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# IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

In re:	§ §	Chapter 11
Vista Proppants and Logistics, LLC,	§	Case No. 20-42002-elm11
Debtor.	<b>§</b> <b>§</b>	
Tax I.D. No. 82-0797817	§ §	
In re:	\$ \$ \$	Chapter 11
VPROP Operating, LLC,	§	Case No. 20-42003-elm11
Debtor.	§ § §	
Tax I.D. No. 82-3200269	\$ §	
In re:	§	Charles 11
Lonestar Prospects Management, L.L.C.,	§ §	Chapter 11
Debtor.	\$ \$	Case No. 20-42004-mxm1
Tax I.D. No. 47-4638451	\$ \$	
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In re:	§ s	Chapter 11
MAALT Specialized Bulk, LLC,	§ §	Case No. 20-42005-elm11
Debtor.	§ §	
Tax I.D. No. 45-2732001	8 8 8	
In re:	\$ <b>§</b>	Chapter 11
Denetz Logistics, LLC,	\$ <b>§</b>	Case No. 20-42007-mxm11
Debtor.	\$ <b>§</b>	
Tax I.D. No. 20-2468177	\$ \$ \$	
In re:	§ §	Chanten 11
Lonestar Prospects, Ltd.,	\$ <b>§</b>	Chapter 11
Debtor.	\$ \$	Case No. 20-42006-mxm11
Tax I.D. No. 45-1484483	\$ <b>§</b>	
In re:	§ §	Charter 11
MAALT, LP,	§	Chapter 11
Debtor.	8 8	Case No. 20-42008-elm11
Tax I.D. No. 20-1485198	\$ §	

DEBTORS' EMERGENCY MOTION FOR ENTRY OF ORDER AUTHORIZING JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF CHAPTER 11 CASES PURSUANT TO RULE 1015(b) OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE Vista Proppants and Logistics, LLC and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors-inpossession in the above-referenced chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "Debtors") hereby file this

Debtors' Emergency Motion for Entry of Order Authorizing Joint Administration of Chapter 11

Cases Pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Motion").

In support of the Motion, the Debtors respectfully state as follows:

#### **Jurisdiction and Venue**

1. The United States District Court for the Northern District of Texas (the "District Court") has jurisdiction over the subject matter of this Motion pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1334. The District Court's jurisdiction has been referred to this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157 and the District Court's Miscellaneous Order No. 33, *Order of Reference of Bankruptcy Cases and Proceedings Nunc Pro Tunc* dated August 3, 1984. This is a core matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b), which may be heard and finally determined by this Court. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

#### **Background**

- 2. On June 9, 2020 (the "Petition Date"), the Debtors each filed voluntary petitions for relief under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code") commencing the above captioned cases (the "Chapter 11 Cases"). The Debtors continue to manage and operate their businesses as debtors-in-possession pursuant to Bankruptcy Code §§ 1107 and 1108.
  - 3. An official committee of unsecured creditors has yet to be appointed in these

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Debtors in these Chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: Vista Proppants and Logistics, LLC (7817) ("<u>Vista OpCo</u>"); VPROP Operating, LLC (0269) ("<u>VPROP</u>"); Lonestar Prospects Management, L.L.C. (8451) ("<u>Lonestar Management</u>"); MAALT Specialized Bulk, LLC (2001) ("<u>Bulk</u>"); Denetz Logistics, LLC (8177) ("<u>Denetz</u>"); Lonestar Prospects, Ltd. (4483) ("<u>Lonestar Ltd.</u>"); and MAALT, LP (5198) ("<u>MAALT</u>"). The location of the Debtors' service address is 4413 Carey Street, Fort Worth, TX 76119-4219.

Chapter 11 Cases. Further, no trustee or examiner has been requested or appointed in these Chapter 11 Cases.

4. A detailed description of the Debtors and their businesses, and the facts and circumstances supporting the Motion and the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases are set forth in greater detail in the *Declaration of Kristin Whitley in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* and the *Declaration of Gary Barton in Support of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions* (collectively, the "First Day Declarations"), which were filed on the Petition Date and are incorporated by reference in this Motion.

#### **Relief Requested**

- 5. Pursuant to Rule 1015(b) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules") and Rule 1015-1 of the Local Bankruptcy Rules of the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Texas (the "Local Rules"), the Debtors request authorization to jointly administer their Chapter 11 cases for procedural purposes only. A proposed form of order approving the relief requested herein is annexed hereto as **Exhibit A.**
- 6. Bankruptcy Rule 1015(b) provides, in relevant part, that "[i]f . . . two or more petitions are pending in the same court by or against . . . a debtor and an affiliate, the court may order a joint administration of the estates." Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1015(b). The Debtors are "affiliates" as defined in section 101(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, as Debtor Vista Proppants and Logistics, LLC directly or indirectly owns and controls 100 percent of the equity interests of all of the other Debtors. Accordingly, this Court is authorized to consolidate these cases for procedural purposes.
  - 7. In addition, Rule 1015-1 of the Local Rules provides in relevant part as follows:

"When a case is filed for or against a debtor related to a debtor with a case pending in the Bankruptcy Court, a party in interest may file a motion for joint administration in each case."

N.D. Tex. L.B.R. 1015-1.

- 8. Because joint administration of these cases will remove the need to prepare, replicate, file, and serve duplicative notices, applications and orders, the Debtors and their estates will save substantial time and expense. Further, joint administration will relieve the Court of entering duplicative orders and maintaining duplicative files and dockets. The United States Trustee for the Northern District of Texas (the "U.S. Trustee") and other parties in interest will similarly benefit from joint administration of these Chapter 11 Cases by sparing them the time and effort of reviewing duplicative pleadings and papers.
- 9. Joint administration will not adversely affect creditors' rights because this Motion requests only the administrative consolidation of the estates. This Motion does not seek substantive consolidation. As such, each creditor may still file its claim against a particular estate.
- 10. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the caption of their cases be modified as follows:

### IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS FORT WORTH DIVISION

In re: § Chapter 11

§ § § Vista Proppants and Logistics, LLC, et al., 1 Case No. 20-42002-elm11

Debtors. Jointly Administered

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and MAALT, LP (5198) ("MAALT"). The location of the Debtors' service address is 4413 Carey Street, Fort Worth, TX 76119-4219.

11. The Debtors also seek the Court's direction that a notation substantially similar to the following notation be entered on the docket in each of the Debtors' Chapter 11 Cases to reflect the joint administration of these cases:

An order has been entered in this case directing the procedural consolidation and joint administration of the Chapter 11 cases of Vista Proppants and Logistics, LLC, VPROP Operating, LLC, Lonestar Prospects Management, L.L.C., MAALT Specialized Bulk, LLC, Denetz Logistics, LLC, Lonestar Prospects, Ltd. and MAALT. The Debtors' principal offices are located at 4413 Carey Street, Fort Worth, TX 76119-4219. The docket in Case No. 20-42002-elm11 should be consulted for all matters affecting this case.

- 12. Based on the foregoing, the Debtors submit that the relief requested is necessary and appropriate, is in the best interests of their estates and creditors, and should be granted in all respects.
- 13. Courts in this jurisdiction have approved relief similar to the relief requested in this motion. See, e.g., In re The LaSalle Group, Inc., Case No. 19-31484 (SGJ) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. May 7, 2019) (Docket No. 35); In re PHI, Inc., Case No. 19-30923 (HDH) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Mar 19, 2019) (Docket No. 57); In re SAS Healthcare, Inc., Case No. 19-40401 (MXM) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Feb. 6, 2019) (Docket No. 44); In re Senior Care Centers, LLC, Case No. 18-33967 (BJH) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Dec. 7, 2018) (Docket No. 65); In re Preferred Care, Inc., Case No. 17-44642 (MXM) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Nov. 20, 2017) (Docket No. 89); and In re Erickson Incorporated, Case No. 16-34393 (HDH) (Bankr. N.D. Tex. Nov. 10, 2016) (Docket No. 39).

#### **Notice**

14. Notice of this Motion will be provided to: (i) the Office of the United States Trustee; (ii) the Debtors' secured creditors; (iii) any party whose interests are directly affected by

this specific pleading; (iv) those persons who have formally appeared and requested notice and service in these proceedings pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 2002 and 3017; (v) counsel for Ares Capital Corporation; (vi) counsel for any official committees appointed by this Court; (vii) the 20 largest unsecured creditors of each of the Debtors; and (viii) all governmental agencies having a regulatory or statutory interest in these cases (collectively, the "Notice Parties"). Based on the urgency of the circumstances surrounding this Motion and the nature of the relief requested herein, the Debtors respectfully submit that no further notice is required.

#### Conclusion

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court (i) grant the Motion, and (ii) grant such other and further relief as is just and proper.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 9th day of June, 2020.

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# **EXHIBIT A**

# **Proposed Order**

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## ORDER DIRECTING JOINT ADMINISTRATION OF CHAPTER 11 CASES PURSUANT TO RULE 1015(b) OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE

The Court, having considered the matter of administering the above captioned cases finds (1) this Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §1334 and 157; (2)

all parties-in-interest were provided adequate notice and opportunity for hearing; (3) joint administration of these cases is appropriate pursuant to Rule 1015(b) and (c) of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure; (4) an order of joint administration would serve judicial economy; and (5) it is in the best interests and without prejudice to the rights of the Debtors' estates, creditors, and other parties-in-interest. It is therefore

**ORDERED** that the above captioned cases be and hereby are jointly administrated by this Court for procedural purposes only, and nothing contained in this Order shall be deemed or construed as directing a substantive consolidation of the above-captioned cases; it is further

**ORDERED** that all orders, pleadings, papers, documents, lists, schedules, statements, and monthly operating reports, except proofs of claims, shall be filed and docketed in case number 20-42002-elm11 (the "Lead Case"); and it is further

**ORDERED** that all proofs of claim shall be filed and docketed under the case number representing the estate in which the claim is made, and a creditor of more than one estate shall file and docket a proof of claim in each case to which a claim may be made, and only in the amount which the creditor may make a claim from that estate; and it is further

**ORDERED** that all pleadings, papers, and documents filed in the Lead Case shall bear the caption as show in Exhibit A (attached); it is further

**ORDERED** that if pleadings, papers, or documents have been filed in any of the above captioned cases other than the Lead Case prior to the entry of this Order, and those matters have not yet been heard and decided, the party who filed the pleading, paper, or document shall (i) refile the pleading, paper, or document in the Lead Case within 3 business days of the entry of this Order, (ii) set the pleading, paper, or document for hearing before the judge assigned to the Lead Case, and (iii) notice the hearing to all appropriate parties; it is further

**ORDERED** that Counsel for Debtors, shall serve a copy of this Order on the United

States Trustee, all creditors, persons filing Notices of Appearance, and other parties-in-interest,

and shall file a certificate of service with the Clerk of Court after completing service; it is further

**ORDERED** that Counsel for Debtors shall file with the Clerk, in the Lead Case, a master

service list of all creditors, persons filing Notices of Appearance, and all parties-in-interest in the

jointly administered cases, in the form prescribed by Local Bankruptcy Rule 1007-1; it is further

**ORDERED** that in the event that any of these cases have been assigned to separate

judges, all such cases shall be transferred to the judge with the lowest numbered case; and it is

further

**ORDERED** that the Clerk shall file a copy of this order in the Lead Case and each of the

member cases.

### END OF ORDER ###

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