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## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:

Chapter 11

PARETEUM CORPORATION, et al.,

Case No.: 22-10615 (LGB)

Debtors.1

(Jointly Administered)

FINAL ORDER (I) AUTHORIZING BUT NOT DIRECTING DEBTORS TO PAY THE PREPETITION TAXES AND FEES (II) AUTHORIZING APPLICABLE BANKS AND OTHER FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS TO HONOR AND PROCESS RELATED CHECKS AND (III) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

Upon the motion (the "Motion")<sup>2</sup> of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of a final order (this "Final Order"), (a) authorizing the Debtors, in their sole discretion, to remit and pay certain accrued and outstanding Taxes and Fees; and (b) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and upon the First Day Declaration; and this Court having held a hearing on May 17, 2022 to consider approval of the Motion on an interim basis; and the Court entered the *Interim Order (I) Authorizing But Not Directing Debtors to Pay the Prepetition Taxes and Fees (II) Authorizing Applicable Banks and Other Financial Institutions to Honor and Process Related Checks and (III) Granting Related Relief on May 18, 2022 [Docket No. 35]; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the <i>Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York*, dated February 1, 2012; and

<sup>2</sup> Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.



The Debtors in the Chapter 11 Cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, if applicable, are: Pareteum Corporation (7538); Pareteum North America Corp. (f/k/a Elephant Talk North America Corp.) (9623); Devicescape Holdings, Inc. (2909); iPass, Inc. (4598); iPass IP LLC (2550); Pareteum Europe B.V.; Artilium Group Ltd. (f/k/a Artilium PLC); Pareteum Asia Pte. Ltd.; and Pareteum N.V. (f/k/a Artilium N.V.). The Debtors' corporate headquarters is located at 1185 Avenue of the Americas, 2nd Floor, New York, NY 10036.

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that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that this is a core proceeding pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and this Court having found that the Debtors' notice of the Motion and opportunity for a hearing on the Motion were appropriate under the circumstances and no other notice need be provided; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing, if any, before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted on a final basis as set forth herein.
- 2. The Debtors are authorized to pay or remit (or use applicable credits to offset), in their sole discretion, the Taxes and Fees (including, for the avoidance of doubt, posting collateral or a letter of credit in connection with any dispute related to the Assessments), whether accrued prior to or after the Petition Date, that are payable during the pendency of these Chapter 11 Cases, absent further order of the Court, at such time when the Taxes and Fees are payable in the ordinary course of business. To the extent that the Debtors have overpaid any Taxes and Fees, the Debtors are authorized to seek a refund or credit on account of any such Taxes and Fees.
- 3. Within three (3) days of entry of this Final Order, the Debtors shall serve a copy of this Final Order on the parties set forth in the notice provision of the Motion, as well as the Taxing Authorities set forth in Exhibit C attached to the Motion.

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- 4. The Debtors are authorized, but not directed, to honor any amounts owed on account of any audits conducted in connection with their Taxes and Fees in the ordinary course of business.
- 5. Notwithstanding the relief granted in this Final Order and any actions taken pursuant to such relief, nothing in this Final Order shall be deemed: (a) an admission as to the validity, priority, or amount of any particular claim against a Debtor entity; (b) a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's rights to dispute any particular claim on any grounds; (c) a promise or requirement to pay any particular claim; (d) an implication or admission that any particular claim is of a type specified or defined in this Final Order or the Motion; (e) a request or authorization to assume any agreement, contract, or lease pursuant to section 365 of the Bankruptcy Code; (f) a waiver or limitation of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's rights under the Bankruptcy Code or any other applicable law; or (g) a concession by the Debtors or any other party-in-interest that any liens (contractual, common law, statutory, or otherwise) satisfied pursuant to this Final Order are valid, and the Debtors and all other parties-in-interest expressly reserve their rights to contest the extent, validity, or perfection or seek avoidance of all such liens. Any payment made pursuant to this Final Order is not intended and should not be construed as an admission as to the validity, priority, or amount of any particular claim or a waiver of the Debtors' or any other party-in-interest's rights to subsequently dispute such claim.
- 6. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Motion or this Final Order, any payment to be made and any relief or authorization granted hereunder shall be limited by, and shall be subject to, the requirements imposed on the Debtors in any orders entered by this Court authorizing the Debtors to obtain debtor-in-possession financing and authorizing the use of cash collateral (any such order, a "DIP Order"). To the extent of any conflict (but solely to the extent of

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such conflict) between the terms of this Final Order and the terms of any DIP Order, the terms of the DIP Order will govern.

- 7. The banks and financial institutions on which checks were drawn or electronic payment requests made in payment of the prepetition obligations approved herein are authorized and directed to receive, process, honor, and pay all such checks and electronic payment requests when presented for payment, and all such banks and financial institutions are authorized to rely on the Debtors' designation of any particular check or electronic payment request as approved by this Final Order without any duty to inquire otherwise and without liability for following the Debtors' instructions.
- 8. The Debtors are authorized to issue postpetition checks, or to effect postpetition fund transfer requests, in replacement of any checks or fund transfer requests that are dishonored as a consequence of these Chapter 11 Cases with respect to prepetition amounts owed in connection with any Taxes and Fees.
- 9. Notice of the Motion as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of such Motion and the requirements of Bankruptcy Rule 6004(a) and the Local Rules are satisfied by such notice.
- 10. Notwithstanding Bankruptcy Rule 6004(h), the terms and conditions of this Final Order are immediately effective and enforceable upon its entry.
- 11. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Final Order in accordance with the Motion.

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12. This Court retains exclusive jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Final Order.

Dated: New York, New York June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

/S/ Lisa G. Beckerman
THE HONORABLE LISA G. BECKERMAN
UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE