirmation Order, in such matters as may be necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of the Plan. American Greetings and the U.S. Trustee shall receive notice of any modification to the Plan be they material or immaterial.

#### B. Effect of Confirmation on Modifications.

Entry of a Confirmation Order shall mean that all modifications or amendments to the Plan since the solicitation thereof are approved pursuant to Bankruptcy Code section 1127(a) and do not require additional disclosure or re-solicitation under Bankruptcy Rule 3019.

## C. Revocation or Withdrawal of Plan.

The Debtors reserve the right, to revoke or withdraw the Plan before the Confirmation Date and to file a subsequent plan. If the Debtors revoke or withdraw the Plan, or if Confirmation or Consummation does not occur, then: (l) the Plan shall be null and void in all respects; (2) any settlement or compromise embodied in the Plan (including the fixing or limiting to an amount certain of the Claims or Interests or Class of Claims or Interests), assumption or rejection of Executory Contracts or Unexpired Leases effected by the Plan, and any document or agreement executed pursuant to the Plan, shall be deemed null and void and (3) nothing contained in the Plan shall: (a) constitute a waiver or release of any Claim or Interest; (b) prejudice in any manner the rights of the Debtors, any holder of a Claim or Interest or any other Entity or (c) constitute an admission, acknowledgement, offer or undertaking of any sort by the Debtors, any holder or any other Entity.

# ARTICLE XI RETENTION OF JURISDICTION

Notwithstanding the entry of the Confirmation Order and the occurrence of the Effective Date, on and after the Effective Date, the Bankruptcy Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over all matters arising out of, or related to, the Chapter 11 Cases pursuant to Bankruptcy Code sections 105(a) and 1142; provided, however, that nothing herein shall grant the Bankruptcy Court any jurisdiction which it lacked prior to the Effective Date. The Bankruptcy Court shall retain non-exclusive jurisdiction to hear any other matter over which the Bankruptcy Court has jurisdiction.

# ARTICLE XII MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

#### A. Immediate Binding Effect.

Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rules 3020(e), 6004(h) or 7062 or otherwise, upon the occurrence of the Effective Date, the terms of the Plan shall be immediately effective and enforceable and deemed binding upon the Debtors and any and all present and former holders of Claims or Interests (irrespective of whether their Claims or Interests are deemed to have accepted the Plan), all Entities that are parties to or are subject to the settlements, compromises, releases and

injunctions described in the Plan, each Entity acquiring property under the Plan, any and all non-Debtor parties to Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases with the Debtors each of respective successors and assigns of the foregoing persons and Entities.

#### B. Additional Documents.

On or before the Effective Date, the Debtors may file with the Bankruptcy Court such agreements and other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to effectuate and further evidence the terms and conditions of the Plan. The Debtors and all holders receiving distributions pursuant to the Plan and all other parties in interest may, from time to time, prepare, execute and deliver any agreements or documents and take any other actions as may be necessary or advisable to effectuate the provisions and intent of the Plan.

#### C. Reservation of Rights.

Except as expressly set forth in the Plan, the Plan shall have no force or effect unless the Bankruptcy Court enters the Confirmation Order, and the Confirmation Order shall have no force or effect if the Effective Date does not occur. None of the Filing of the Plan, any statement or provision contained in the Plan or the taking of any action by the Debtors, with respect to the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Plan Supplement shall be or shall be deemed to be an admission or waiver of any of their respective rights with respect to the holders of Claims and Interests or each other before the Effective Date.

#### D. Successors and Assigns.

The rights, benefits and obligations of any Entity named or referred to in the Plan shall be binding on, and shall inure to the benefit of any heir, executor, administrator, successor or assign, if any, of such Entity.

#### E. Notices.

To be effective, all notices, requests and demands to or upon the Debtors shall be in writing. Unless otherwise expressly provided herein, notice shall be deemed to have been duly given or made when actually delivered or when received and telephonically confirmed, addressed to the following:

#### 1. The Debtors:

InVivo Therapeutics Corporation
InVivo Therapeutics Holdings Corp
1500 District Avenue, Burlington, MA 01803
Attention: Richard Christopher, Chief Financial Officer
Email: rchristopher@invivotherapeutics.com

with a mandated copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

Counsel to Debtors and Debtors-In-Possession Landis Rath & Cobb LLP 919 N. Market Street, Suite 1800 Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Attention: Matthew B. McGuire, Esq.

Telephone: 302-467-4400 Telecopier: 302-467-4450

Email: mcguire@lrclaw.com

#### F. Entire Agreement.

Except as otherwise indicated, the Plan supersedes all previous and contemporaneous negotiations, promises, covenants, agreements, understandings and representations on such subjects, all of which have become merged and integrated into the Plan.

#### G. Exhibits.

All exhibits and documents included in the Plan are incorporated into and are a part of the Plan as if set forth in full in the Plan. After the exhibits and documents are filed, copies of such exhibits and documents shall be available upon written request to the Debtors' counsel at the address above, from the Notice, Claims and Balloting Agent's website at https://www.kccllc.net/invivo or by downloading such exhibits and documents from the Bankruptcy Court's website at http://www.deb.uscourts.gov. To the extent any exhibit or document is inconsistent with the terms of the Plan, unless otherwise ordered by the Bankruptcy Court, the non-exhibit or non-document portion of the Plan shall control.

#### H. Severability of Plan Provisions.

If, before Confirmation, any term or provision of the Plan is held by the Bankruptcy Court to be invalid, void or unenforceable, the Bankruptcy Court shall have the power to alter and interpret such term or provision to make it valid or enforceable to the maximum extent practicable, and such term or provision shall then be applicable as altered or interpreted. Notwithstanding any such holdings, alterations or interpretations, the remainder of the terms and provisions of the Plan will remain in full force and effect and will in no way be affected, impaired or invalidated by such holdings, alterations or interpretations. The Confirmation Order shall constitute a judicial determination and shall provide that each term and provision of the Plan, as it may have been altered or interpreted in accordance with the foregoing, is: (1) valid and enforceable pursuant to its terms; (2) integral to the Plan and may not be deleted or modified without the Debtors' consent; and (3) non-severable and mutually dependent.

#### I. Closing of Chapter 11 Cases.

The Liquidation Trust shall promptly, after the full administration of the Chapter 11 Cases, File with the Bankruptcy Court all documents required by Bankruptcy Rule 3022 and Local Rule 3022-1 and file a motion, as required by Local Rule 3022-1(a), to close the Chapter 11 Cases after they have been fully administered.

#### J. No Admission Against Interest.

Neither the filing of the Plan, the Disclosure Statement, nor any statement contained therein, is or shall be deemed an admission against interest. In the event that this Plan is not consummated, neither this Plan, the Disclosure Statement nor any statement contained therein may be used or relied upon in any manner in any suit, action, proceeding or controversy within or outside the Bankruptcy Court involving the Debtors.

#### K. No Waiver.

Except as otherwise specifically provided herein, nothing set forth in this Plan or the Disclosure Statement shall be deemed a waiver or release of any claims, rights or Causes of Action against any Person other than the Debtors.

#### L. Headings.

The article and section headings used in the Plan are inserted for convenience and reference only and neither constitutes a part of the Plan nor any manner affects the terms, provisions or interpretation of the Plan.

#### M. Governing Law.

Except to the extent the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules or other federal law is applicable, or to the extent otherwise provided in the Plan, the rights and obligations arising under the Plan, shall be governed by, and construed and enforced in accordance with the laws of Delaware, without giving any effect to the principles of conflicts of law or such jurisdiction.

## N. Conflicts.

Except as set forth in the Plan, to the extent that any provision of the Disclosure Statement or any other document or any exhibits, schedules, appendices, supplements, or amendments of any document referenced in the Plan (the "Plan Related Documents") conflict with or are in any way inconsistent with any provision of the Plan, the Plan shall govern and control; provided that, with respect to any conflict or inconsistency between the Plan, the Disclosure Statement or the Plan Related Documents on the one hand, and the Confirmation Order on the other, the Plan shall govern.

Dated: April 8, 2024 Respectfully Submitted,

INVIVO THERAPEUTICS CORPORATION By:

/s/ Richard Christopher

Richard Christopher Chief Financial Officer

INVIVO THERAPEUTICS HOLDINGS CORP. By:

/s/ Richard Christopher

Richard Christopher Chief Financial Officer

# EXHIBIT B

InVivo Therapeutics, Inc. Liquidation Analysis

Plan Confirmation Assumed to Occur on 06/7/24

Assets	Propos	Proposed Plan of Liquidation		Chapter 7 Liquidation		
Estimated Unrestricted Cash as of 6/7/24 Additional Sources of Cash Total Estimated Proceeds Available at 6/7/24		-	\$ 4,235,874 74,847 <b>4,310,721</b>		;  =	4,235,874 74,847 <b>4,310,721</b>
Reserves Budgeted for Administration Expenses  Estimated Postpetietion Professional Fees Outstanding as of 6/7/24  Estimated Postpetition Operating Liabilities Outstanding at 6/7/24  Estimated UST Fees Through 6/7/2024 [1]  Total Estimated Proceeds Available for Distribution			(647,290) (151,556) (22,125) <b>3,489,750</b>			(647,290) (151,556) (22,125) <b>3,489,750</b>
Administrative Fees  Chapter 7 Professional Fees Chapter 7 Trustee Commissions Chapter 11 Winddown Budget [2] Estimated UST Fees [3]  Net Estimated Proceeds Available After Administrative Fees	100% 100% 100%	- - 175,000 - -	- (175,000) (27,918) <b>3,286,832</b>	100% 100% 100%	225,000 150,875 - - —	(225,000) (150,875) - - <b>3,113,875</b>
Administrative Claims  Administrative Claims (unclassified)  Net Estimated Proceeds Available After Administrative Claims	100%	- - -	3,286,832	100%	- - =	- 3,113,875
Priority & Secured Claims  Priority Tax Claims (Unclassified)  Secured Tax Claims (Class 1)  Other Secured Claims (Class 2)  Other Priority Claims (Class 3)  Net Estimated Proceeds Available After Distribution	100% 100% 100% 100%	- - -	- - - - 3,286,832	100% 100% 100% 100%	- - - -	- - - - - 3,113,875
Unsecured Claims & Equity Interest  General Unsecured Claims (Class 4)  ARE Subordinated Claims (Class 5)  Interests (Class 6)  Net Estimated Proceeds Available After Distribution	100.0% 100.0%	1,935,701 54,527 - -	(1,935,701) (54,527) (1,296,605)	100.0% 100.0%	1,935,701 54,527 - —	(1,935,701) (54,527) (1,123,648)

<sup>1]</sup> Estimated payments to UST for Q2 2024.

<sup>2]</sup> Chapter 11 Professionals estimated for final wind down of the Estate.

<sup>3]</sup> Estimated UST fees for the remainder of the case.