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**REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933** 

# **Live Ventures Incorporated**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Nevada

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

**85-0206668** (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public: From time to time after this registration statement is declared effective.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 4621 under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment to a registration statement filed pursuant to General Instruction I.D. filed to register additional securities or additional classes of securities pursuant to Rule 413(b) under the Securities Act, check the following box.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company" and "emerging growth company in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Accelerated filer	
Non-accelerated filer	X	Smaller reporting company	X
		Emerging growth company	

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 7(a)(2)(B) of Securities Act.

The registrant hereby amends this registration statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this registration statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the registration statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information contained in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the Registration Statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and is not a solicitation of an offer to buy these securities in any jurisdiction where such offer or sale is not permitted.

Preliminary Prospectus Subject to completion, Dated March 24, 2023



\$50,000,000

Common Stock Preferred Stock Debt Securities Warrants Rights Units

We may offer and sell from time to time shares of our common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (our "Common Stock"), shares of our preferred stock, par value \$0.001 per share (our "Preferred Stock"), debt securities, warrants, rights, and units that include any of these securities. The Preferred Stock or warrants may be convertible into or exercisable for shares of our Common Stock or shares of our Preferred Stock or other of our securities registered hereunder. The debt securities may be convertible into or exchangeable for shares of our Common Stock or shares of our Preferred Stock. Our Common Stock is listed on The Nasdaq Capital Market and trades under the symbol "LIVE."

We may offer and sell these securities to or through one or more underwriters, dealers, and agents, or directly to purchasers, on a continuous or delayed basis.

The aggregate market value of our outstanding Common Stock held by non-affiliates was approximately \$46.0 million, based on 3,165,890 shares of outstanding Common Stock as of March 21, 2023, of which approximately 1.3 million shares were held by affiliates, and based on the closing sale price of our Common Stock of \$35.00 on March 21, 2023. Pursuant to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3, in no event will we sell securities pursuant to this prospectus with a value of more than one-third of the aggregate market value of our Common Stock held by non-affiliates in any 12-month period, so long as the aggregate market value of our Common Stock held by non-affiliates is less than \$75,000,000. In the event that, subsequent to the date of this prospectus, the aggregate market value of our outstanding Common Stock held by non-affiliates equals or exceeds \$75,000,000, then the one-third limitation on sales shall not apply to additional sales made pursuant to this prospectus. During the prior 12 calendar months prior to, and including, the date of this prospectus, we have not sold any securities pursuant to General Instruction I.B.6 of Form S-3.

This prospectus describes some of the general terms that may apply to these securities and the general manner in which they may be offered. The specific terms of any securities to be offered, and the specific manner in which they may be offered, will be described in a supplement to this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and any applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you invest.

See the "Risk Factors" section of this prospectus on page 4, our filings with the SEC, and the applicable prospectus supplement for certain risks that you should consider before investing in our securities.

None of the Securities and Exchange Commission, any state securities commission, or any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities nor passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

The date of this prospectus is, 2023.

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## ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This document is called a prospectus and is part of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 that we have filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") using a "shelf" registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may, from time to time, sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one or more offerings in amounts that we will determine from time to time, up to a total dollar amount of \$50,000,000.

This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we offer a type or series of securities described in this prospectus we will provide a prospectus supplement, incorporate information or document by reference into this prospectus or a related free writing prospectus or use other offering materials, as applicable, containing more specific information about the terms of the securities that are then being offered. We may also authorize one or more related free writing prospectuses to be provided to you that may contain material information relating to these offerings and securities. This prospectus, together with applicable prospectus supplements, any information or document incorporated by reference, and any related free writing prospectus supplement any of the information contained in this prospectus or in the documents that we incorporate by reference into this prospectus, including, without limitation, a discussion of any risk factors or other special considerations that apply to these offerings or securities or the specific plan of distribution. If there is any information in that prospectus supplement or information or document incorporated by reference having a later date, you should rely on the information in that prospectus and a prospectus supplement or information or document incorporated hy reference having a later date, you should rely on the information in that prospectus supplement or information incorporated by reference having a later date, you should rely on the information in that prospectus or other offering materials, as applicable, together with the information incorporated here in by reference as described under the heading "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference," before buying any of the securities being offered.

You should rely only on the information we have provided in, or incorporated by reference into, this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement, and any related free writing prospectus or other offering materials, as applicable. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with different information. No dealer, salesperson, or other person is authorized to give any information or to represent anything not contained in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement, any related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable.

Neither the delivery of this prospectus nor any sale made under it implies that there has not been any change in our business or affairs or that the information in this prospectus is correct as of any date after the date of this prospectus. You should assume that the information in this prospectus, any applicable prospectus supplement, any related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, is accurate only as of the date on the front of the document and that any information we have incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus, any applicable prospectus, any applicable prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, or other offering materials, as applicable, or any sale of a security.

The Registration Statement containing this prospectus, including exhibits to the Registration Statement, provides additional information about us and the securities offered under this prospectus and any prospectus supplement. We have filed and plan to continue to file other documents with the SEC that contain information about us and our business. Also, we will file legal documents that control the terms of the securities offered by this prospectus as exhibits to the reports that we file with the SEC. The Registration Statement and other reports can be read at the SEC Internet site or at the SEC offices mentioned under the heading "Available Information."

This prospectus contains summaries of certain provisions contained in some of the documents described herein; but, reference is made to the actual documents for complete information. All of the summaries are qualified in their entirety by the actual documents. Copies of some of the documents referred to herein have been filed, will be filed, or will be incorporated by reference as exhibits to the Registration Statement of which this prospectus is a part, and you may obtain copies of those documents as described below under "Available Information."

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#### AVAILABLE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a Registration Statement on Form S-3 under the Securities Act with respect to the securities covered by this prospectus. This prospectus, which is a part of that Registration Statement, does not contain all of the information set forth in the Registration Statement or the exhibits and schedules filed therewith. For further information with respect to us and the securities covered by this prospectus, please see the Registration Statement and the exhibits filed with the Registration Statement. A copy of the Registration Statement and the exhibits filed with the Registration Statement may be inspected without charge at the Public Reference Room maintained by the SEC, located at 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for more information about the operation of the Public Reference Room. The SEC also maintains an Internet website that contains reports, proxy and information statements, and other information regarding registrants that file electronically with the SEC. The address of the website is http://www.sec.gov.

We are subject to the information and periodic reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), and, in accordance therewith, we file periodic reports, proxy statements, and other information with the SEC. Such periodic reports, proxy statements, and other information are available for inspection and copying at the Public Reference Room and website of the SEC referred to above. We maintain a website at http://www.liveventures.com. You may access our Annual Reports on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, and amendments to those reports filed pursuant to Sections 13(a) or 15(d) of the Exchange Act with the SEC free of charge at our website as soon as reasonably practicable after such material is electronically filed with, or furnished to, the SEC. Our website and the information contained on that site, or connected to that site, are not incorporated into and are not a part of this prospectus.

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## INCORPORATION OF CERTAIN INFORMATION BY REFERENCE

The SEC's rules allow us to incorporate by reference information into this prospectus. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document. Any information referred to in this way is considered part of this prospectus from the date we file that document. Any reports filed by us with the SEC after the date of this prospectus and before the date that the offering of the securities by means of this prospectus is terminated will automatically update and, where applicable, supersede any information contained in this prospectus or incorporated by reference in this prospectus.

We incorporate by reference into this prospectus the following documents or information filed with the SEC (other than, in each case, documents or information deemed to have been furnished and not filed in accordance with SEC rules):

- Our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2022, filed with the SEC on December 16, 2022;
- Our Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended December 31, 2022, filed with the SEC on February 9, 2023;
- Our Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed with the SEC on January 20, 2023, January 24, 2023, February 9, 2023 (excluding any information furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 or Item 7.01 of such Current Reports on Form 8-K); and
- The description of our Common Stock filed as Exhibit 4.2 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2019, filed with the SEC on February 10, 2020.

Additionally, all documents filed by us with the SEC under Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14, or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, after (i) the date of the initial Registration Statement and prior to effectiveness of the Registration Statement and (ii) the date of this prospectus and before the termination or completion of this offering, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this prospectus from the respective dates of filing of such documents, except that we do not incorporate any document or portion of a document that is "furnished" to the SEC, but not deemed "filed." Any information that we subsequently file with the SEC that is incorporated by reference as described above will automatically update and supersede any previous information that is part of this prospectus.

We will provide without charge to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom this prospectus is delivered, upon his or her written or oral request, a copy of any or all documents referred to above that have been or may be incorporated by reference into this prospectus, excluding exhibits to those documents unless they are specifically incorporated by reference into those documents. Written or telephone requests should be directed to Live Ventures Incorporated, 325 E. Warm Springs Road, Suite 102, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119, Attention: Corporate Secretary; telephone: (702) 997-5968.

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## FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the documents we incorporate by reference into it, contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act, and Section 21E of the Exchange Act, the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the "PSLRA") or in releases made by the SEC. Such statements include, without limitation, statements regarding our expectations, hopes, or intentions regarding the future. Statements that are not historical fact are forward-looking statements. These forward looking statements can often be identified by their use of words such as "expect," "believe," "anticipate," "outlook," "could," "target," "project," "intend," "plan," "seek," "estimate," "should," "will," "may," and "assume," as well as variations of such words and similar expressions referring to the future. These cautionary statements are being made pursuant to the Securities Act, the Exchange Act, and the PSLRA with the intention of obtaining the benefits of the "safe harbor" provisions of such laws.

The forward-looking statements contained in or incorporated by reference into this prospectus are largely based on our expectations, which reflect estimates and assumptions made by our management. These estimates and assumptions reflect our best judgment based on currently known market conditions and other factors. Although we believe such estimates and assumptions to be reasonable, they are inherently uncertain and involve certain risks and uncertainties, many of which are beyond our control. If any of those risks and uncertainties materialize, actual results could differ materially from those discussed in any such forward-looking statement. Among the factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in forward-looking statements are those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" below, those discussed under the heading "Risk Factors" and in other sections of our <u>Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2022</u> as well as in our other reports filed from time to time with the SEC that are incorporated by reference into this prospectus. See "Available Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference" for information about how to obtain copies of those documents.

All readers are cautioned that the forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus and in the documents incorporated by reference into this prospectus are not guarantees of future performance, and we cannot assure any reader that such statements will be realized or that the forward-looking events and circumstances will occur. Actual results may differ materially from those anticipated or implied in the forward-looking statements. All forward-looking statements in this prospectus and the documents incorporated by reference into it are made only as of the date of the document in which they are contained, based on information available to us as of the date of that document, and we caution you not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements in light of the risks and uncertainties associated with them. Except as required by law, we undertake no obligation to update any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events, or otherwise.

#### **RISK FACTORS**

Investing in our securities involves significant risks. You should review carefully the risks and uncertainties described under the heading "Risk Factors" contained in, or incorporated into, the applicable prospectus supplement, any related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, and under similar headings in the other documents that are incorporated by reference herein or therein. Each of the referenced risks and uncertainties could adversely affect our business, operating results, and financial condition, as well as adversely affect the value of an investment in our securities. When we offer and sell any securities pursuant to a prospectus supplement, we may include additional risk factors relevant to such securities in the prospectus supplement.

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## BUSINESS

#### General

The "Company," "Live Ventures,", "Live", "we," "our," and "us" are used interchangeably to refer to Live Ventures Incorporated and its subsidiaries, as appropriate in the context.

Live Ventures Incorporated (Nasdaq: LIVE) is a diversified holding company with a strategic focus on value-oriented acquisitions of domestic middle-market companies. Live Ventures' acquisition strategy is industry agnostic, and focuses on well-run, closely held businesses with a demonstrated track record of earnings growth and cash flow generation. The Company looks for opportunities to partner with management to build increased stockholder value through a disciplined buy-build-hold, long-term focused strategy. Live Ventures was founded in 1968 and later refocused under our CEO and strategic investor, Jon Isaac. The Company's current portfolio of diversified operating subsidiaries includes companies in the textile, flooring, tools, steel, entertainment, and financial services industries.

Live's operating businesses are managed on a decentralized basis. There are no centralized or integrated business functions (such as sales, marketing, purchasing, or human resources) and there is minimal involvement by the Company's corporate headquarters staff in the day-to-day business activities of our operating businesses. Live Ventures' corporate management is ultimately responsible for significant capital allocation decisions, investment activities, and the selection of a Chief Executive Officer to head each of Live's operating businesses. Live's corporate management team is also responsible for establishing and monitoring Live Ventures' corporate governance practices, monitoring governance efforts, including those at the operating businesses, and participating in the resolution of governance-related issues, as needed.

As of September 30, 2022, we had approximately 1,249 employees, of whom approximately 952 were full-time employees, in the United States. We believe that we have a good relationship with both our unionized and non-unionized employees. We recognize that attracting, motivating, and retaining talent at all levels is vital to continuing our growth and success. We offer industry-competitive wages and benefits; we are committed to maintaining a workplace environment that promotes employee productivity and satisfaction.

Our principal office is located at 325 E. Warm Springs Road, Suite 102, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119, and our telephone number is (702) 997-5968.

#### **Products and Services**

## Retail Segment

## Vintage Stock

Vintage Stock is an award-winning, specialty entertainment retailer with 70 storefronts across the U.S. Vintage Stock enjoys a wide customer base comprised of electronic entertainment enthusiasts, avid collectors, female gamers, children, seniors and more. Vintage Stock offers a large selection of entertainment products including new and preowned movies, video games, and music products, as well as additional products, such as books, comics, toys, and collectibles—all available in a single location. With its integrated buy-sell-trade business model, Vintage Stock buys, sells and trades new and pre-owned movies, music, video games, electronics and collectibles through various brand names including Vintage Stock, Movie Trading Company, EntertainMart and V-Stock strategically positioned across Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, and Utah. Stores range in size from 3,000 square feet to as large as 46,000 square feet, depending on market draw and population density. In addition to offering a wide array of products, Vintage Stock also offers services to customers, such as rentals, special orders, disc and video game hardware repair, and more. Vintage Stock sells its new and used movies, video games, music, and toys through http://www.vintagestock.com. Vintage Stock's "Cooler Than Cash" program is its customer-reward program. When Vintage Stock customers bring in items to sell, they have two options: (i) sell their pre-owned products for cash or (ii) opt for store credit and receive a 50% bonus.

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## Flooring Liquidators, Inc.

Acquired in January 2023, Flooring Liquidators, Inc., together with Elite Builder Services, Inc., 7 Day Stone, Inc., and Floorable, LLC (collectively, "Flooring Liquidators"), is a leading flooring retailer and new home builder service provider servicing California. Flooring Liquidators provides flooring, countertops and cabinets to its residential replacement, contractor, and mainstream commercial customer base from its 17 retail stores, two distribution centers, and eight fully equipped, shop-at-home mobile showrooms supporting retail stores. Elite Builder Services, Inc. and 7 Day Stone, Inc. provide national and regional new home builders and multi-family developers with flooring, countertops, cabinets, and tile, utilizing their own design centers and on-site builder design centers located throughout Northern and Central California. Floorable, LLC is a franchise opportunity currently being developed, utilizing a proprietary in-home shopping mobile showroom and established back-office support system.

#### ApplianceSmart

ApplianceSmart was a household appliance retailer in Columbus, Ohio with two product categories: one consisting of typical, commonly-available, innovative appliances, and the other consisting of affordable value-priced, niche offerings, such as close-outs, factory overruns, discontinued models, and special-buy appliances, including open box merchandise and others.

On December 9, 2019, ApplianceSmart filed a voluntary petition (the "Chapter 11 Case") in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Bankruptcy Court") seeking relief under Chapter 11 of Title 11 of the United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The bankruptcy affected Live Ventures' indirect subsidiary ApplianceSmart only and did not affect any other subsidiary of Live Ventures, or Live Ventures itself. On February 28, 2022, the court approved ApplianceSmart's plan for reorganization (the "Plan"), discharging ApplianceSmart of certain debts according to the Plan resulting in the Company recording a gain of approximately \$11.4 million, which includes a write-off or adjustment of approximately \$11.5 million on the settlement of debts and other liabilities, offset by payments subject to the bankruptcy that were not included as debtor-in-possession liabilities of approximately \$149,000. As of April 1, 2022, we have ceased operations of its one existing location, and are in the process of winding down operations, which will be immaterial to the consolidated financial statements.

## Marketing

*Vintage Stock.* Vintage Stock markets its stores primarily via social media apps, SMS text messages, including, but not limited to, individual store and corporate Facebook and Twitter accounts. We have an approximately 900,000-customer list for distribution of our digital new release catalog and promotion of online and brick and mortar sales and coupons. Vintage Stock also uses guerrilla marketing by partnering and setting up booths with movie theaters for blockbuster releases, various trade fairs, and school donations.

*Flooring Liquidators – Retailer Division.* Flooring Liquidators markets its products primarily through its strong e-commerce presence and distributes its products through a "hub and spoke" method. This method gives it a cost-effective logistics system, which reduces inventory costs in individual locations and allows the greatest access to its products from any channel. From its central distribution center in Modesto, California, Flooring Liquidators operates tractor trailers that service each of its stores and warehouses daily. Its ability to move products to a location within 24-48 hours and its low-cost, home-delivery service allow customers to receive products much more quickly than from traditional flooring retailers.

## Our Market

*Vintage Stock.* According to the Entertainment Software Association ("ESA"), today's video games provide rich, engaging entertainment for players across all platforms. The 2022 Essential Facts About the Computer and Video Game Industry Report (the "Video Game Industry Report") underscores how video games have evolved into a mass medium, noting that over 215 million adults in the United States play video games, and 69% of Americans have at least one gamer in their household. Today, two in three Americans play video games at least weekly, and nine in 10 players say they spend as much or more time playing now as they did at the pandemic's peak.

According to the ESA, the following statistics show the benefits of video games. The average video game player is 33 years old. Ages 18-34 make up 36% in the age breakdown and 76% of all players are over 18. This shows that growing numbers across age and gender are finding positive benefits of video game play. Sixty-five percent of American adults play video games, an increase from 45% in 2015. Ninety-seven percent of American players view games as beneficial in some ways and eighty-nine percent view games as useful for building skills. Eighty-eight percent of American players agree video games can bring different types of people together and ninety percent of American players agree video games can create accessible experiences for people with different abilities.

Flooring Liquidators – Retailer Division. Flooring Liquidators operates in the large, growing, and highly fragmented  $\sim$ \$24 billion U.S. floor coverings market (in manufacturers' dollars) based on publicly available research, including 2021 reports by Market Insights, LLC, and Catalina Research, Inc., leading providers of market research for the floor coverings industry. The retailer division operates in the residential replacement market in California, with currently planned future expansion into Nevada. Flooring Liquidators buys products from well-known domestic distributors and wholesalers, such as Shaw, Mohawk, and Mannington. This strategy gives the company ready access to products from multiple vendors and insulates it from supply chain constraints. Flooring Liquidators also directly sources approximately 20% of its products from established overseas suppliers with whom management has developed relationships over 15 years. Flooring Liquidators offers those products in its trademarked brands, substantially increasing margin and differentiating itself from its competitors.

*Flooring Liquidators – Builder Division.* Flooring Liquidators' customers include Davidon Homes, D.R. Horton, Inc., KB Home, and K. Hovnanian<sup>®</sup> Homes, among others. Davidon Homes was the largest customer in 2021, representing 13% of revenue. A Discovery and Seeno Homes, D.R. Horton, Inc., and KB Home each represented 10% of 2021 revenue.

#### Competition

*Vintage Stock.* Vintage Stock's industry is intensely competitive and subject to rapid changes in consumer preferences and frequent product introductions. Competition is based on the ability to adopt new technology, aggressive franchising, the establishment of brand names and quality of collections. We compete with mass merchants and regional chains; computer product and consumer electronics stores; other video game and PC software specialty stores; toy retail chains; direct sales by software publishers; and online retailers and game rental companies. However, we have established a presence in areas where we believe that we can take a greater portion of market share. We also compete with sellers of pre-owned and value video game products. Additionally, we compete with other forms of entertainment activities, including casual and mobile games, movies, television, theater, sporting events and family entertainment centers.

*Flooring Liquidators – Retailer Division.* Flooring Liquidator's retail division competes with both local mom-and-pop flooring stores, as well as with big box retailers such as Floor & Décor, Lowe's, and The Home Depot. Unlike mom-and-pop stores, Flooring Liquidators offers consumers a broad range of products and has advanced technology-based solutions with room visualization capabilities. Flooring Liquidators sets itself apart from big box retailers with its proprietary product strategy. Its custom brands are well known by consumers and have come to be associated with high-quality products at a reasonable price. Flooring Liquidators does not need to compete with big box retailers on price with these proprietary products, since consumers cannot easily price compare. Flooring Liquidators has also differentiated itself from the big box retailers by hiring highly experienced employees to assist consumers on the floors of its stores. The average employee at a Flooring Liquidators such as 10 years of flooring experience and can provide exceptional service to customers. Consumers often prefer a local, curated experience compared to that provided at large chains such as Lowe's and The Home Depot, who often hire trainees with little knowledge and experience with flooring products and installation.

*Flooring Liquidators – Builder Division.* Competing against other interior finishes contractors, the builder division serves the new home and multi-family construction market. The builder services business has been consolidating recently, with two main players currently in this space: Interior Logic Group and Residential Design Services. Flooring Liquidators' Builder Division differentiates itself from these competitors by providing builders with a "one-stop shop" for flooring, countertop fabrication, and design services. Homeowners and homebuilders are increasingly looking for alternative options besides these two large players and Flooring Liquidators believes that it is well positioned to capture market share.

#### Flooring Manufacturing Segment

#### Marquis Industries, Inc.

Marquis Industries, Inc. ("Marquis") is a leading carpet manufacturer and a manufacturer of innovative yarn products, as well as a reseller of hard surface flooring products. Over the last decade, Marquis has been an innovator and leader in the value-oriented polyester carpet sector. We focus on the residential, niche commercial, and hospitality endmarkets and serve thousands of customers.

Since commencing operations in 1995, Marquis has built a strong reputation for outstanding value, styling, and customer service. Our innovation has yielded products and technologies that differentiate our brands in the flooring marketplace. Marquis' state-of-the-art operations enable high quality products, unique customization, and exceptionally short lead-times.

On July 1, 2022, Marquis acquired certain assets and intellectual property related to the carpet-backing operations of Better Backers, Inc. ("Better Backers"). For more than 40 years, Better Backers has earned a reputation for quality products and excellent service after the sale. A quality workforce of approximately 54 employees was transitioned as part of the purchase, and that workforce is critical to maintaining the high level of quality.

At September 30, 2022, Marquis operated its business through nine brands, each specializing in a distinct area of the business. Marquis' flooring source division is the largest of all of the brands. The following is a breakdown of each brand and the specialized products sold:

Brand	Products and/or Services
Artisans Hospitality	Carpets to commercial and hospitality markets
Astro Carpet Mills	Specialty printed carpet to the entertainment industry and artificial turf
Better Backers Finishing	Commission carpet coating and finishing services
Constellation Industries	Contract commission printing
Gulistan Floorcoverings	All forms of floor covering to residential dealers featuring patterned and branded carpets
Lonesome Oak	Residential carpet to dealers featuring PET and Nylon specials
Lonesome Oak Manufactured Housing	All forms of floor covering to manufactured housing factories
Marquis Industries	All forms of floor covering to dealers and home centers
Omega Pattern Works	Specialty printed carpet to the entertainment industry (bowling alleys,
-	fun centers, movie theaters, and casinos)

#### Products

Marquis Carpets & Rugs

Marquis produces innovative residential and commercial floorcovering products. Marquis offers 65 running line styles under three brands, Marquis, Gulistan and Lonesome Oak, each of which provide outstanding quality and value. It also offers special value in polyester and nylon styles. Marquis products feature high twist yarns produced with ultra-soft fibers and are designed to perform well in high traffic areas.

Marquis's specialty print brands offer printed patterned carpet designed for commercial applications. Patterns are tailored to a variety of end uses, such as fun centers, movies theatres, hotels, casinos and corporate. All products are printed on high performance nylon and are soil and stain resistant.

#### Marquis Hard Surfaces

The Marquis and Gulistan Floorcoverings Surface product lineup includes products designed for both residential and commercial end uses. Marquis's product offering has remained on the cutting edge of this rapidly evolving segment of the flooring industry and will continue to be an innovator in new technology and design. Marquis Hard Surface currently offers dry-back, click-and-lock luxury vinyl plank and hundreds of rolls of vinyl flooring.

## **Industry and Market**

#### Marquis

Marquis is an integrated carpet manufacturer and distributor of carpet and hard-surface flooring within a fragmented industry composed of a wide variety of companies from small privately held firms to large multinationals. In 2021, the U.S. floor covering industry had an estimated \$33.7 billion in sales. Marquis has a team of 46 full-time salespeople, who deepen customer relationships throughout its markets.

Floor covering sales are influenced by the homeowner remodeling and residential builder markets, existing home sales and housing starts, average house size and home ownership. In addition, the level of sales in the floor covering industry is influenced by consumer confidence, spending for durable goods, the condition of residential and commercial construction, and overall strength of the economy.

#### Our Market

#### Marquis - Carpet and Rugs

The carpet and rug industry had shipments of approximately \$13.0 billion in 2021. The carpet and rugs industry has two primary markets, residential and commercial, with the residential market making up the largest portion of the industry. The industry has two primary sub-markets, replacement, and new construction, with the replacement market making up the larger portion of the sub-markets. Approximately 56.7% of industry shipments are made in response to residential replacement demand.

Residential products consist of broadloom carpets and rugs in a broad range of styles, colors, and textures. Commercial products consist primarily of broadloom carpet and modular carpet tile for a variety of institutional applications including office buildings, restaurant chains, schools and other commercial establishments. The carpet industry also manufactures carpet for the automotive, recreational vehicle, small boat and other industries.

The Carpet and Rug Institute (the "CRI") is the national trade association representing carpet and rug manufacturers. Information compiled by the CRI suggests that the domestic carpet and rug industry is comprised of fewer than 100 manufacturers, with a meaningful percentage of the industry's production concentrated in a limited number of manufacturers focused on the lower end of the price curve.

#### Marquis - Hard Surfaces

Hard flooring surfaces, such as ceramic, luxury vinyl tile, hardwood, stone, and laminate, had shipments of approximately \$20.7 billion in 2021. As with carpet and rugs, the market is split between residential and commercial and replacement and new construction, with residential replacement being the largest segment of the market.

#### Competition

#### Marquis

The North American flooring industry is highly competitive with an increasing variety of product categories, shifting consumer preferences and pressures from imported products, particularly in the rug and hard surface categories. Marquis competes with other flooring manufacturers and resellers. Marquis is a fully integrated carpet mill, and, as a result, is able to produce carpet at the lowest cost possible for its target price point. Marquis is a one-stop shop for soft and hard surface products, allowing its customers to save time and receive exceptional service. Marquis offers innovative products and has quick turnaround times, turning a new product in two weeks from order to delivery. The principal methods of competition are service, quality, price, product innovation and technology. Marquis' lean operating structure, plus investments in manufacturing equipment, computer systems and marketing strategy, contributes to its ability to provide exceptional value on the basis of performance, quality, style, and service.

#### **Raw Materials and Suppliers**

## Marquis

We believe that we will have access to an adequate supply of raw material on satisfactory commercial terms for the foreseeable future, as we are not dependent on any single supplier. We expect to receive adequate supply to service new and existing customers.

#### Customers

#### Marquis

Marquis sells products to flooring dealers, home centers, other flooring manufacturers and directly to commercial end-users. The majority of sales are to a network of flooring dealers across several different end markets, geographies, and product lines. Management believes that the dealer market is the most profitable market for its products because it's a diversified customer base that values innovation, style, and service.

#### Manufacturing

Marquis has multiple manufacturing facilities with state-of-the-art equipment in all phases of its vertically integrated production, from extrusion of yarn-to-yarn processing to tufting and finishing carpet. Marquis manufactures high quality products and offer unique customization with exceptionally short lead-times. Marquis' investment in new yarn extrusion capacity will allow expansion into new markets while reducing production costs. The new equipment allows Marquis to reduce production costs and increase margins.

#### Steel Manufacturing Segment

#### Precision Industries, Inc.

The Company acquired Precision Industries, Inc. ("Precision Marshall") in July 2020. Precision Marshall is the North American leader in providing and manufacturing prefinished de-carb-free tool and die steel. For nearly 75 years, Precision Marshall has served steel distributors through quick and accurate service. Precision Marshall has led the industry with exemplary availability and value-added processing that saves distributors time and processing costs.

Founded in 1948, Precision Marshall "The Deluxe Company" has built a reputation of high integrity, speed of service and doing things the "Deluxe Way". The term Deluxe refers to all aspects of the product and customer service to be head and shoulders above the rest. From order entry to packaging and delivery, Precision Marshall makes it easy to do business and backs all products and service with a guarantee.

Precision Marshall provides four key products to over 500 steel distributors in four product categories: Deluxe Alloy Plate, Deluxe Tool Steel Plate, Precision Ground Flat Stock, and Drill Rod. With over 5,000 distinct size grade combinations in stock every day, Precision Marshall arms tool steel distributors with deep inventory availability and same day shipment to their place of business or often ships direct to their customer saving time and handling.

#### The Kinetic Co., Inc.

On June 28, 2022, Precision Marshall acquired The Kinetic Co., Inc. ("Kinetic"). Kinetic is a highly recognizable and regarded brand name in the production of industrial knives and hardened wear products for the tissue and metals industries and is known as a one-stop shop for in-house grinding, machining, and heat-treating. Kinetic was founded by the Masters family in 1948 and is headquartered in Greendale, Wisconsin. Kinetic manufactures more than 90 types of knives and numerous associated parts with modifications and customizations available to each. Kinetic employs approximately 100 non-union employees. The company's website is www.knifemaker.com.

#### Products

## Precision Industries, Inc.

## Deluxe Alloy Plate

Precision Marshall provides three alloy plate products in sizes from 1/4 inch to 8 inches in thickness. These de-carb-free heat treated, and annealed plates are square and within a .020 tolerance on the surface allowing distributors to save cutting time, kerf loss and machining time.

## Deluxe Tool Steel Plate

Offering six different grades from 1/4 inch to 8 inches in thickness commonly used in the tooling industry, these square decarb-free, pre-heat-treated plates are finished to .020 tolerance, to provide distributors with the perfect plate to service their customers.

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#### Precision Ground Flat Stock

Over 4,000 size/grade combinations across ten grades of tool steel, alloy and stainless steel are available every day and shipped the same day out of Precision Marshall national distribution center in Bolingbrook, Illinois over 99% of the time. These flat bars are finished to a 32 RMS finish within an .001 tolerance on the surface and are produced and available off the shelf in 18, 24, 36, and 72 inch and one-meter lengths. Custom, special tolerance items are made to order and typically shipped in three calendar days or less.

#### Drill Rod

Eight grades with over 800 diameter/grade combinations of polished round bars in lengths of 36, 72, and 144 inches are available for immediate shipment from the national distribution center.

#### The Kinetic Co., Inc.

Kinetic manufactures and sells steel perforation blades and tungsten carbine anvils for paper or tissue-converting machinery; fly knives for napkin folding machinery; cut-off blades for diaper machinery, wrapper knives for tissue, film, and foil wrapping machines, chopper blades used in tissue, towel, and printing machinery, and tube and core cutter blades, core saws, slitters, slitter anvils, sheeted knives, pulp cutters, guillotine blades, roll splitter blades to the tissue/paper industry. Kinetic also manufactures profile knives, shear blades, scrap choppers, and side trimmers for the steel industry.

#### **Industry and Market**

## Precision Industries, Inc.

Precision Marshall is a fully integrated manufacturer and distributor of the above-mentioned steel products. Precision Marshall provides steel service centers and distributors with immediate availability, allowing customers to have access to all sizes and grades without having to make an inventory investment. Precision Marshall only sells to distributors and steel service centers and has a strict policy of not selling to end-users. The tool steel market is a niche market within the steel industry.

## The Kinetic Co., Inc.

Kinetic primarily serves three industries or market segments, which include the tissue industry, steel industry, and contract work. The majority of Kinetic's revenues are derived from replacement knives or products specifically designed and manufactured to replace wear parts on cutting equipment. Kinetic has a world class reputation and is a respected brand in the industries it serves. Kinetic differentiates itself from its competition being a one-stop-shop for grinding, machining, and heat treating. Much of the work done by Kinetic is very specialized and its customers demand high quality and reliable products to keep production lines running. Kinetic has a customer base consisting of approximately 800 customers, and is very diversified, broad, and stable. Ninety-five percent of Kinetic's revenues are from sales to companies located in the U.S.

#### **Our Market**

#### Precision Industries, Inc.

## Deluxe Alloy Plate

The De-Carb Free Alloy Plate Industry through distribution provides steel for molds and tooling across virtually all manufacturing segments with a dominance in the automobile industry. The alloy plate trade named "Marshalloy" comes in Heat Treat, Annealed and the superior proprietary mold quality which provides tighter chemistry and higher machine and polish ability.

## Deluxe Tool Steel Plate

The De-Carb Free Tool Steel Plate Market in North America supplies pre-heat-treated plates that are commonly used to make tools, dies and industrial knives used in a variety of industries with a dominance in the automotive industry.

## Precision Ground Flat Stock

The Precision Ground Flat Stock market provides refined tool steel, alloy and stainless flat bars are used to make tools, dies, holder blocks and industrial knives across all North American Manufacturing categories. Offering tight tolerances and a line ground finish, this product saves tool and die makers time and money by the off-the-shelf product being closer to the finished tool, die or industrial knife.

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## Drill Rod

Drill Rod are tight tolerance pre-hardened round bars two inches and below in diameter used in punching presses and screw applications.

## The Kinetic Co., Inc.

The largest industry served by Kinetic is the Tissue Industry with well in excess of 400 customers. Kinetic also serves 200 steel mills or steel service centers across the US and Canada. The contract business at Kinetic is a catchall segment consisting of a wide range of products and services ranging from plate grinding or milling for customers to countless specialized needs companies which require precision machining, grinding and heat treat applications.

#### Competition

#### Precision Industries, Inc.

The tool and die steel market in North America is highly competitive and requires a high investment in inventory, manufacturing, and service infrastructure. There are several long-standing competitors in each product segment. Precision Industries competes through speed of service by having high inventory availability and an easy to purchase customer experience.

#### The Kinetic Co., Inc.

A number of companies compete with Kinetic in the tissue/paper industry. The primary competitors are International Knife and Saw ("IKS"), located in South Carolina, Everwear, located in Missouri, and TKM, located in Germany. Kinetic produces a wider range of products than its competitors in the tissue/paper industry. Competitors in the steel industry include IKS, American Shear Knife ("ASKO"), which manufactures in Mexico, or overseas, and Modern Machine located in Indiana. Small machine shops are competitors to the Kinetic contract segment.

#### **Raw Material and Suppliers**

## Precision Industries, Inc.

There are a limited number of suppliers in the world market across each product category. Precision Marshall has developed a strength by securing a dedicated supply chain across several of its product offerings. Precision Marshall works with almost all the highly specialized providers and has more than adequate sourcing options.

#### The Kinetic Co., Inc.

There are a limited number of specialized tool steel suppliers in the world, and many are located in Europe. Kinetic has established long-term relationships with all of its foreign and domestic tool steel suppliers. Long lead times have become an added challenge in recent years, however, Kinetic does significant advanced planning to assure the timely receipt and stocking of inventory levels.

#### Sales, Marketing, and Distribution

#### Precision Industries, Inc.

Precision Marshall has two distribution centers that hosts its products. The national distribution center is strategically located and can service the tooling hub of the Midwest. The Company manufactures all products and holds the inventory for the Deluxe Alloy and Deluxe Tool Steel plate products at its corporate headquarters in Washington, Pennsylvania. Precision Marshall has more than 18 people selling, marketing, and distributing its products.

## The Kinetic Co., Inc.

Kinetic distributes all of its products from its Greendale, Wisconsin headquarters facility. Kinetic will carry some finished goods inventory, which is located either in Greendale, or at a warehouse facility in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The majority of Kinetic products are manufactured in Greendale and shipped upon completion. The Kinetic sales team consists of direct salespeople comprised of both employee Territory Sales Managers and outside sales representatives. This team of salespeople calls on customers and prospects located throughout the US. Kinetic also has a seasoned four-person inside sales team which is specialized in the market, and offers tremendous technological knowledge and insight to its customers.

## Corporate and Other Segment

Our corporate and other segment consists of certain corporate general and administrative costs, Salomon Whitney LLC ("SW Financial"), a variable interest entity ("VIE"), and operations of certain legacy product and service offerings for which we are no longer accepting new customers.

## **Intellectual Property**

Our success will depend significantly on our ability to develop and maintain the proprietary aspects of our technology and operate without infringing upon the intellectual

property rights of third parties. We currently rely primarily on a combination of copyright, trade secret and trademark laws, confidentiality procedures, contractual provisions, and similar measures to protect our intellectual property.

We estimate that reliance upon trade secrets and unpatented proprietary know-how will continue to be our principal method of protecting our trade secrets and other proprietary technologies. We generally own (or have permissive licenses for) the intellectual property provided by third-party contractors, even though we hire such contractors to help develop our proprietary software and to provide various fulfillment services. Our proprietary software is not significantly dependent on any third-party software, although our software does utilize open-source code. Notwithstanding the use of this open-source code, we do not believe our usage requires public disclosure of our own source code nor do we believe the use of open-source code will have a material impact on our business.

We register some of our product names, slogans, and logos in the United States. In addition, we require our employees, contractors, and many of those with whom we have business relationships to sign non-disclosure and confidentiality agreements. Neither intellectual property laws, contractual arrangements, nor any of the other steps we have taken to protect our intellectual property, can ensure that third parties will not exploit our technologies or develop similar technologies.

Our proprietary publishing system provides an advanced set of integrated tools for design, service, and modifications to support our mobile web app services. Our mobile web app builder software enables easy and efficient design, end user modification and administration, and includes a variety of other tools accessible by our team members.

## SELECTED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL DATA

The following tables set forth selected consolidated financial data for the periods ended or as of the dates indicated. Such historical consolidated financial data should be read in conjunction with the information set forth in our <u>Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2022</u> filed with the SEC on December 16, 2022, and incorporated herein by reference.

The statement of operations data presented below for each of the years ended September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2021, and the balance sheet data as of September 30, 2022 and September 30, 2021, are derived from the audited "Consolidated Financial Statements" contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2022. Our historical results are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for any future periods.

(in thousands, except per share)

	Year	Years Ended September 30,	
	2022		2021
Revenues	\$	286,913 \$	272,981
Cost of revenues		189,086	173,518
Gross profit		97,827	99,463
Operating expenses:			
General and administrative expenses		54,531	52,246
Sales and marketing expenses		12,459	11,427
Impairment expense		4,910	_
Total operating expenses		71,900	63,673
Operating income		25,927	35,790
Other income (expense):			
Interest expense, net		(4,209)	(5,205)
Gain on Payroll Protection Program loan forgiveness		—	6,150
Gain on bankruptcy settlement		11,352	1,765
Loss on debt extinguishment		(84)	
Other income (expense), net		(1,370)	1,179
Total other income, net		5,689	3,889
Income before income taxes		31,616	39,679
Provision for income taxes		6,875	8,662
Net income		24,741	31,017
Net loss attributable to non-controlling interest		_	180
Net income attributable to Live stockholders	\$	24,741 \$	31,197
Income per share:		<u> </u>	
Basic	\$	7.94 \$	19.92
Diluted	\$	7.84 \$	9.80
Weighted average common shares outstanding:	Ψ	7.04 \$	9.00
Basic	3	116,214	1,566,288
Diluted		155,535	3,182,546
Dividends declared - Series B convertible preferred stock	\$	\$	5,182,540
Dividends declared - Series E convertible preferred stock	\$	— \$ — \$	_
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	September 30, 2022	5	September 30, 2021
Balance Sheet Data			
Total assets	\$ 278,63	7 \$	211,738
Current liabilities	56,38	8	64,960
Long term liabilities	125,08	37	71,698
Total stockholders' equity	97,16	2	75,080

We may issue from time to time, in one or more offerings the following securities:

- shares of Common Stock;
- shares of Preferred Stock, which may be convertible into shares of Common Stock;
- debt securities, which may be senior or subordinated and may be convertible into or exchangeable for shares of Common Stock or shares of Preferred Stock;
- · warrants exercisable for debt securities, shares of Common Stock, or shares of Preferred Stock;
- · rights to purchase any of such securities; and
- · units composed of our debt securities, shares of Common Stock, shares of Preferred Stock, and warrants, in any combination.

This prospectus contains a summary of the material general terms of the various securities that we may offer. The specific terms of the securities will be described in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, which may be in addition to or different from the general terms summarized in this prospectus. Where applicable, the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials will also describe any material United States federal income tax considerations relating to the securities offered and indicate whether the securities offered are or will be listed on any securities exchange. The summaries contained in this prospectus and in any prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials will also describe any material. The summaries contained in this prospectus and in any prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, may not contain all of the information that you would find useful. Accordingly, you should read the actual documents relating to any securities sold pursuant to this prospectus. See "Available Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference" for information about how to obtain copies of those documents.

The terms of any particular offering, the initial offering price, and the net proceeds to us will be contained in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, relating to such offering.

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## DESCRIPTION OF CAPITAL STOCK

The following summary of terms of our Common Stock and our Preferred Stock is based upon our Articles of Incorporation (our "Charter") and Bylaws (our "Bylaws"), currently in effect, and under Chapter 78 of the Nevada Revised Statutes (the "NRS"). This summary is not complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, our Charter and our Bylaws. For a complete description of the terms and provisions of our Common Stock, please refer to our Charter and Bylaws, which are filed as exhibits to Registration Statement of which this prospectus forms a part. Throughout this section, references to "we," "our," and "us" refer to Live Ventures Incorporated and its subsidiaries. We encourage you to carefully read these documents and the applicable provisions of the NRS.

#### General

Our authorized capital stock consists of 10,000,000 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, and 5,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share, of which 1,000,000 shares are designated as Series B Convertible Preferred Stock (our "Series B Preferred Stock"), and 200,000 shares are designated as Series E Convertible Preferred Stock (our "Series B Preferred Stock").

As of March 21, 2023, we had 3,165,890 shares of our Common Stock issued and outstanding, no shares of our Series B Preferred Stock issued and outstanding, and 47,840 shares of our Series E Preferred Stock issued and outstanding.

The authorized and unissued shares of Common Stock and Preferred Stock are available for issuance without further action by our stockholders, unless such action is required by applicable law or the rules of any stock exchange on which our securities may then be listed. Unless approval of our stockholders is so required, our Board of Directors (our "Board") does not currently intend to seek stockholder approval for the issuance and sale of our Common Stock.

All of our issued and outstanding shares of our capital stock are fully paid and non-assessable.

#### **Common Stock**

#### Voting, Dividend, and Liquidation Rights

Each holder of our Common Stock is entitled to one vote for each share issued and outstanding held on all matters to be voted upon by the stockholders. Our Charter does not provide for cumulative voting in the election of directors. The holders of shares of our Common Stock will be entitled to such cash dividends as may be declared from time to time by our Board from funds available therefor. Upon the sale of substantially all of our capital stock or assets in a non-public transaction or dissolution, liquidation or winding up, and after all liquidation preferences payable to any series of preferred stock entitled thereto have been satisfied, our remaining assets shall be distributed to all holders of Common Stock and any similarly situated stockholders who are not entitled to any liquidation preference or, if there be an insufficient amount to pay all such stockholders, then ratably among such holders.

## Preemptive or Other Rights

Our shares of Common Stock do not have any preemptive, conversion, or redemption rights.

#### Stockholder Action; Special Meetings

Our Bylaws provide that stockholders' actions can only be taken at an annual or special meeting of our stockholders. Our Bylaws provide that special meetings of the stockholders may be called at any time only by the Chairman of our Board, our Chief Executive Officer, or our President. Our Charter does not permit stockholders to take action by written consent in lieu of an annual or special meeting unless the action to be effected and the taking of such action by written consent has been approved in advance by our Board.

#### Board of Directors; Removal; Vacancies

Our Bylaws specify that the number of directors is to be determined by a majority of the total number of directors serving prior to any increase or decrease, provided there are at least three and no more than nine directors. Our Board is currently composed of five directors. We do not have a classified Board. Pursuant to our Bylaws and the NRS, a director serves until the next annual meeting and until his or her successor has been elected and qualified, or until his or her earlier death, removal, or resignation.

Newly created directorships resulting from an increase in the number of directors and vacancies occurring on our Board for any reason may be filled by a vote of a majority of the directors then in office, although less than a quorum exists. A director that is appointed or elected to fill a vacancy shall hold office for the remaining term of his or her predecessor.

## Limitation of Liability and Indemnification

Our Charter provides that none of our directors and officers shall be personally liable to us or our stockholders for damages for breach of fiduciary duty as a director or officer, except for liability for (i) acts or omissions that involve intentional misconduct, fraud, or knowing violation of law or (ii) for authorizing any distribution in violation of Section 78.300 of the NRS. Our Bylaws provide that any officer or director who is made a party or witness to an action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was one of our directors or officers or serving at our request as a director, officer, employee, or agent, shall be indemnified and held harmless by us to the fullest extent authorized by the NRS. The right to indemnification shall include the right of advancement of expenses to the extent permitted under the NRS.

#### Listing and Transfer Agent

Our common stock is listed on The Nasdaq Capital Market under the symbol "LIVE." The transfer agent and registrar for our common stock is VStock Transfer, LLC.

#### **Preferred Stock**

#### Dividends

We have two series of authorized preferred stock. Each share of Series E Preferred Stock is entitled to and receives a dividend of \$0.015 per year. Our Series B Preferred Stock is entitled to receive a dividend in the aggregate amount of \$1.00 to be allocated on a pro rata basis among all of the then-issued and outstanding shares of such Series, if, when, and as our Board of Directors shall have declared it. The Board of Directors shall not declare, pay, or set aside any dividends on shares of any other class or series of capital stock of our Company unless that \$1.00 dividend has been declared and paid.

Presently, we do not pay dividends on shares of our Series B Preferred Stock. Our declaration and payment of cash dividends in the future and the amount thereof will depend upon our results of operations, financial condition, cash requirements, prospects, limitations imposed by credit agreements and/or indentures governing debt securities and other factors deemed relevant by our Board of Directors.

#### Anti-Takeover Effects of Certain Provisions of our Charter, our Bylaws, and the NRS

Certain provisions of the NRS and our Charter and Bylaws could make more difficult the acquisition of us by means of a tender offer or otherwise, and the removal of incumbent officers and directors. These provisions are expected to discourage certain types of coercive takeover practices and inadequate takeover bids and to encourage persons seeking to acquire control of us.

## Advance Notice of Stockholder Proposals

Our Bylaws provide that stockholders may submit proposals for inclusion in the agenda for an Annual Meeting of Stockholders by complying with the advance notice procedures set forth in our Bylaws. Stockholder proposals must be submitted to the Chairman of our Board, our Chief Executive Officer, our President, or our Secretary not less than 120 days before the one-year anniversary of the date on which we released our proxy statement in connection with the previous year's annual meeting of stockholders. In the event that our annual meeting date has been changed by more than 30 days from the date of the prior year's annual meeting, written proposals must be submitted within a reasonable time before we begin to print and mail our proxy materials. To be in proper form, a stockholder's written proposal must include: (i) a brief description of the business desired to be brought before the annual meeting and the reasons for conducting such business at the annual meeting, (ii) the name and record address of such stockholder, (iii) the class or series and number of shares of our capital stock that are owned beneficially or of record by such stockholder, (iv) a description of all arrangements or understandings between such stockholder and any other person or persons (including their names) in connection with the proposal of such stockholder and any material interest of such stockholder in such business, and (v) a representation that such stockholder intends to appear in person or by proxy at the annual meeting to bring such business before the meeting. This provision could make it more difficult for stockholders to submit proposals for consideration and nominees for director at an annual meeting of our stockholders.

#### **Business Combinations**

The "business combination" provisions of Sections 78.411 to 78.444, inclusive, of the NRS prohibit a Nevada corporation with at least 200 stockholders (at least 100 of whom are stockholders of record and residents of the State of Nevada) from engaging in various "combination" transactions with any interested stockholder for a period of three years after the date of the transaction in which the person became an interested stockholder, unless the transaction is approved by the entity's board of directors prior to the date the interested stockholder obtained such status; or after the expiration of the three-year period, unless:

- the transaction is approved by the entity's board of directors or a majority of the voting power held by disinterested stockholders of the entity, or
- if the consideration to be paid by the interested stockholder is at least equal to the highest of: (a) the highest price per share paid by the interested stockholder within the three years immediately preceding the date of the announcement of the combination or in the transaction in which it became an interested stockholder, whichever is higher, (b) the market value per share of common stock on the date of announcement of the combination and the date the interested stockholder acquired the shares, whichever is higher, or (c) for holders of preferred stock, the highest liquidation value of the preferred stock, if it is higher.

A "combination" is defined to include mergers or consolidations or any sale, lease exchange, mortgage, pledge, transfer, or other disposition, in one transaction or a series of transactions, with an "interested stockholder" having: (a) an aggregate market value equal to 5% or more of the aggregate market value of the corporation, (b) an aggregate market value equal to 5% or more of the aggregate market value of all outstanding shares of the corporation, or (c) 10% or more of the earning power or net income of the corporation.

In general, an "interested stockholder" is a person who, together with affiliates and associates, owns (or within three years, did own) 10% or more of an entity's voting stock. The statute could prohibit or delay mergers or other takeover or change in control attempts and, accordingly, may discourage attempts to acquire us even though such a transaction may offer our stockholders the opportunity to sell their stock at a price above the prevailing market price.

## Acquisitions of Controlling Interest

Nevada's "acquisition of controlling interest" statutes (NRS 78.378 through 78.3793, inclusive) contain provisions governing the acquisition of a controlling interest in certain

Nevada corporations. These "control share" laws provide generally that any person who acquires a "controlling interest" in certain Nevada corporations may be denied voting rights, unless a majority of the disinterested stockholders of the corporation elects to restore such voting rights. These laws would apply to us as of a particular date if we were to have 200 or more stockholders of record (at least 100 of whom have addresses in Nevada appearing on our stock ledger at all times during the 90 days immediately preceding that date) and do business in the State of Nevada directly or through an affiliated corporation, unless our Charter or Bylaws in effect on the tenth day after the acquisition of a controlling interest provide otherwise. These laws provide that a person acquires a "controlling interest" whenever a person acquires shares of a subject corporation that, but for the application of these provisions of the NRS, would enable that person to exercise (1) one-fifth or more, but less than one-third, (2) one-third or more, but less than a majority, or (3) a majority or more of all of the voting power of that corporation in the election of its directors. Once an acquirer crosses one of these thresholds, shares that it acquired within the 90 days immediately preceding the date when it acquired or offered to acquire a controlling interest become "control shares" to which the voting restrictions described above apply.

## DESCRIPTION OF PREFERRED STOCK

Shares of our Preferred Stock may be issued in one or more series, and our Board is authorized to determine the designation and to fix the number of shares of each series. Our Board is further authorized to fix and determine the dividend rate, premium or redemption rates, conversion rights, voting rights, preferences, privileges, restrictions, and other variations granted to or imposed upon any wholly unissued series of our Preferred Stock.

Prior to the issuance of shares of a series of Preferred Stock, our Board will adopt resolutions and file a certificate of designation with the Secretary of State of the State of Nevada. The certificate of designation will fix for each series the designation and number of shares and the rights, preferences, privileges, and restrictions of the shares including, but not limited to, the following:

- the voting rights, if any, of the Preferred Stock;
- any rights and terms of redemption;
- the dividend rate(s), period(s), and/or payment date(s) or method(s) of calculation applicable to the Preferred Stock;
- · whether dividends are cumulative or non-cumulative and, if cumulative, the date from which dividends on the Preferred Stock will accumulate;
- the relative ranking and preferences of the preferred stock as to dividend rights and rights upon the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of our affairs;
- the terms and conditions, if applicable, upon which the Preferred Stock will be convertible into Common Stock, another series of Preferred Stock, or any other class of securities, including the conversion price (or manner of calculation) and conversion period;
- the provision for redemption, if applicable, of the Preferred Stock;
- the provisions for a sinking fund, if any, for the Preferred Stock;
- the liquidation preferences, if any, for the Preferred Stock;
- any limitations on the issuance of any class or series of Preferred Stock ranking senior to or on a parity with the class or series of Preferred Stock as to dividend rights and
  rights upon liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of our affairs; and
- any other specific terms, preferences, rights, limitations, or restrictions of the Preferred Stock.

In addition to the terms listed above, we will set forth in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, the following terms relating to the series of Preferred Stock being offered:

- the number of shares of the preferred stock offered, the liquidation preference per share, the conversion rights, and the offering price of the Preferred Stock;
- the procedures for any auction and remarketing, if any, for the Preferred Stock;
- any listing of the Preferred Stock on any securities exchange; and
- a discussion of any material and/or special United States federal income tax considerations applicable to the Preferred Stock.

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## **DESCRIPTION OF DEBT SECURITIES**

The following description, together with the additional information we include in any applicable prospectus supplements or any related free writing prospectus or other offering materials, as applicable, summarizes the material terms and provisions of the debt securities that we may offer under this prospectus. While the terms we have summarized below will apply generally to any future debt securities we may offer pursuant to this prospectus, we will describe the particular terms of any debt securities that we may offer in more detail in the applicable prospectus supplement. If we so indicate in a prospectus supplement, the terms of any debt securities offered under such prospectus supplement may differ from the terms we describe below, and to the extent the terms set forth in a prospectus supplement differ from the terms described below, the terms set forth in the prospectus supplement or any related free writing prospectus or other offering materials, as applicable, shall control.

We may sell from time to time, in one or more offerings under this prospectus, debt securities, in one or more series. These debt securities that we may issue include senior debt securities, senior subordinated debt securities, subordinated debt securities, convertible debt securities, and exchangeable debt securities. We will issue any such senior debt securities under a senior indenture that we will enter into with a trustee to be named in the senior indenture. We will issue any such subordinated debt securities under a subordinated indenture, which we will enter into with a trustee to be named in the subordinated indenture. We use the term "indentures" to refer to either the senior indenture or the subordinated indenture, as applicable. The indentures will be qualified under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended (the "Trust Indenture Act"), as in effect on the date of the indenture. We use the term "debenture trustee" to refer to either the trustee under the senior indenture or the trustee under the subordinated indenture.

The following summary description, together with the additional information we may include in any applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, does not purport to be complete and is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the form of indenture filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which the prospectus is a part, as it may be supplemented, amended, or modified from time to time, as well as the notes and supplemental agreement relating to each series of debt securities that will be incorporated by reference as exhibits to the Registration Statement that includes the prospectus or as exhibits to a Current Report on Form 8-K if we offer debt securities.

#### General

The indenture does not limit the amount of debt securities that may be issued thereunder, and each indenture provides that the specific terms of any series of debt securities shall be set forth in, or determined pursuant to, an authorizing resolution and/or a supplemental indenture, if any, relating to such series.

We may issue the debt securities issued under the indentures as "discount securities," which means they may be sold at a discount below their stated principal amount. These debt securities, as well as other debt securities that are not issued at a discount, may be issued with "original issue discount," or "OID," for U.S. federal income tax purposes because of interest payment and other characteristics or terms of the debt securities. Material U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to debt securities issued with OID will be described in more detail in any applicable prospectus supplement.

We will describe in the applicable prospectus supplement, the related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, the terms of the series of debt securities being offered, including:

- the title or designation;
- the aggregate principal amount and any limit on the aggregate principal amount that may be issued;
- the maturity date or dates on which principal will be payable;
- the form of the debt securities of the series;
- the applicability of any guarantees;
- · whether or not the debt securities will be secured or unsecured, and the terms of any secured debt;

- · whether the debt securities rank as senior debt, senior subordinated debt, subordinated debt, or any combination thereof, and the terms of any subordination;
- if the price (expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount thereof) at which such debt securities will be issued is a price other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount thereof payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof, or, if applicable, the portion of the principal amount of such debt securities that is convertible into another security or the method by which any such portion shall be determined;
- the interest rate or rates, which may be fixed or variable, or the method for determining the rate and the date interest will begin to accrue, the dates interest will be payable, and the regular record dates for interest payment dates or the method for determining such dates;
- our right, if any, to defer payment of interest and the maximum length of any such deferral period;
- if applicable, the date or dates after which, or the period or periods during which, and the price or prices at which, we may, at our option, redeem the series of debt securities pursuant to any optional or provisional redemption provisions and the terms of those redemption provisions;
- the date or dates, if any, on which, and the price or prices at which we are obligated, pursuant to any mandatory sinking fund or analogous fund provisions or otherwise, to redeem, or at the holder's option to purchase, the series of debt securities and the currency or currency unit in which the debt securities are payable;
- the denominations in which we will issue the series of debt securities, if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof;
- the place or places where payments will be payable;
- whether the debt securities of that series shall be issued in whole or in part in the form of a global security or securities, the terms and conditions, if any, upon which such global security or securities may be exchanged in whole or in part for other individual securities; and the depositary for such global security or securities;
- whether the indenture will restrict our ability to pay dividends or will require us to maintain any asset ratios or reserves;
- if, other than the full principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of debt securities of the series that shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof;
- whether we will be restricted from incurring any additional indebtedness;
- additions to or changes in the events of default with respect to the securities and any change in the right of the trustee or the holders to declare the principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any, with respect to such securities to be due and payable;
- additions to or changes in the provisions relating to satisfaction and discharge of the indenture;
- additions to or changes in the provisions relating to the modification of the indenture both with and without the consent of holders of debt securities issued under the indenture;
- whether interest will be payable in cash or additional debt securities at our or the holders' option and the terms and conditions upon which the election may be made;
- the terms and conditions, if any, upon which we will pay amounts in addition to the stated interest, premium, if any, and principal amounts of the debt securities of the series to any holder that is not a "United States person" for federal tax purposes;
- any restrictions on transfer, sale, or assignment of the debt securities of the series;

- · a discussion on any material or special U.S. federal income tax considerations applicable to a series of debt securities; and
- any other specific terms, preferences, rights, or limitations of, or restrictions on, the debt securities, any other additions or changes in the provisions of the indenture, and any terms that may be required by us or advisable under applicable laws or regulations.

We may issue debt securities that provide for an amount less than their stated principal amount to be due and payable upon declaration of acceleration of their maturity pursuant to the terms of the indenture. We will provide you with information on the federal income tax considerations and other special consideration applicable to any of these debt securities in the applicable prospectus supplement, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable.

## **Conversion or Exchange Rights**

We will set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, the terms on which a series of debt securities may be convertible into or exchangeable for shares of our Common Stock, shares of our Preferred Stock, or other securities. We will include provisions as to settlement upon conversion or exchange and whether conversion or exchange is mandatory, at the option of the holder, or at our option. We may include provisions pursuant to which the number of shares of our Common Stock, shares of our Preferred Stock, or our other securities that the holders of the series of debt securities receive would be subject to adjustment.

## Consolidation, Merger, or Sale; No Protection in Event of a Change of Control or Highly Leveraged Transaction

Unless we provide otherwise in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, applicable to a particular series of debt securities, the indenture will contain covenant that restricts our ability to merge or consolidate, or sell, convey, transfer, or otherwise dispose of our assets as an entirety or substantially as an entirety, unless we are the surviving corporation or the successor to or acquirer of such assets (other than a subsidiary of ours) expressly assumes all of our obligations under the indenture or the debt securities, as appropriate. In addition, we cannot complete such a transaction unless immediately after completing the transaction, no event of default under the indenture, and no event that, after notice or lapse of time or both, would become an event of default under the indenture, has occurred and is continuing.

Unless we provide otherwise in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable to a particular series of debt securities, the debt securities will not contain any provisions that may afford holders of the debt securities protection in the event we have a change of control or in the event of a highly leveraged transaction (whether or not such transaction results in a change of control), which could adversely affect holders of debt securities.

## **Events of Default Under the Indentures**

Unless we provide otherwise in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable to a particular series of debt securities, the following are events of default under the indentures with respect to any series of debt securities that we may issue:

- if we fail to pay interest when due and our failure continues for a period of 90 daysprovided, however, that a valid extension of an interest payment period by us in
  accordance with the terms of any indenture supplement thereto shall not constitute a default in the payment of interest for this purpose;
- if we fail to pay the principal of, or premium, if any, on any series of debt securities as and when the same shall become due and payable whether at maturity, upon
  redemption, by declaration or otherwise, or in any payment required by any sinking or analogous fund established with respect to such series; *provided, however*, that a
  valid extension of the maturity of such debt securities in accordance with the terms of any indenture supplement thereto shall not constitute a default in the payment of
  principal or premium, if any;

- if we fail to observe or perform any other covenant or agreement contained in the debt securities or the indenture, other than a covenant specifically relating to another
  series of debt securities, and our failure continues for 90 days after we receive written notice of such failure, requiring the same to be remedied and stating that such is
  a notice of default thereunder, from the trustee or holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of the applicable series; and
- if specified events of bankruptcy, insolvency, or reorganization occur as to us.

No event of default with respect to a particular series of debt securities (except as to certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency, or reorganization) necessarily constitutes an event of default with respect to any other series of debt securities. The occurrence of an event of default may constitute an event of default under any bank credit agreements we may have in existence from time to time. In addition, the occurrence of certain events of default or acceleration under the indenture may constitute an event of default under certain of our other indebtedness outstanding from time to time.

If an event of default with respect to debt securities of any series at the time outstanding occurs and is continuing, then the trustee or the holders of at least 25% in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series may, by a notice in writing to us (and to the debenture trustee if given by the holders), declare to be due and payable immediately the principal (or, if the debt securities of that series are discount securities, that portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series) of and premium and accrued and unpaid interest, if any, on all debt securities of that series. Before a judgment or decree for payment of the money due has been obtained with respect to debt securities of any series, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series (or, at a meeting of holders of such series at which a quorum is present, the holders of a majority in principal, premium, if any, and interest, if any, with respect to debt securities of that series, have been cured or waived as provided in the applicable indenture (including payments or deposits in respect of principal, premium or interest that had become due other than as a result of such acceleration). We refer you to the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, relating to any series of debt securities that are discount securities for the particular provisions relating to acceleration of the principal amount of such discount securities upon the occurrence of an event of default.

Subject to the terms of the indentures, if an event of default under an indenture shall occur and be continuing, the debenture trustee will be under no obligation to exercise any of its rights or powers under such indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders of the applicable series of debt securities, unless such holders have offered the debenture trustee reasonable indemnity. The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series will have the right to direct the time, method, and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the debenture trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the debenture trustee, with respect to the debt securities of that series, provided, that:

- the direction so given by the holder is not in conflict with any law or the applicable indenture; and
- subject to its duties under the Trust Indenture Act, the debenture trustee need not take any action that might involve it in personal liability or might be unduly
  prejudicial to the holders not involved in the proceeding.

A holder of the debt securities of any series will only have the right to institute a proceeding under the indentures or to appoint a receiver or trustee, or to seek other remedies if:

- the holder previously has given written notice to the debenture trustee of a continuing event of default with respect to that series;
- the holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series have made written request, and such holders have offered
  reasonable indemnity to the debenture trustee to institute the proceeding as trustee; and
- the debenture trustee does not institute the proceeding, and does not receive from the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of that series (or at a meeting of holders of such series at which a quorum is present, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the debt securities of such series represented at such meeting) other conflicting directions within 60 days after the notice, request, and offer.

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These limitations do not apply to a suit instituted by a holder of debt securities if we default in the payment of the principal, premium, if any, or interest on, the debt securities.

We will periodically file statements with the applicable debenture trustee regarding our compliance with specified covenants in the applicable indenture.

#### Modification of Indentures; Waiver

We and the debenture trustee may change the applicable indenture without the consent of any holders with respect to specific matters, including:

- to evidence the succession of another corporation to us and the assumption by any such successor of our covenants in such indenture and in the debt securities issued thereunder;
- to add to our covenants or to surrender any right or power conferred on us pursuant to the indenture;
- to establish the form and terms of debt securities issued thereunder;
- to evidence and provide for a successor trustee under such indenture with respect to one or more series of debt securities issued thereunder or to provide for or facilitate
  the administration of the trusts under such indenture by more than one trustee;
- to cure any ambiguity, to correct or supplement any provision in the indenture that may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision of the indenture or to make
  any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising under such indenture; provided that no such action adversely affects the interests of the holders of any
  series of debt securities issued thereunder in any material respect;
- to add to, delete from, or revise the conditions, limitations, and restrictions on the authorized amount, terms, or purposes of issue, authentication, and delivery of
  securities under the indenture;
- · to add any additional events of default with respect to all or any series of debt securities;
- to supplement any of the provisions of the indenture as may be necessary to permit or facilitate the defeasance and discharge of any series of debt securities, provided
  that such action does not adversely affect the interests of any holder of an outstanding debt security of such series or any other security in any material respect;
- to make provisions with respect to the conversion or exchange rights of holders of debt securities of any series;
- to pledge to the trustee as security for the debt securities of any series any property or assets;
- to add guarantees in respect of the debt securities of one or more series;
- to change or eliminate any of the provisions of the indenture, provided that any such change or elimination becomes effective only when there is no security of any
  series outstanding created prior to the execution of such supplemental indenture that is entitled to the benefit of such provision;
- to provide for certificated securities in addition to or in place of global securities;
- to qualify such indenture under the Trust Indenture Act;
- with respect to the debt securities of any series, to conform the text of the indenture or the debt securities of such series to any provision of the description thereof in our offering memorandum or prospectus relating to the initial offering of such debt securities, to the extent that such provision, in our good faith judgment, was intended to be a verbatim recitation of a provision of the indenture or such securities; or
- to make any other change that does not adversely affect the rights of holders of any series of debt securities issued thereunder in any material respect.

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In addition, under the indentures, the rights of holders of a series of debt securities may be changed by us and the debenture trustee with the written consent of the holders of at least a majority in aggregate principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of each series (or, at a meeting of holders of such series at which a quorum is present, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the debt securities of such series represented at such meeting) that is affected. However, the debenture trustee and we may make the following changes only with the consent of each holder of any outstanding debt security affected:

- extending the fixed maturity of the series of debt securities;
- reducing the principal amount, reducing the rate of, or extending the time of payment of interest, or any premium payable upon the redemption of any debt securities;
- reducing the principal amount of discount securities payable upon acceleration of maturity;
- making the principal of or premium or interest on any debt security payable in currency other than that stated in the debt security;

- impair the right to institute suit for the enforcement of any payment on any debt security when due;
- if applicable, adversely affect the right of a holder to confer or exchange a debt security; or
- reducing the percentage of debt securities, the holders of which are required to consent to any amendment or waiver.

Except for certain specified provisions, the holders of at least a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of any series (or, at a meeting of holders of such series at which a quorum is present, the holders of a majority in principal amount of the debt securities of such series represented at such meeting) may on behalf of the holders of all debt securities of that series waive our compliance with provisions of the indenture. The holders of a majority in principal amount of the outstanding debt securities of the unstanding debt securities of any series may, on behalf of the holders of all the debt securities of such series, waive any past default under the indenture with respect to that series and its consequences, except a default in the payment of the principal of, premium, or any interest on any debt security of that series or in respect of a covenant or provision, which cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the holder of each outstanding debt security of the series affected; *provided, however*, that the holders of any series may rescind an acceleration and its consequences, including any related payment default that resulted from the acceleration.

## Discharge, Defeasance, and Covenant Defeasance

We can discharge or decrease our obligations under the indenture as stated below.

We may discharge obligations to holders of any series of debt securities that have not already been delivered to the trustee for cancellation and that have either become due and payable or are by their terms to become due and payable, or are scheduled for redemption, within one year. We may effect a discharge by irrevocably depositing with the trustee cash or government obligations, as trust funds, in an amount certified to be enough to pay, when due, whether at maturity, upon redemption or otherwise, the principal of, and any premium and interest on, the debt securities and any mandatory sinking fund payments.

Unless otherwise provided in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, we may also discharge any and all of our obligations to holders of any series of debt securities at any time, which we refer to as defeasance. We may also be released from the obligations imposed by any covenants of any outstanding series of debt securities and provisions of the indenture, and we may omit to comply with those covenants without creating an event of default under the trust declaration, which we refer to as covenant defeasance. We may effect defeasance and covenant defeasance only if, among other things:

• we irrevocably deposit with the trustee cash or government obligations denominated in the currency of the debt securities, as trust funds, in an amount certified to be enough to pay at maturity, or upon redemption, the principal (including any mandatory sinking fund payments) of, and any premium and interest on, all outstanding debt securities of the series; and

we deliver to the trustee an opinion of counsel from a nationally recognized law firm to the effect that the holders of the series of debt securities will not recognize
income, gain or loss for U.S. federal income tax purposes as a result of the defeasance or covenant defeasance and that defeasance or covenant defeasance will not
otherwise alter the holders' U.S. federal income tax treatment of principal, and any premium and interest payments on, the series of debt securities.

In the case of a defeasance by us, the opinion we deliver must be based on a ruling of the Internal Revenue Service issued, or a change in U.S. federal income tax law occurring, after the date of the indenture, since such a result would not occur under the U.S. federal income tax laws in effect on that date.

Although we may discharge or decrease our obligations under the indenture as described in the two preceding paragraphs, we may not avoid, among other things, our duty to register the transfer or exchange of any series of debt securities, to replace any temporary, mutilated, destroyed, lost, or stolen series of debt securities or to maintain an office or agency in respect of any series of debt securities.

## **Registered Global Securities and Book Entry System**

The debt securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in book-entry form and will be represented by one or more fully registered global securities. We will deposit any registered global securities with a depositary or with a nominee for a depositary identified in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials and registered in the name of such depositary or nominee. In such case, we will issue one or more registered global securities denominated in an amount equal to the aggregate principal amount of all of the debt securities of the series to be issued and represented by such registered global security or securities. This means that we will not issue certificates to each holder.

Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for debt securities in definitive registered form, a registered global security may not be transferred except as a whole:

- by the depositary for the registered global security to its nominee;
- by a nominee of the depositary to the depositary or another nominee of the depositary; or
- by the depositary or its nominee to a successor of the depositary or a nominee of the successor.

The prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, relating to a series of debt securities will describe the specific terms of the depositary arrangement involving any portion of the series represented by a registered global security. We anticipate that the following provisions will apply to all depositary arrangements for debt securities:

- ownership of beneficial interests in a registered global security will be limited to persons that have accounts with the depositary for such registered global security, these persons being referred to as "participants," or persons that may hold interests through participants;
- upon the issuance of a registered global security, the depositary for the registered global security will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the
  participants' accounts with the respective principal amounts of the debt securities represented by the registered global security beneficially owned by the participants;
- · any dealers, underwriters, or agents participating in the distribution of the debt securities will designate the accounts to be credited; and
- ownership of beneficial interest in the registered global security will be shown on, and the transfer of the ownership interest will be effected only through, records
  maintained by the depositary for the registered global security for interests of participants, and on the records of participants for interests of persons holding through
  participants.

The laws of some states may require that specified purchasers of securities take physical delivery of the securities in definitive form. These laws may limit the ability of those persons to own, transfer, or pledge beneficial interests in registered global securities.

So long as the depositary for a registered global security, or its nominee, is the registered owner of the registered global security, the depositary or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the debt securities represented by the registered global security for all purposes under the indenture. Except as stated below, owners of beneficial interests in a registered global security:

- will not be entitled to have the debt securities represented by a registered global security registered in their names;
- will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of the debt securities in the definitive form; and
- will not be considered the owners or holders of the debt securities under the relevant indenture.

Accordingly, each person owning a beneficial interest in a registered global security must rely on the procedures of the depositary for the registered global security and, if the person is not a participant, on the procedures of a participant through which the person owns its interest, to exercise any rights of a holder under the indenture.

We understand that, under existing industry practices, if we request any action of holders or if an owner of a beneficial interest in a registered global security desires to give or take any action that a holder is entitled to give or take under the indenture, the depositary for the registered global security would authorize the participants holding the relevant beneficial interests to give or take the action, and the participants would authorize beneficial owners owning through the participants to give or take the action or would otherwise act upon the instructions of beneficial owners holding through them.

We will make payments of principal and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on debt securities represented by a registered global security registered in the name of a depositary or its nominee to the depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owners of the registered global security. Neither we nor the trustee, or any other agent of ours or the trustee will be responsible or liable for any aspect of the records relating to, or payments made on account of, beneficial ownership interests in the registered global security or for maintaining, supervising, or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

We expect that the depositary for any debt securities represented by a registered global security, upon receipt of any payments of principal and premium, if any, and interest, if any, in respect of the registered global security, will immediately credit participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the registered global security as shown on the records of the depositary. We also expect that standing customer instructions and customary practices will govern payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in the registered global security held through the participants, as is now the case with the securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in "street name." We also expect that any of these payments will be the responsibility of the participants.

If the depositary for any debt securities represented by a registered global security is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as depositary or stops being a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, we will appoint an eligible successor depositary. If we fail to appoint an eligible successor depositary within 90 days, we will issue the debt securities in definitive form in exchange for the registered global security. In addition, we may at any time and in our sole discretion decide not to have any of the debt securities of a series represented by one or more registered global securities. In that event, we will issue debt securities of the series in a definitive form in exchange for all of the registered global securities. The trustee will register any debt securities issued in definitive form in exchange for a registered global security in the name or names as the depositary, based upon instructions from its participants, shall instruct the trustee.

#### Information Concerning the Debenture Trustee

The debenture trustee, other than during the occurrence and continuance of an event of default under the applicable indenture, undertakes to perform only those duties as are specifically set forth in the applicable indenture. Upon an event of default under an indenture, the debenture trustee under such indenture must use the same degree of care as a prudent person would exercise or use in the conduct of his or her own affairs. Subject to this provision, the debenture trustee is under no obligation to exercise any of the powers given it by the indentures at the request of any holder of debt securities unless it is offered reasonable security and indemnity against the costs, expenses, and liabilities that it might incur.

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## Payment and Paying Agents

Unless we other indicate in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, we will make payment of the interest on any debt securities on any interest payment date to the person in whose name the debt securities, or one or more predecessor securities, are registered at the close of business on the regular record date for the interest.

We will pay principal of and any premium and interest on the debt securities of a particular series at the office of the paying agents designated by us, except that unless we otherwise indicate in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, we will make interest payments by check which we will mail to the holder. Unless we otherwise indicate in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, we will designate the corporate trust office of the debenture trustee as our sole paying agent for payments with respect to debt securities of each series. We will name in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, any other paying agents that we initially designate for the debt securities of a particular series. We will maintain a paying agent in each place of payment for the debt securities of a particular series.

All money we pay to a paying agent or the debenture trustee for the payment of the principal of or any premium or interest on any debt securities which remains unclaimed at the end of two years after such principal, premium, or interest has become due and payable will be repaid to us, and the holder of the security thereafter may look only to us for payment thereof.

## **Governing Law**

The indentures and the debt securities will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of New York, except to the extent that the Trust Indenture Act is applicable.

#### Subordination of Subordinated Debt Securities

Our obligations pursuant to any subordinated debt securities will be unsecured and will be subordinate and junior in priority of payment to certain of our other indebtedness to the extent described in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable.

#### **Outstanding Debt Securities**

As of September 30, 2022, we had the following debt securities outstanding:

On July 10, 2020, the Company executed a promissory note (the "Spriggs Promissory Note") in favor of Spriggs Investments, LLC ("Spriggs Investments"), a limited liability company whose sole member is Rodney Spriggs, the President and Chief Executive Officer of Vintage Stock, Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company, that memorializes a loan by Spriggs Investments to the Company in the initial principal amount of \$2.0 million (the "Spriggs Loan"). The Spriggs Loan originally matured on July 10, 2022; however, the maturity date was extended to July 10, 2023, pursuant to unanimous consent of the Board of Directors. The Spriggs Promissory Note bears simple interest at a rate of 10.0% per annum. As of September 30, 2022, the balance due was \$2.0 million.

## **DESCRIPTION OF WARRANTS**

#### General

We may issue warrants to purchase debt securities, shares of our Common Stock, shares of our Preferred Stock, or any combination of these securities. We may issue the warrants independently or together with any underlying securities, and the warrants may be attached or separate from the underlying securities. We may also issue a series of warrants under a separate warrant agreement to be entered into between a warrant agent and us. The warrant agent will act solely as our agent in connection with the warrants of such series and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency for or with holders or beneficial owners of warrants.

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The following description is a summary of selected provisions relating to the warrants that we may issue. The summary is not complete. When warrants are offered in the future, a prospectus supplement, information, or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, will explain the particular terms of those securities and the extent to which these general provisions may apply. The specific terms of the warrants as described in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials will supplement and, if applicable, may modify or replace the general terms described in this section.

This summary and any description of warrants in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials is subject to and is qualified in its entirety by reference to all the provisions of any specific warrant document or agreement, which we will file with the SEC for incorporation by reference into this prospectus. See "Available Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference" for information on how to obtain a copy of a warrant document when it is filed.

When we refer to a series of warrants, we mean all warrants issued as part of the same series under the applicable warrant agreement.

#### Terms

The applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials may describe the terms of any warrants that we may offer, including but not limited to the following:

- the title of the warrants;
- the total number of warrants;
- the price or prices at which the warrants will be issued;
- the currency or currencies that investors may use to pay for the warrants;
- the date on which the right to exercise the warrants will commence and the date on which the right will expire;
- whether the warrants will be issued in registered form or bearer form;
- information with respect to book-entry procedures, if any;
- if applicable, the minimum or maximum amount of warrants that may be exercised at any one time;
- if applicable, the designation and terms of the underlying securities with which the warrants are issued and the number of warrants issued with each underlying security;
- · if applicable, the date on and after which the warrants and the related underlying securities will be separately transferable;
- if applicable, a discussion of material United States federal income tax considerations;
- if applicable, the terms of redemption of the warrants;
- the identity of the warrant agent, if any;
- · the procedures and conditions relating to the exercise of the warrants; and
- any other terms of the warrants, including terms, procedures, and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of the warrants.

## Warrant Agreements

We may issue the warrants in one or more series under one or more warrant agreements, each to be entered into between a bank, trust company, or other financial institution as warrant agent, and us. We may add, replace, or terminate warrant agents from time to time. We may also choose to act as our own warrant agent or may choose one of our subsidiaries to do so.

The warrant agent under a warrant agreement will act solely as our agent in connection with the warrants issued under that agreement. The warrant agent will not assume any

obligation or relationship of agency or trust for or with any holders of those warrants. Any holder of warrants may, without the consent of any other person, enforce by appropriate legal action, on its own behalf, its right to exercise those warrants in accordance with their terms. Until the warrant is properly exercised, no holder of any warrant will be entitled to any rights of a holder of the warrant property purchasable upon exercise of the warrant.

#### Form, Exchange, and Transfer

We may issue the warrants in registered form or bearer form. Warrants issued in registered form, *i.e.*, book-entry form, will be represented by a global security registered in the name of a depository, which will be the holder of all the warrants represented by the global security. Those investors who own beneficial interests in a global warrant will do so through participants in the depository's system, and the rights of these indirect owners will be governed solely by the applicable procedures of the depository and its participants. In addition, we may issue warrants in non-global form, *i.e.*, bearer form. If any warrants are issued in non-global form, warrant certificates may be exchanged for new warrant certificates of different denominations, and holders may exchange, transfer, or exercise their warrants at the warrant agent's office or any other office indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials.

Prior to the exercise of their warrants, holders of warrants exercisable for debt securities will not have any of the rights of holders of the debt securities purchasable upon such exercise and will not be entitled to payments of principal (or premium, if any) or interest, if any, on the debt securities purchasable upon such exercise. Prior to the exercise of their warrants, holders of warrants exercisable for shares of Common Stock or shares of Preferred Stock will not have any rights of holders of the shares of Common Stock or the shares of Preferred Stock purchasable upon such exercise and will not be entitled to dividend payments, if any, or voting rights of the shares of Common Stock or the shares of Preferred Stock purchasable upon such exercise.

#### **Exercise of Warrants**

A warrant will entitle the holder to purchase for cash an amount of securities at an exercise price that will be stated in, or that will be determinable as described in, the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials. Warrants may be exercised at any time from the initial exercise date and time through and including the close of business on the expiration date set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing materials. After the close of business on the expiration date, unexercised warrants will become void. Warrants may be redeemed as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials.

Warrants may be exercised as set forth in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials. Upon receipt of payment and the warrant certificate properly completed and duly executed at the corporate trust office of the warrant agent or any other office indicated in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other officing materials, as applicable, we will forward, as soon as practicable, the securities purchasable upon such exercise. If less than all of the warrants represented by such warrant certificate are exercised, a new warrant certificate will be issued for the remaining warrants.

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#### **DESCRIPTION OF RIGHTS**

We may issue rights to purchase our debt securities, shares of our Common Stock, or shares of our Preferred Stock. These rights may be issued independently or together with any other security offered hereby and may or may not be transferable by the stockholder receiving the rights in such offering. In connection with any offering of such rights, we may enter into a standby arrangement with one or more underwriters or other purchasers pursuant to which the underwriters or other purchasers may be required to purchase any securities remaining unsubscribed for after such offering.

Each series of rights will be issued under a separate rights agreement that we will enter with a bank or trust company, as rights agent, all of which will be set forth in the relevant offering material. The rights agent will act solely as our agent in connection with the certificates relating to the rights and will not assume any obligation or relationship of agency or trust with any holders of rights certificates or beneficial owners of rights.

The following description is a summary of selected provisions relating to rights that we may offer. The summary is not complete. When rights are offered in the future, a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, will explain the particular terms of those securities and the extent to which these general provisions may apply. The specific terms of the rights as described in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing materials, as applicable, will supplement and, if applicable, may modify or replace the general terms described in this section.

This summary and any description of rights in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials is subject to and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the rights agreement and the rights certificates. We will file each of these documents, as applicable, with the SEC and incorporate them by reference as an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this prospectus is a part on or before the time we issue a series of rights. See "Available Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Documents by Reference" above for information on how to obtain a copy of a document when it is filed.

The applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials may describe:

- in the case of a distribution of rights to our stockholders, the date of determining the stockholders entitled to the rights distribution;
- in the case of a distribution of rights to our stockholders, the number of rights issued or to be issued to each stockholder;
- the exercise price payable for the underlying debt securities, shares of our Common Stock or shares of our Preferred Stock upon the exercise of the rights;
- the number and terms of the underlying debt securities, shares of our Common Stock or shares of our Preferred Stock that may be purchased per each right;
- the extent to which the rights are transferable;
- the date on which the holder's ability to exercise the rights shall commence, and the date on which the rights shall expire;
- the extent to which the rights may include an over-subscription privilege with respect to unsubscribed securities;
- · if applicable, the material terms of any standby underwriting or purchase arrangement entered into by us in connection with the offering of such rights; and
- any other terms of the rights, including, but not limited to, the terms, procedures, conditions, and limitations relating to the exchange and exercise of the rights.

The provisions described in this section, as well as those described under "-Description of Debt Securities" and "-Description of Capital Stock" above, will apply, as applicable, to any rights we offer.

## **DESCRIPTION OF UNITS**

#### General

We may issue units composed of (i) our debt securities, (ii) shares of our Common Stock, (iii) shares of our Preferred Stock, (iv) warrants to purchase our debt securities, shares of our Common Stock, or shares of our Preferred Stock or any combination of these securities, and (v) rights to purchase our debt securities, shares of our Common Stock, or shares of our Preferred Stock in any combination. We will issue each unit so that the holder of the unit is also the holder of each security included in the unit. As a result, the holder of a unit will have the rights and obligations of a holder of each included security. The unit agreement under which a unit is issued may provide that the securities included in the unit may not be held or transferred separately, at any time or at any time before a specified date.

The following description is a summary of selected provisions relating to units that we may offer. The summary is not complete. When units are offered in the future, a prospectus supplement, information, or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, will explain the particular terms of those securities and the extent to which these general provisions may apply. The specific terms of the units as described in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing materials, as applicable, will supplement and, if applicable, may modify or replace the general terms described in this section.

This summary and any description of units in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials is subject to and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the unit agreement, collateral arrangements, and depositary arrangements, if applicable. We will file these documents with the SEC for incorporation by reference into this prospectus, as applicable. See "Available Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference" for information on how to obtain a copy of a document when it is filed.

The applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials may describe:

- the designation and terms of the units and of the securities comprising the units, including whether and under what circumstances those securities may be held or transferred separately;
- any provisions for the issuance, payment, settlement, transfer, or exchange of the units or of the securities composing the units;
- whether the units will be issued in fully registered or global form; and
- any other terms of the units.

The applicable provisions described in this section, as well as those described under "Description of Debt Securities," "Description of Capital Stock" and "Description of Warrants," will apply to each unit and to each security included in each unit, respectively.

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#### USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, we intend to use the net proceeds from the sale of securities for general corporate purposes, which may include capital expenditures, working capital and general and administrative expenses.

## PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

We may sell the securities through underwriters or dealers, through agents, directly to one or more purchasers, through a rights offering, or otherwise. We will describe the terms of the offering of the securities in a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, including:

- the name or names of any underwriters, if any;
- the purchase price of the securities and the proceeds we will receive from the sale;
- · any underwriting discounts and other items constituting underwriters' compensation;
- any public offering price;
- · any discounts or concessions allowed or reallowed or paid to dealers; and
- any securities exchange or market on which the securities may be listed.

Only underwriters we name in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, are underwriters of the securities offered thereby.

The distribution of securities may be effected, from time to time, in one or more transactions, including:

- block transactions (which may involve crosses) and transactions on The Nasdaq Capital Market or any other organized market on which the securities may be traded;
- purchases by a broker-dealer as principal and resale by the broker-dealer for its own account pursuant to a prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by
  reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable;
- ordinary brokerage transactions and transactions in which a broker-dealer solicits purchasers;
- · sales "at the market" to or through a market maker or into an existing trading market, on an exchange or otherwise; and
- sales in other ways not involving market makers or established trading markets, including direct sales to purchasers.

The securities may be sold at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, or at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices relating to the prevailing market prices, or at negotiated prices. The consideration may be cash or another form negotiated by the parties. Agents, underwriters, or broker-dealers may be paid compensation for offering and selling the securities. That compensation may be in the form of discounts, concessions, or commissions to be received from us or from the purchasers of the securities. Dealers and agents participating in the distribution of the securities may be deemed to be underwriters and compensation received by them on resale of the securities may be deemed to be underwriting discounts and commissions under the Securities Act. If such dealers or agents were deemed to be underwriters, they may be subject to statutory liabilities under the Securities Act.

We may also make direct sales through subscription rights distributed to our existing stockholders on a pro rata basis, which may or may not be transferable. In any distribution of subscription rights to our stockholders, if all of the underlying securities are not subscribed for, we may then sell the unsubscribed securities directly to third parties or may engage the services of one or more underwriters, dealers, or agents, including standby underwriters, to sell the unsubscribed securities to third parties.

Some or all of the securities that we offer though this prospectus may be new issues of securities with no established trading market. Any underwriters to whom we sell our securities for public offering and sale may make a market in those securities, but they will not be obligated to do so and they may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. Accordingly, we cannot assure you of the liquidity of, or continued trading markets for, any securities that we offer.

Agents may, from time to time, solicit offers to purchase the securities. If required, we will name in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus or other offering materials, as applicable, any agent involved in the offer or sale of the securities and set forth any compensation payable to the agent. Unless otherwise indicated, any agent will be acting on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment. Any agent selling the securities covered by this prospectus may be deemed to be an underwriter, as that term is defined in the Securities.

If underwriters are used in an offering, securities will be acquired by the underwriters for their own account and may be resold, from time to time, in one or more transactions, including negotiated transactions, at a fixed public offering price, or at varying prices determined at the time of sale, or under delayed delivery contracts or other contractual commitments. Securities may be offered to the public either through underwriting syndicates represented by one or more managing underwriters or directly by one or more firms acting as underwriters. If an underwriter or underwriters are used in the sale of securities, an underwriting agreement will be executed with the underwriter or underwriters at the time an agreement for the sale is reached. The applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering of securities, and will set forth the terms of the transactions, including compensation of the underwriters and dealers and the public offering price, if applicable. The prospectus, and will set forth the terms of the transactions, including compensation of the underwriters and dealers and the public offering price, if applicable. The used by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials will be used by the underwriters to resell the securities.

If a dealer is used in the sale of the securities, we or an underwriter will sell the securities to the dealer, as principal. The dealer may then resell the securities to the public at varying prices to be determined by the dealer at the time of resale. To the extent required, we will set forth in the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, the name of the dealer and the terms of the transactions.

We may directly solicit offers to purchase the securities and may make sales of securities directly to institutional investors or others. These persons may be deemed to be underwriters within the meaning of the Securities Act with respect to any resale of the securities. To the extent required, the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, will describe the terms of any such sales, including the terms of any bidding or auction process, if used.

Agents, underwriters, and dealers may be entitled under agreements that may be entered into with us to indemnification against specified liabilities, including liabilities incurred under the Securities Act, or to contribution to payments they may be required to make in respect of such liabilities. If required, the prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials, as applicable, will describe the terms and conditions of such indemnification or contribution. Some of the agents, underwriters or dealers, or their affiliates may be customers of, engage in transactions with or perform services for us, our subsidiaries, or affiliates in the ordinary course of business.

Under the securities laws of some states, the securities offered by this prospectus may be sold in those states only through registered or licensed brokers or dealers.

Any person participating in the distribution of Common Stock registered under the Registration Statement that includes this prospectus will be subject to applicable provisions of the Exchange Act, and the applicable SEC rules and regulations, including, among others, Regulation M, which may limit the timing of purchases and sales of any of our Common Stock by any such person. Furthermore, Regulation M may restrict the ability of any person engaged in the distribution of our Common Stock to engage in market-making activities with respect to our Common Stock. These restrictions may affect the marketability of our Common Stock and the ability of any person or entity to engage in market-making activities with respect to our Common Stock.

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Certain persons participating in an offering may engage in over-allotment, stabilizing transactions, short-covering transactions, and penalty bids in accordance with Regulation M under the Exchange Act that stabilize, maintain, or otherwise affect the price of the offered securities. If any such activities will occur, they will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement, information or document incorporated by reference, related free writing prospectus, or other offering materials.

To the extent required, this prospectus may be amended or supplemented from time to time to describe a specific plan of distribution.

All securities we offer other than shares of Common Stock will be new issues of securities with no established trading market. Any underwriters may make a market in these securities but will not be obligated to do so and may discontinue any market making at any time without notice. We cannot guarantee the liquidity of the trading markets for any securities.

## LEGAL MATTERS

Unless otherwise indicated in the applicable prospectus supplement, Clark Hill PLC, Los Angeles, California, will provide opinions regarding the validity of any securities offered by this prospectus. Clark Hill PLC may also provide opinions regarding certain other matters. The legality of the securities for any underwriters, dealers, or agents will be passed upon by counsel as may be specified in the applicable prospectus supplement.

## EXPERTS

The financial statements of the Registrant as of and for the years ended September 30, 2022 and 2021, incorporated by reference in this prospectus, have been audited by

Frazier & Deeter, LLC, an independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their reports incorporated by reference herein, and have been incorporated in reliance upon the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

# PART II. INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN THE PROSPECTUS

# ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION

The following table sets forth all expenses to be paid by the Registrant in connection with this offering.

Fee	Total
SEC registration fee	\$ 5,510
FINRA filing fee	*
Nasdaq listing fee	*
Printing	*
Legal fees and expenses	22,500
Accounting fees and expenses	*
Transfer agent and registrar fees	*
Miscellaneous	*
Total	\$ *

\* Fees and expenses (other than the SEC registration fee to be paid upon filing of this registration statement) will depend on the securities offered, the number of issuances and the nature of the offerings, and cannot be estimated at this time.

## ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") 78.138(7) provides that, subject to limited statutory exceptions and unless the Articles of Incorporation or an amendment thereto (in each case filed on or after October 1, 2003) provide for greater individual liability, a director or officer is not individually liable to a corporation or its stockholders or creditors for any damages as a result of any act or failure to act in his or her capacity as a director or officer unless determined that the presumption that directors and officers are presumed to act in good faith, on an informed basis and with a view to the interest of the corporation has been rebutted and it is proven that: (i) the act or failure to act constituted a breach of his or her fiduciary duties as a director or officer and (ii) the breach of those duties involved intentional misconduct, fraud, or a knowing violation of law.

NRS 78.7502(1) provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or investigative (other than an action by or in the right of the corporation), by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, against expenses, including attorneys' fees, judgments, fines, and amounts paid in settlement actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding if the person (i) is not liable pursuant to NRS 78.138 or (ii) acted in good faith and in a manner which he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation, and, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, had no reasonable cause to believe the conduct was unlawful. NRS 78.7502(2) provides that a corporation may indemnify any person who was or is a party or is threatened to be made a party to any threatened, pending, or completed action or suit by or in the right of the corporation to procure a judgment in its favor by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise against expenses, including amounts paid in settlement and attorneys' fees actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the defense or settlement of the action or suit if the person (a) is not liable pursuant to NRS 78.138 or (b) acted in good faith and in a manner which he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation. Any discretionary indemnification pursuant to NRS 78.7502, unless ordered by a court or advanced pursuant to NRS 78.751(2), may be made by the corporation only as authorized in each specific case upon a determination that the indemnification of a director, officer, employee, or agent of a corporation is proper under the circumstances. Such determination must be made by (x) the stockholders, (y) the board of directors, by majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the action, suit, or proceeding, or (z) independent legal counsel, in a written opinion, if (1) a majority vote of a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the action, suit, or proceeding so orders or (2) a quorum consisting of directors who were not parties to the action, suit, or proceeding cannot be obtained.

The termination of any action, suit, or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or upon a plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent, does not, of itself, create a presumption that the person is liable pursuant to NRS 78.138 or did not act in good faith and in a manner that he or she reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of the corporation or that, with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, he or she had reasonable cause to believe that the conduct was unlawful.

NRS 78.7502(2)(b) provides that indemnification may not be made for any claim, issue, or matter as to which such a person has been adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction, after exhaustion of all appeals therefrom, to be liable to the corporation or for amounts paid in settlement to the corporation, unless and only to the extent that the court in which the action or suit was brought or other court of competent jurisdiction determines upon application that in view of all the circumstances of the case, the person is fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnity for such expenses as the court deems proper.

NRS 78.751(1), requiring mandatory indemnification of officers, directors, employees, and agents, provides that a corporation shall indemnify any person in such a role to the extent that the person is successful on the merits or otherwise in defense of: (a) any threatened, pending or completed action, suit, or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, including, without limitation, an action by or in the right of the corporation, by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director, officer, employee, or agent of the corporation, or is or was serving at the request of the corporation as a director, officer, employee, or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise or (b) any claim, issue, or matter therein, against expenses actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with defending the action, including, without limitation, attorney's fees.

NRS 78.751(2) provides that, unless otherwise restricted by the corporation's articles of incorporation or bylaws, or an agreement made by the corporation, the corporation may pay expenses of officers and directors incurred in defending a civil or criminal action, suit, or proceeding as they are incurred and in advance of the final disposition of the action, suit, or proceeding, upon receipt of an undertaking by or on behalf of the director or officer to repay the amount if it is ultimately determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that the director or officer was not entitled to be indemnified by the corporation. The articles of incorporation, the bylaws, or an agreement made by the corporation may require the corporation to pay such expenses upon receipt of such an undertaking.

Under the NRS, the indemnification pursuant to NRS 78.7502 and advancement of expenses authorized in or ordered by a court pursuant to NRS 78.751:

- Does not exclude any other rights to which a person seeking indemnification or advancement of expenses may be entitled under the articles of incorporation or any bylaw, agreement, vote of stockholders or disinterested directors or otherwise, for either an action in the person's official capacity or an action in another capacity while holding office, except that indemnification, unless ordered by a court pursuant to NRS 78.7502 or for the advancement of expenses made pursuant to NRS 78.751(2), may not be made to or on behalf of any director or officer finally adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction, after exhaustion of any appeals taken therefrom, to be liable for intentional misconduct, fraud or a knowing violation of the law, and such misconduct, fraud or violation was material to the cause of action; and
- · Continues for a person who has ceased to be a director, officer, employee, or agent and inures to the benefit of the heirs, executors, and administrators of such a person.

Unless the articles of incorporation, the bylaws, or an agreement made by a corporation provide otherwise, if a person is entitled to indemnification or the advancement of expenses from the corporation and any other person, the corporation is the primary obligor with respect to such indemnification or advancement. A right to indemnification or to advancement of expenses arising under a provision of the articles of incorporation or any bylaw is not eliminated or impaired by an amendment to such provision after the occurrence of the act or omission that is the subject of the civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit, or proceeding for which indemnification or advancement of expenses is sought, unless the provision in effect at the time of such act or omission explicitly authorizes such elimination or impairment after such act or omission has occurred.

The Company's Articles of Incorporation provide that, to the fullest extent permitted under the NRS (including, without limitation, to the fullest extent permitted under NRS 78.7502 and 78.751(3)) and other applicable law, the Company shall indemnify its directors and officers in their respective capacities as such. The Company's Articles of Incorporation further provide that the liability of its directors and officers shall be eliminated or limited to the fullest extent permitted by the NRS.

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The Registrant intends to maintain insurance on behalf of the Registrant and any person who is or was a director or officer against any loss arising from any claim asserted against him or her and incurred by him or her in that capacity, subject to certain exclusions and limits of the amount of coverage.

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## ITEM 16. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

Exhibits

Exhibit N	No. Description
1.1*	Form of Underwriting Agreement with respect to Debt Securities
1.2*	Form of Underwriting Agreement with respect to Common Stock
1.3*	Form of Underwriting Agreement with respect to Preferred Stock
1.4*	Form of Underwriting Agreement with respect to Warrants
1.5*	Form of Underwriting Agreement with respect to Units
3.1	Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC
	on August 15, 2007)
3.2	Certificate of Change to Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the
	SEC on September 7, 2010)
3.3	Certificate of Correction to Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the
	SEC on March 11, 2013)
3.4	Certificate of Change to Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the
	quarterly period ended December 31, 2013 filed with the SEC on February 14, 2014)
3.5	Articles of Merger (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.4 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the SEC on October 8, 2015)
3.6	Certificate of Change to Articles of Incorporation (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.5 of the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed with the
	SEC on November 25, 2016)
<u>3.7</u>	Certificate of for Series B Convertible Preferred Stock filed with Secretary of State for the State of Nevada on December 23, 2016, and effective as of
	December 27, 2016 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1.6 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended September 30, 2016 filed
	with the SEC on December 29, 2016)
3.8	Bylaws (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.8 of the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2018 filed with the SEC
	on August 14, 2018)
4.1^	Form of Indenture with respect to Debt Securities
4.2	Form of Specimen Common Stock Certificate (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year
	ended September 30, 2019, filed with the SEC on February 10, 2020)
4.3*	Form of Specimen Preferred Stock Certificate
4.4*	Form of Certificate of Designation of Preferred Stock
4.5*	Form of Warrant Agreement (including Warrant Certificate) with respect to Warrants to purchase Debt Securities
4.6*	Form of Warrant Agreement (including Warrant Certificate) with respect to Warrants to purchase Common Stock
4.7*	Form of Warrant Agreement (including Warrant Certificate) with respect to Warrants to purchase Preferred Stock
4.8*	Form of Warrant Agreement (including Warrant Certificate) with respect to Warrants to purchase Units
4.9*	Form of Unit Agreement (including Unit Certificate)
4.10*	Form of Rights Agreement (including Form of Rights Certificate)
<u>5.1^</u>	Opinion of Clark Hill PLC
23.1^	Consent of Clark Hill PLC (included in Exhibit 5.1)
23.2^	Consent of Frazier & Deeter, LLC
<u>24.1^</u>	Powers of Attorney (included on applicable signature page to this registration statement)
25.1**	Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility under Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Debt Trustee (to be filed prior to any issuance of Senior Debt Securities)
25.2**	Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility under Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Debt Trustee (to be filed prior to any issuance of Subordinated Debt Securities)
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- To be filed as an amendment or as an exhibit to a document filed under the Exchange Act and incorporated by reference into this registration statement.
- \*\* To be filed in accordance with the requirements of Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.

## **ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS**

The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

- (1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:
  - (i) to include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;
  - (ii) to reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement;
  - to include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

*provided, however*, that paragraphs (1)(i), (1)(ii) and (1)(iii) above do not apply if the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the Registrant pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement, or is contained in a form of prospectus filed pursuant to Rule 424(b) that is part of the registration statement.

- (2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.
- (4) That, for the purpose of determining liability under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser:
  - Each prospectus filed by the Registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3) shall be deemed to be part of the registration statement as of the date the filed prospectus was deemed part of and included in the registration statement; and
  - (ii) Each prospectus required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2), (b)(5) or (b)(7) as part of a registration statement in reliance on Rule 430B relating to an offering made pursuant to Rule 415(a)(1)(i), (vii) or (x) for the purpose of providing the information required by Section 10(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 shall be deemed to be part of and included in the registration statement as of the earlier of the date such form of prospectus is first used after effectiveness or the date of the first contract of sale of securities in the offering described in the prospectus. As provided in Rule 430B, for liability purposes of the issuer and any person that is at that date an underwriter, such date shall be deemed to be a new effective date of the registration statement relating to the securities in the registration statement to which the prospectus relates, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof. *Provided, however*, that no statement made in a registration statement or prospectus that is part of the registration statement will, as to a purchaser with a time of contract of sale prior to such effective date, supersed or modify any statement that was made in the registration statement or prospectus that was part of the registration statement or made in any such document immediately prior to such effective date.

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- (5) That, for the purpose of determining liability of the Registrant under the Securities Act of 1933 to any purchaser in the initial distribution of the securities, the undersigned Registrant undertakes that in a primary offering of securities of the undersigned Registrant pursuant to this registration statement, regardless of the underwriting method used to sell the securities to the purchaser, if the securities are offered or sold to such purchaser by means of any of the following communications, the undersigned Registrant will be a seller to the purchaser and will be considered to offer or sell such securities to such purchaser:
  - (i) Any preliminary prospectus or prospectus of the undersigned Registrant relating to the offering required to be filed pursuant to Rule 424;
  - Any free writing prospectus relating to the offering prepared by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant or used or referred to by the undersigned Registrant;
  - (iii) The portion of any other free writing prospectus relating to the offering containing material information about the undersigned Registrant or its securities provided by or on behalf of the undersigned Registrant; and
  - (iv) Any other communication that is an offer in the offering made by the undersigned Registrant to the purchaser.
- (6) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.
- (7) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, (i) the information omitted from the form of prospectus filed as part of the registration statement in reliance upon Rule 430A and contained in the form of prospectus filed by the registrant pursuant to Rule 424(b)(1) or (4) or 497(h) under the Securities Act shall be deemed to be a part of the registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.
- (8) To file an application for the purpose of determining the eligibility of the trustee to act under subsection (a) of Section 310 of the Trust Indenture Act in accordance with the rules and regulations prescribed by the Commission under Section 305(b)(2) of the Trust Indenture Act.

(9) That, insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Securities Act of 1933 and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Las Vegas, State of Nevada, on this 24th day of March, 2023.

## LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED

/s/ Jon Isaac	
Jon Isaac	
President and (	Thief Executive Officer

Each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Jon Isaac and David Verret, and each of them, as his true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent with full power of substitution, for him in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments to this registration statement (including post-effective amendments or any abbreviated registration statement and any amendments thereto filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) increasing the number of securities for which registration is sought), and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully for all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent, or his substitute, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

Signature	Title	Date
/s/ Jon Isaac		
Jon Isaac	President and Chief Executive Officer and Director (Principal Executive Officer)	March 24, 2023
/s/ David Verret		
David Verret	Chief Financial Officer (Principal Accounting and Financial Officer)	March 24, 2023
/s/ Tony Isaac		
Tony Isaac	Director	March 24, 2023
/s/ Richard D. Butler, Jr.		
Richard D. Butler, Jr.	Director	March 24, 2023
/s/ Dennis Gao		
Dennis Gao	Director	March 24, 2023
/s/ Tyler Sickmeyer		
Tyler Sickmeyer	Director	March 24, 2023
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# LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED

[INSERT NAME OF TRUSTEE] ,

TRUSTEE

INDENTURE

DATED AS OF \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

Provisions of Trust Indenture Act of 1939 and Indenture to be dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, between LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED and [INSERT NAME OF TRUSTEE] , Trustee:

Cross references between the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 and the Indenture dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_ between LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED and [INSERT NAME OF TRUSTEE], Trustee:

SECTION OF THE ACT	SECTION OF INDENTURE
310(a)(1) and (2)	6.8
310(a)(3) and (4)	Inapplicable
310(a)(5)	6.8
310(b)	6.9(a), (b) and (d)
310(b)(1)	6.13
310(c)	Inapplicable
311(a)	6.12
311(b)	6.12
311(c)	Inapplicable
312(a)	4.1 and 4.2
312(b)	4.2
312(c)	4.2
313(a)	4.3
313(b)(1)	Inapplicable
313(b)(2)	4.3
313(c)	4.3
313(d)	4.3
314(a)	4.4
314(b)	Inapplicable
314(c)(1) and (2)	11.5
314(c)(3)	Inapplicable
314(d)	Inapplicable
314(e)	11.5
314(f)	Inapplicable

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SECTION OF THE ACT	SECTION OF INDENTURE	
315(a), (c) and (d)	6.1	
315(b)	5.11	
315(e)	5.12	
316(a)(1)	5.9	
316(a)(2)	Not required	
316(a)(last sentence)	7.4	
316(b)	5.7	
317(a)	5.2	
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* This cross-reference sheet is not part of the indenture.		

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THIS INDENTURE, dated as of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, between LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED, a Nevada corporation (the "Issuer"), and [INSERT NAME OF TRUSTEE], a national banking association (the "Trustee"),

## WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Issuer has duly authorized the issue from time to time of its unsecured debentures, notes or other evidences of indebtedness to be issued in one or more series (the "Securities") up to such principal amount or amounts as may from time to time be authorized in accordance with the terms of this Indenture, and to provide, among other things, for the authentication, delivery and administration thereof, the Issuer has duly authorized the execution and delivery of this Indenture; and

WHEREAS, all things necessary to make this Indenture a valid indenture and agreement according to its terms have been done.

#### NOW, THEREFORE:

In consideration of the premises and the purchases of the Securities by the Holders thereof, the Issuer and the Trustee mutually covenant and agree for the equal and proportionate benefit of the respective Holders from time to time of the Securities as follows:

#### ARTICLE ONE

#### DEFINITIONS

SECTION 1.1 Certain Terms Defined. The following terms (except as otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise clearly requires) for all purposes of this Indenture and of any indenture supplemental hereto shall have the respective meanings specified in this Section. All other terms used in this Indenture that are defined in the Trust Indenture Act or the definitions of which in the Securities Act are referred to in the Trust Indenture Act including terms defined therein by reference to the Securities Act (except as herein otherwise expressly provided or unless the context otherwise clearly requires) shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in the Trust Indenture Act and in the Securities Act, as applicable, as in force at the date of this Indenture. All accounting terms used herein and not expressly defined shall have the meanings assigned to such terms in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and the term "generally accepted accounting principles" means such accounting principles as are generally accepted at the time of any computation. The words "herein," "hereof," and "hereunder" and other words of similar import refer to this Indenture as a whole and not to any particular Article, Section or other subdivision. The terms defined in this Article have the meanings assigned to the plural as well as the singular. Words of the masculine gender shall be deemed and construed to include correlative words of the feminine and neuter genders, and words of the neuter gender shall be deemed and construed to include correlative and feminine genders.

"Agent" means any Securities Registrar or paying agent.

"Applicable Procedures" mean, with respect to any matter at any time, the policies and procedures of the Depository that are applicable to such mater any such time.

"Board of Directors" means either the Board of Directors of the Issuer or any committee of such Board of Directors duly authorized to act hereunder.

"Board Resolution" means a copy of a resolution certified by the secretary or an assistant secretary of the Issuer to have been duly adopted by the Board of Directors and to be in full force and effect on the date of such certification and delivered to the Trustee.

"Business Day" means, with respect to any Security, a day that in the city (or in any of the cities, if more than one) in which amounts are payable, as specified in the form of such Security, is not a day on which banking institutions are authorized by law or regulation to close or a day on which transactions in the currency in which the Securities are payable are not conducted.

"Commission" means the Securities and Exchange Commission, as from time to time constituted, created under the Exchange Act, or if at any time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture such Commission is not existing and performing the duties now assigned to it under the Trust Indenture Act, then the body performing such duties on such date.

"Corporate Trust Office" means the designated office of the Trustee at which the corporate trust business of the Trustee shall, at any particular time, be principally administered, which office is, at the date as of which this Indenture is dated, located at \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_.

"Depository" means, with respect to the Securities of any series issuable or issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities, the clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act specified for that purpose as contemplated by Section 2.3.

"Dollar" or"\$" means a dollar or other equivalent unit of legal tender for payment of public or private debts in the United States.

"Euro" means the single currency of the European Union as constituted by the Treaty on European Union and as referred to in the legislative measures of the European Union for the introduction of, changeover to or operation of the Euro in one or more member states, being in part legislative measures to implement the European and Monetary Union as contemplated in the Treaty on European Union.

"Event of Default" means any event or condition specified as such in Section 5.1.

"Exchange Act" means the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 as it may be amended and any successor act thereto and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Foreign Currency" means a currency, currency unit or composite currency, including, without limitation, the Euro or Pounds Sterling, issued by the government of one or more countries other than the United States or by any recognized confederation or association of such governments.

"Global Security" means a security bearing the legend specified in <u>Section 2.12(c)</u> evidencing all or part of a series of Securities, authenticated and delivered to the Depository for such series or its nominee, and registered in the name of such Depository or nominee.

"Holder," "Holder of Security is registered in the Security Register.

"Indenture" means this instrument as originally executed and delivered or, if amended or supplemented as herein provided, as so amended or supplemented or both, and shall include the forms and terms of particular series of Securities established as contemplated hereunder.

"Issuer" means LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED, a Nevada corporation, and, subject to Article Nine, its successors and assigns.

"Issuer Request" or "Issuer Order" means a written request or order signed in the name of the Issuer by any two of the following officers: the chairman of the Board of Directors, its president, any vice president, its treasurer, an assistant treasurer, its secretary or an assistant secretary and delivered to the Trustee.

"Notice of Default" has the meaning set forth in Section 5.1(d).

"Officers' Certificate" means a certificate signed by any two of the following officers: the chairman of the Board of Directors, the president, any vice president, the treasurer, an assistant treasurer, the secretary or an assistant secretary of the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee. Each such certificate shall include the statements provided for in <u>Section 11.5</u>.

"Opinion of Counsel" means an opinion in writing signed by legal counsel who may be an employee of or counsel to the Issuer or other counsel who shall be satisfactory to the Trustee. Each such opinion shall include the statements provided for in <u>Section 11.5</u>, unless otherwise provided herein.

"Original issue date" of any Security (or portion thereof) means the earlier of (a) the date of such Security or (b) the date of any Security (or portion thereof) for which such Security was issued (directly or indirectly) on registration of transfer, exchange, or substitution.

"Original Issue Discount Security" means any Security that provides for an amount less than the principal amount thereof to be due and payable upon a declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to Section 5.1.

"Outstanding" when used with reference to Securities, subject to the provisions of Section 7.4, means, as of any particular time, all Securities authenticated and delivered by the Trustee under this Indenture, except

(a) Securities theretofore canceled by the Trustee or delivered to the Trustee for cancellation;

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(b) Securities, or portions thereof, for the payment or redemption of which moneys in the necessary amount shall have been deposited in trust with the Trustee or with any paying agent (other than the Issuer) or shall have been set aside, segregated and held in trust by the Issuer for the Holders of such Securities (if the Issuer shall act as its own paying agent), provided that if such Securities, or portions thereof, are to be redeemed prior to the maturity thereof, notice of such redemption shall have been given as herein provided, or provision satisfactory to the Trustee shall have been made for giving such notice; and

(c) Securities in substitution for which other Securities shall have been authenticated and delivered, or which shall have been paid, pursuant to the terms of <u>Section 2.9</u> (except with respect to any such Security as to which proof satisfactory to the Trustee is presented that such Security is held by a person in whose hands such Security is a legal, valid and binding obligation of the Issuer).

In determining whether the Holders of the requisite principal amount of Outstanding Securities of any or all series have given any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent or waiver hereunder, the principal amount of an Original Issue Discount Security that shall be deemed to be Outstanding for such purposes shall be the amount of the principal thereof that would be due and payable as of the date of such determination upon a declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to <u>Section 5.1</u>.

"Person" means any individual, corporation, partnership, joint venture, association, joint stock company, trust, unincorporated organization, limited liability company or government or any agency or political subdivision thereof.

"Place of Payment" means, when used with respect to the Securities of any series, the place or places where the principal of and interest on the Securities of that series are payable as specified as contemplated by Section 2.8.

"Pounds Sterling" means pounds sterling or other equivalent unit in such coin or currency of the United Kingdom as at the time shall be legal tender for the payment of public and private debts.

"Principal" shall, whenever used with reference to the Securities or any Security or any portion thereof, be deemed to include "and premium, if any."

"Regulation S" means Regulation S under the Securities Act (including any successor regulation thereto), as it may be amended from time to time.

"Responsible Officer" means, when used with respect to the Trustee, any officer of the Trustee within the Corporate Trust Office with direct responsibility to administer its corporate trust matters.

"Securities Act" means the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

"Security" or "Securities" has the meaning set forth in the first recital of this Indenture or, as the case may be, Securities that have been authenticated and delivered under this Indenture.

"Security Register" and "Security Registrar" have the meanings set forth in Section 2.8.

"Trust Indenture Act" (except as otherwise provided in <u>Sections 8.1</u> and <u>8.2</u>) means the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 as in force at the date as of which this Indenture was originally executed, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Trustee" means the Person identified as "Trustee" in the first paragraph hereof and, subject to the provisions of Article Six, shall also include any successor trustee.

"U.S." or "United States" means the United States of America.

"U.S. Government Obligations" means direct obligations of, or obligations guaranteed by, the United States, backed by its full faith and credit.

"Vice president" means, when used with respect to the Issuer, any vice president, whether or not designated by a number or a word or words added before or after the title of "vice president."

"Yield to Maturity" means the yield to maturity on a series of securities, calculated at the time of issuance of such series or, if applicable, at the most recent redetermination of interest on such series and calculated in accordance with accepted financial practice.

## ARTICLE TWO

## SECURITIES

SECTION 2.1 Forms Generally. The Securities of each series shall be substantially in such form (not inconsistent with this Indenture) as shall be established by or pursuant to a Board Resolution and set forth in an Officers' Certificate or in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, in each case with such appropriate insertions, omissions, substitutions and other variations as are required or permitted by this Indenture, and may have imprinted or otherwise reproduced thereon such legend or legends, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture, as may be required to comply with any law or with any rules or regulations pursuant thereto, or with any rules of any securities exchange or depository therefor or to conform to general usage, all as may be determined by the officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of the Securities.

The definitive Securities shall be printed, lithographed or engraved on steel engraved borders or may be produced in any other manner, all as determined by the officers executing such Securities, as evidenced by their execution of such Securities.

SECTION 2.2 Form of Trustee's Certificate of Authentication. The Trustee's certificate of authentication on all Securities shall be in substantially the following form:

This is one of the Securities, of the series designated herein, referred to in the within-mentioned Indenture.

TRUSTEE, as Trustee By Authorized Signatory

SECTION 2.3 Amount Unlimited; Issuable in Series. The aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture is unlimited.

The Securities may be issued in one or more series. There shall be established in or pursuant to a Board Resolution and, subject to Section 2.4, set forth, or determined in the manner provided, in an Officers' Certificate, or established in one or more indentures supplemental hereto, prior to the issuance of Securities of any series,

(a) the title of the Securities of the series (which shall distinguish the Securities of the series from all other Securities);

(b) any limit upon the aggregate principal amount of the Securities of the series that may be authenticated and delivered under this Indenture (except for Securities authenticated and delivered upon registration of transfer of, or in exchange for, or in lieu of, other Securities of the series pursuant to Section 2.8, 2.9, 2.11, 8.5, or 12.3 and except for any Securities that, pursuant to Section 2.4, are deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder);

(c) The date or dates on which the principal of the Securities of the series is payable or the method by which such date or dates shall be determined;

(d) the rate or rates at which the Securities of the series shall bear interest, if any, or the method by which such rate or rates shall be determined, the date or dates from which such interest shall accrue, the interest payment dates on which such interest shall be payable and the record dates for the determination of Holders to whom interest is payable;

(e) the place or places (each, a "Place of Payment") where the principal and any interest on Securities of the series shall be payable;

(f) whether any Securities of the series shall be redeemable at the option of the Issuer and, if so, the date or dates on which, the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which, the currencies in which and the other terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Issuer, pursuant to any sinking fund or otherwise;

(g) the obligation, if any, of the Issuer to redeem, purchase or repay Securities of the series pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provisions or at the option of a Holder thereof and the price or prices at which and the period or periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which Securities of the series shall be redeemed, purchased or repaid, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;

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(h) any provisions necessary to permit or facilitate the issuance, payment or conversion of any Securities of the series that may be converted into securities or other property other than Securities of the same series (including shares of the Issuer's common or preferred stock or other securities of the Issuer) and of like tenor, whether in addition to, or in lieu of, any payment of principal or other amount and whether at the option of the Issuer or otherwise;

(i) if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, the denominations in which Securities of the series shall be issuable;

(j) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of Securities of the series which shall be payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity thereof pursuant to <u>Section 5.1</u> or provable in bankruptcy pursuant to <u>Section 5.2</u>;

(k) any authenticating or paying agents, transfer agents or registrars or any other agents with respect to the Securities of such series;

(1) the Foreign Currency in which payment of the principal of and interest on the Securities of the series shall be payable if other than Dollars;

(m) if the principal of or interest, if any, on the Securities of that series are to be payable, at the election of the Issuer or a Holder thereof, in currencies other than that in which the Securities are stated to be payable, the currencies in which the principal of or interest on such Securities as to which such election is made shall be payable, the period or periods within which, and the terms and conditions upon which, such election may be made and the amount so payable (or the manner in which such amount shall be determined);

(n) if the amount of payments of principal of or interest, if any, on the Securities of the series may be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method, the manner in which such amounts shall be determined;

(o) whether the Securities of the series shall be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities and, in such case, the Depository with respect to such Global Security or Securities and the circumstances under which any such Global Security may be exchanged for Securities registered in the name of, and any transfer of such Global Security may be registered in the name of, a Person other than such Depository or its nominee, if other than as set forth in <u>Section 2.12(b)</u>;

(p) whether and under what circumstances the Issuer will pay additional amounts on the Securities of the series held by a Person who is not a U.S. person (as defined in Regulation S) in respect of any tax, assessment or governmental charge withheld or deducted and, if so, whether the Issuer will have the option to redeem such Securities rather than pay such additional amounts;

(q) if the Securities of such series are to be issuable in definitive form (whether upon original issue or upon exchange of a temporary Security of such series) only upon receipt of certain certificates or other documents or satisfaction of other conditions not otherwise set forth herein, then the form and terms of such certificates, documents or conditions;

(r) any proposed listing on any national or foreign securities exchange of the Securities of the series; and

(s) any other terms of the series, including provisions for payment by wire transfers, if any, or modifications of the definition of Business Day (which terms shall not be inconsistent with the provisions of this Indenture).

All Securities of any one series shall be substantially identical except as to denomination and except as may otherwise be provided in or pursuant to the Board Resolution referred to above and (subject to Sections 2.4) set forth in the Officers' Certificate or in any such indenture supplemental hereto.

SECTION 2.4 <u>Authentication and Delivery of Securities</u> At any time and from time to time after the execution and delivery of this Indenture, the Issuer may deliver Securities of any series executed by the Issuer to the Trustee for authentication, and the Trustee shall thereupon authenticate and deliver such Securities, to or upon an Issuer Order, without any further action by the Issuer. In authenticating such Securities and accepting the additional responsibilities under this Indenture in relation to such Securities the Trustee shall be entitled to receive and (subject to <u>Section 6.1</u>) shall be fully protected in relying upon:

(a) any Board Resolution by or pursuant to which the form and terms of such series were established;

(b) an executed supplemental indenture, if any;

(c) an Officers' Certificate setting forth the form and terms of the Securities as required pursuant to Section 2.3 and prepared in accordance with Section 11.5;

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(d) an Opinion of Counsel, prepared in accordance with Section 11.5, which shall state

(i) that the form or forms and terms of such Securities have been established by or pursuant to a Board Resolution or by a supplemental indenture as permitted by <u>Sections 2.1</u> and <u>2.3</u> in conformity with the provisions of this Indenture;

(ii) that such Securities, when authenticated and delivered by the Trustee and issued by the Issuer in the manner and subject to any conditions specified in such Opinion of Counsel, will constitute valid and binding obligations of the Issuer, enforceable against the Issuer in accordance with their terms; and

(iii) that all laws and requirements in respect of the execution and delivery by the Issuer of the Securities have been complied with.

The Trustee shall have the right to decline to authenticate and deliver any Securities under this Section if the Trustee, being advised by counsel, determines that such action may not lawfully be taken by the Issuer or if the Trustee in good faith by its board of directors or board of trustees, executive committee, or a trust committee of directors, trustees or Responsible Officers shall determine that such action would expose the Trustee to personal liability.

Notwithstanding the provisions of <u>Section 2.3</u> and of this <u>Section 2.4</u>, if all Securities of a series are not to be originally issued at one time, it shall not be necessary to deliver the Officers' Certificate otherwise required pursuant to <u>Section 2.3</u> or the Opinion of Counsel otherwise required pursuant to this <u>Section 2.4</u> at or prior to the time of authentication of each Security of such series if such documents are delivered at or prior to the time of authentication upon original issuance of the first Security of such series to be issued.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, if any Security shall have been authenticated and delivered hereunder but never issued and sold by the Issuer, and the Issuer shall deliver such Security to the Trustee for cancellation as provided in Section 2.10 together with a written statement (which need not comply with Section 11.5 and need not be accompanied by an Opinion of Counsel) stating that such Security has never been issued and sold by the Issuer, for all purposes of this Indenture such Security shall be deemed never to have been authenticated and delivered hereunder and shall never be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

SECTION 2.5 Execution of Securities. The Securities shall be signed on behalf of the Issuer by both the chairman of its Board of Directors, its president, any vice president, its treasurer or an assistant treasurer and its secretary or an assistant secretary. Such signatures may be the manual or facsimile signatures of the present or any future such officers.

In case any officer of the Issuer who shall have signed any of the Securities shall cease to be such officer before the Security so signed shall be authenticated and delivered by the Trustee or disposed of by the Issuer, such Security nevertheless may be authenticated and delivered or disposed of as though the person who signed such Security had not ceased to be such officer of the Issuer, and any Security may be signed on behalf of the Issuer by such persons as, at the actual date of the execution of such Security, shall be the proper officers of the Issuer, although at the date of the execution and delivery of this Indenture any such person was not such an officer.

SECTION 2.6 <u>Certificate of Authentication</u>. Only such Securities as shall bear thereon a certificate of authentication substantially in the form hereinbefore recited, executed by the Trustee by the manual signature of one of its authorized signatories, shall be entitled to the benefits of this Indenture or be valid or obligatory for any purpose. Such certificate by the Trustee upon any Security executed by the Issuer shall be conclusive evidence that the Security so authenticated has been duly authenticated and delivered hereunder and that the Holder is entitled to the benefits of this Indenture.

SECTION 2.7 <u>Denomination and Date of Securities</u>; <u>Payments of Interest</u>. The Securities of each series shall be issuable in registered form without coupons and only in such denominations as shall be specified as contemplated by <u>Section 2.3</u>. In the absence of any such specification with respect to the Securities of any series, the Securities of such series shall be issuable in dominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof. The Securities shall be numbered, lettered, or otherwise distinguished in such manner or in accordance with such plan as the officers of the Issuer executing the same may determine with the approval of the Trustee as evidenced by the execution and authentication thereof.

Each Security shall be dated the date of its authentication. The Securities of each series shall bear interest, if any, from the date, and such interest shall be payable on the dates, established as contemplated by Section 2.3.

The person in whose name any Security on the Security Register maintained by the Issuer pursuant to Section 2.8 of any series is registered at the close of business on any record date applicable to a particular series with respect to any interest payment date for such series shall be entitled to receive the interest, if any, payable on such interest payment date notwithstanding any transfer or exchange of such Security subsequent to the record date and prior to such interest payment date, except if and to the extent the Issuer shall default in the payment of the interest due on such interest payment date for such series, in which case such defaulted interest shall be paid to the persons in whose names Outstanding Securities for such series are registered at the close of business on a subsequent record date (which shall be not less than five Business Days prior to the date of payment of such defaulted interest) established by notice given by mail by or on behalf of the Issuer to the Holders of Securities not less than 15 days preceding such subsequent record date. The term "record date" as used with respect to any interest payment date (except a date for payment of defaulted interest) shall mean the date specified as such in the terms of the Securities of any particular series or, if no such date is so specified, if such interest payment date is the first day of a calendar month, then the fifteenth day of the next preceding calendar month or, if such interest payment date is the fifteenth day of a calendar month, whether or not such record date is a Business Day.

SECTION 2.8 <u>Registration</u>, <u>Transfer and Exchange</u>. The Issuer will keep or cause to be kept at each office or agency to be maintained for the purpose as provided in <u>Section 3.2</u> a register or registers for each series of Securities issued hereunder (collectively, the "Security Register") in which, subject to such reasonable regulations as it may prescribe, it will register, and will register the transfer of, or cause the registration of transfer of, Securities as in this Article provided. Such register shall be in written form in the English language or in any other form capable of being converted into such form within a reasonable time. At all reasonable times such register or registers shall be open for inspection by the Trustee. Unless the Issuer appoints another entity as Security Registrar, the Trustee is hereby appointed "Security Registrar" for the purpose of registering Securities and transfers of Securities as herein provided.

Upon due presentation for registration of transfer of any Security of any series at any such office or agency in a Place of Payment for that series, the Issuer shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in the name of the transferee or transferees a new Security or Securities of the same series in authorized denominations for a like aggregate principal amount and tenor.

Any Security or Securities of any series may be exchanged for a Security or Securities of the same series in other authorized denominations, in an equal aggregate principal amount and like tenor. Securities of any series to be exchanged shall be surrendered at any office or agency in a Place of Payment for that series, and the Issuer shall execute, and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, in exchange therefor the Security or Securities of the same series which the Securityholder making the exchange shall be entitled to receive, bearing numbers not contemporaneously outstanding. All Securities surrendered upon any exchange or transfer provided for in this Indenture shall be promptly canceled and disposed of by the Trustee and, upon request, the Trustee will deliver a certificate of disposition thereof to the Issuer.

All Securities presented for registration of transfer, exchange, redemption or payment shall (if so required by the Issuer or the Trustee) be duly endorsed by, or be accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer in form satisfactory to the Issuer and the Trustee duly executed by, the Holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing.

The Issuer may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any exchange or registration of transfer of Securities and shall not be required to exchange or register a transfer of any Securities until such payment is made. No service charge shall be made for any such transaction.

Neither the Issuer nor the Trustee shall be required to issue, exchange or register a transfer of (a) any Securities of any series for a period of 15 days next preceding the first mailing of notice of redemption of Securities of such series to be redeemed or (b) any Securities selected, called or being called for redemption except, in the case of any Security to be redeemed in part, the portion thereof not so to be redeemed.

All Securities issued upon any registration of transfer or exchange of Securities shall be valid obligations of the Issuer, evidencing the same debt, and entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture, as the Securities surrendered upon such registration of transfer or exchange.

SECTION 2.9 <u>Mutilated, Defaced, Destroyed, Lost, and Stolen Securities</u>. In case any temporary or definitive Security shall become mutilated, defaced or be destroyed, lost or stolen, the Issuer in its discretion may execute, and upon receipt of an Issuer Order the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, a new Security of the same series, of like tenor and principal amount and bearing a number not contemporaneously outstanding, in exchange and substitution for the mutilated or defaced Security, or in lieu of and substitution for the Security so destroyed, lost or stolen. In every case, the applicant for a substitute Security shall furnish to the Issuer and to the Trustee and any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee such security or indemnity as may be required by them to indemnify and defend and to save each of them harmless and, in every case of destruction, loss or theft, evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of such Security and of the ownership thereof.

Upon the issuance of any substitute Security, the Issuer may require the payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in relation thereto and any other expenses (including the fees and expenses of the Trustee) connected therewith. In case any Security which has matured or is about to mature or has been called for redemption in full shall become mutilated or defaced or be destroyed, lost or stolen, the Issuer may, at its sole discretion, instead of issuing a substitute Security, pay or authorize the payment of the same (without surrender thereof except in the case of a mutilated or defaced Security), if the applicant for such payment shall furnish to the Issuer and to the Trustee and any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee such security or indemnity as any of them may require to save each of them harmless, and, in every case of destruction, loss or theft, the applicant shall also furnish to the Issuer and the Trustee and any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee evidence to their satisfaction of the destruction, loss or theft of such Security and of the ownership thereof.

Every substitute Security of any series issued pursuant to the provisions of this Section by virtue of the fact that any such Security is destroyed, lost or stolen shall constitute an original additional contractual obligation of the Issuer, whether or not the destroyed, lost or stolen Security shall be at any time enforceable by anyone, and shall be entitled to all the benefits of (but shall be subject to all the limitations of rights set forth in) this Indenture equally and proportionately with any and all other Securities of such series duly issued, authenticated and delivered hereunder. All Securities shall be held and owned upon the express condition that, to the extent permitted by law, the foregoing provisions are exclusive with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, defaced or destroyed, lost or stolen Securities and shall preclude any and all other rights or remedies notwithstanding any law or statute existing or hereafter enacted to the contrary with respect to the replacement or payment of negotiable instruments or other securities without their surrender.

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SECTION 2.10 <u>Cancellation of Securities</u>; <u>Destruction Thereof</u>. All Securities surrendered for payment, redemption, registration of transfer or exchange or for credit against any payment in respect of a sinking or analogous fund, if surrendered to the Issuer or any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee, shall be delivered to the Trustee for cancellation or, if surrendered to the Trustee, shall be canceled by it; and no Securities shall be issued in lieu thereof except as expressly permitted by any of the provisions of this Indenture. The Trustee shall destroy cancelled Securities held by it and, upon request, deliver a certificate of destruction to the Issuer. If the Issuer shall acquire any of the Securities, such acquisition shall not operate as a redemption or satisfaction of the indebtedness represented by such Securities unless and until the same are delivered to the Trustee for cancellation.

SECTION 2.11 <u>Temporary Securities</u>. Pending the preparation of definitive Securities for any series, the Issuer may execute, and upon Issuer Order the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver, temporary Securities for such series in form reasonably acceptable to the Trustee. Temporary Securities of any series shall be issuable as Securities without coupons of any authorized denomination, and substantially in the form of the definitive Securities of such series, but with such omissions, insertions and variations as may be appropriate for temporary Securities, all as may be determined by the Issuer as evidenced by the executed by the Securities. Temporary Securities may contain such reference to any provisions of this Indenture as may be appropriate. Every temporary Securities. Without unreasonable delay, the Issuer shall be executed by the Trustee upon the same conditions and in substantially the same manner, and with like effect, as the definitive Securities. Without unreasonable delay, the Issuer shall execute and shall furnish definitive Securities of such series, and the reupon temporary Securities of such series may be surrendered in exchange therefor without charge at the office or agency in each Place of Payment for such series of authorized denominations. Until so exchange for such temporary Securities of any series shall be entitled to the same benefits under this Indenture as definitive Securities of such series.

#### SECTION 2.12 Global Securities.

(a) <u>Terms of Securities</u>. A Board Resolution, a supplemental indenture hereto, or an Officer's Certificate shall establish whether the Securities of a series shall be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities and shall name the Depositary for such Global Security or Securities. Except as provided herein, each Global Security shall be (i) registered in the name of the Depositary or its nominee, (ii) deposited with the Depositary or its nominee, and (iii) bear the legend indicated in Section 2.12(c). (b) <u>Transfer and Exchange</u>. Notwithstanding any provisions to the contrary contained in Section 2.08 and in addition thereto, any Global Security shall be exchangeable pursuant to Section 2.08 for Securities registered in the names of Holders other than the Depositary for such Security or its nominee only if (i) such Depositary notifies the Issuer that it is unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary for such Global Security or if at any time such Depositary ceases to be a clearing agency registered under the Exchange Act, and, in either case, the Issuer fails to appoint a successor Depositary registered as a clearing agency under the Exchange Act within 90 days of such event, (ii) the Issuer executes and delivers to the Trustee an Officer's Certificate to the effect that such Global Security shall be so exchangeable or (iii) an Event of Default with respect to the Securities regrestered by such Global Security shall have occurred and be continuing. Any Global Security that is exchangeable pursuant to the preceding sentence shall be exchangeable for Securities registered in such names as the Depositary shall direct in writing in an aggregate principal amount equal to the principal amount of the Global Security with like tenor and terms.

Except as provided in this Section 2.12(b), a Global Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary with respect to such Global Security to a nominee of such Depositary, by a nominee of such Depositary to such Depositary or another nominee of such Depositary or by the Depositary, or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such a successor Depositary.

(c) Legend. Any Global Security issued hereunder shall bear a legend in substantially the following form:

"This Security is a Global Security within the meaning of the Indenture hereinafter referred to and is registered in the name of the Depositary or a nominee of the Depositary. This Security is exchangeable for Securities registered in the name of a person other than the Depositary or its nominee only in the limited circumstances described in the Indenture, and may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary to a nominee of the Depositary, by a nominee of the Depositary or another nominee of the Depositary or by the Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such a successor Depositary."

(d) <u>Payments</u>. Notwithstanding the other provisions of this Indenture, payment of the principal of and interest, if any, on any Global Security shall be made to the Holder thereof. Prior to due presentment of a Security for registration of transfer, the Issuer, the Trustee, any Agent and any other agent of the Issuer or the Trustee may treat the Person in whose name such Security is registered as the owner of such Security for the purpose of receiving payment of principal of and any premium and any interest on such Security and for all other purposes whatsoever, and neither the Issuer, the Trustee nor any Agent or other agent of the Issuer or the Trustee will be affected by notice to the contrary.

(e) <u>Responsibility of Trustee or Agents</u>. Neither the Trustee nor any Agent shall have any responsibility for any actions taken or not taken by the Depositary. The Issuer has entered into a letter of representations with the Depositary in the form provided by the Depositary and the Trustee and each Agent is hereby authorized to act in accordance with such letter and the Applicable Procedures.

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Neither the Trustee nor any Agent shall have any responsibility or obligation to any beneficial owner in a Global Security, a Depositary participant or other Person with respect to (i) the accuracy of the records of the Depositary or its nominee or of any Depositary participant with respect to any ownership interest in the Securities, (ii) the delivery to any Depositary participant, beneficial owner or other Person (other than the Depositary) of any notice (including any notice of redemption) or (iii) the payment of any amount under or with respect to such Securities. All notices and communications to be given to the Holders and all payments to be made to Holders under the Securities and this Indenture shall be given or made only to or upon the order of the registered holders (which shall be the Depositary or its nominee in the Global Security). The rights of beneficial owners in the Global Security shall be exercised only through the Depositary with respect to its members, participants and any beneficial owners. The Trustee and each Agent shall be entitled to deal with the Depositary, and any nominee thereof, that is the registered holder of any Global Security for all purposes of this Indenture relating to such Global Security (including the payment of principal, premium, if any, and interest and additional amounts, if any, and the giving of instructions or directions by or to the owner or holder of a beneficial ownership interest in such Global Security) as the sole Holder of such Global Security and shall have no obligations to the beneficial owners thereof. Neither the Trustee nor any Agent shall have any responsibility or liability for any acts or omissions of the Depositary with respect to such Global Security, for any transactions between the Depositary and any Depositary participant or between or among the Depositary, any such Depositary participant and/or any holder or owner of a beneficial interest in such Global Security.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, with respect to any Global Security, nothing herein shall prevent the Issuer, the Trustee, any Agent or any other agent of the Issuer or the Trustee from giving effect to any written certification, proxy or other authorization furnished by any Depositary (or its nominee), as a Holder, authorizing any Person to take any action which a Holder is entitled to take under this Indenture or the Securities, including providing consents, declarations, waivers or directions, with respect to such Global Security or shall impair, as between such Depositary and owners of beneficial interests in such Global Security, the operation of customary practices governing the exercise of the rights of such Depositary (or its nominee) as Holder of such Global Security.

SECTION 2.13 <u>CUSIP Numbers</u>. The Company in issuing the Securities may use "CUSIP" numbers (if then generally in use), and if so, the Trustee shall use "CUSIP" numbers in notices of redemption as a convenience to Holders; provided that any such notice may state that no representation is made as to the correctness of such numbers either as printed on the Securities or as contained in any notice of a redemption and that reliance may be placed only on the other identification numbers printed on the Securities, and any such redemption shall not be affected by any defect in or omission of such numbers. The Company will promptly notify the Trustee in writing of any change in the "CUSIP" numbers.

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## ARTICLE THREE

#### COVENANTS OF THE ISSUER

SECTION 3.1 Payment of Principal and Interest. The Issuer covenants and agrees for the benefit of each series of Securities that it will duly and punctually pay or cause to be paid the principal of, and interest on, each of the Securities of such series at the place or places, at the respective times and in the manner provided in such Securities.

SECTION 3.2 Offices for Payments, etc. So long as any of the Securities remain Outstanding, the Issuer will maintain in each Place of Payment for any series of such Securities an office or agency (a) where the Securities of that series may be presented for payment, (b) where the Securities of that series may be presented for registration of transfer and for exchange as in this Indenture provided and (c) where notices and demands to or upon the Issuer in respect of the Securities of that series or of this Indenture may be served.

The Issuer will give to the Trustee written notice of the location of any such office or agency and of any change of location thereof. With respect to each series of Securities, the Issuer hereby designates the Corporate Trust Office as the initial office to be maintained by it for each such purpose. In case the Issuer shall fail to so designate or maintain any such office or agency or shall fail to give such notice of the location or of any change in the location thereof, presentations and demands may be made and

notices may be served at the Corporate Trust Office, and the Issuer hereby appoints the Trustee, and the Trustee accepts such appointment, as its agent to receive all such presentations, notices and demands.

SECTION 3.3 Appointment to Fill a Vacancy in Office of Trustee. The Issuer, whenever necessary to avoid or fill a vacancy in the office of Trustee, will appoint, in the manner provided in Section 6.10, a Trustee, so that there shall at all times be a Trustee with respect to each series of Securities hereunder.

SECTION 3.4 Paying Agents. Whenever the Issuer shall appoint a paying agent other than the Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series, it will cause such paying agent to execute and deliver to the Trustee an instrument in which such agent shall agree with the Trustee, subject to the provisions of this Section,

(a) that it will hold all sums received by it as such agent for the payment of the principal of or interest on the Securities of such series (whether such sums have been paid to it by the Issuer or by any other obligor on the Securities of such series) in trust for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series or of the Trustee, and

(b) that it will give the Trustee notice of any failure by the Issuer (or by any other obligor on the Securities of such series) to make any payment of the principal of or interest on the Securities of such series when the same shall be due and payable.

The Issuer will, on or prior to each due date of the principal of or interest on the Securities of such series, deposit with the paying agent a sum sufficient to pay such principal or interest so becoming due, and (unless such paying agent is the Trustee) the Issuer will promptly notify the Trustee of any failure to take such action.

If the Issuer shall act as its own paying agent with respect to the Securities of any series, then it will, on or before each due date of the principal of or interest on the Securities of such series, set aside, segregate and hold in trust for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series a sum sufficient to pay such principal or interest so becoming due. The Issuer will promptly notify the Trustee of any failure to take such action.

Anything in this Section to the contrary notwithstanding, the Issuer may at any time, for the purpose of obtaining a satisfaction and discharge with respect to one or more or all series of Securities hereunder, or for any other reason, pay or cause to be paid to the Trustee all sums held in trust for any such series by the Issuer or any paying agent hereunder, as required by this Section, such sums to be held by the Trustee upon the trusts herein contained.

Anything in this Section to the contrary notwithstanding, the agreement to hold sums in trust as provided in this Section is subject to the provisions of Section 10.3 and 10.4.

SECTION 3.5 <u>Written Statement to Trustee</u>. The Issuer will deliver to the Trustee on or before April 30 in each year an Officers' Certificate as to each signatory thereof's knowledge of the Issuer's compliance with all conditions and covenants under this Indenture (such compliance to be determined without respect to any period of grace or requirement of notice provided under the Indenture), or if there has been a default, specifying the default and its nature and status.

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## ARTICLE FOUR

# SECURITYHOLDERS' LISTS AND REPORTS BY THE ISSUER AND THE TRUSTEE

#### SECTION 4.1 Issuer to Furnish Trustee Names and Addresses of Holders

If the Trustee is not the Security Registrar, the Issuer shall cause the Security Registrar to furnish to the Trustee, in writing at least five Business Days before each interest payment date and at such other times as the Trustee may request in writing, a list in such form and as of such date as the Trustee may reasonably require of the names and addresses of Holders of Securities of each series.

## SECTION 4.2 Preservation of Information; Communications to Holders.

The Trustee shall preserve, in as current a form as is reasonably practicable, the names and addresses of Holders contained in the most recent list furnished to the Trustee as provided in Section 4.1 and the names and addresses of Holders received by the Trustee in its capacity as Security Registrar. The Trustee may destroy any list furnished to it as provided in Section 4.1 upon receipt of a new list so furnished.

The rights of Holders to communicate with other Holders with respect to their rights under this Indenture or under the Securities, and the corresponding rights and privileges of the Trustee, shall be as provided by the Trust Indenture Act.

Every Holder of Securities, by receiving and holding the same, agrees with the Issuer and the Trustee that neither the Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of either of them shall be held accountable by reason of any disclosure of information as to names and addresses of Holders made pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act.

## SECTION 4.3 Reports by Trustee.

Within 60 days after each May 15 in each year in which any of the Securities are Outstanding, the Trustee shall transmit to Holders such reports concerning the Trustee and its actions under this Indenture as may be required pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act. The Trustee shall promptly deliver to the Issuer a copy of any report it delivers to Holders pursuant to this Section 4.3.

A copy of each such report shall, at the time of such transmission to Holders, be filed by the Trustee with each stock exchange and automated quotation system, if any, upon which any Securities are listed, with the Commission and with the Issuer. The Issuer will notify the Trustee when any Securities are listed on any stock exchange or automated quotation system or delisted therefrom.

## SECTION 4.4 Reports by Issuer.

The Issuer shall file with the Trustee, and transmit to the Holders, such information, documents and other reports, and such summaries thereof, as may be required pursuant to the Trust Indenture Act. Delivery of such reports, information, and documents to the Trustee is for informational purposes only and shall not constitute a representation or warranty as to the accuracy or completeness of the reports, information, and documents. All required reports, information, and documents referred to in this Section 4.4 shall be deemed filed with the Trustee and transmitted to the Holders at the time such reports, information or documents are publicly filed with the Commission via the Commission's EDGAR.

#### ARTICLE FIVE

#### EVENTS OF DEFAULT; REMEDIES

SECTION 5.1 Event of Default Defined; Acceleration of Maturity; Waiver of Default "Event of Default" with respect to Securities of any series wherever used herein, means each one of the following events which shall have occurred and be continuing (whatever the reason for such Event of Default and whether it shall be voluntary or

involuntary or be effected by operation of law or pursuant to any judgment, decree or order of any court or any order, rule or regulation of any administrative or governmental body):

(a) default in the payment of any instalment of interest upon any of the Securities of such series as and when the same shall become due and payable, and continuance of such default for a period of 30 days; or

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(b) default in the payment of all or any part of the principal on any of the Securities of such series as and when the same shall become due and payable either at maturity, upon redemption, by declaration or otherwise; or

(c) default in the payment of any sinking fund instalment as and when the same shall become due and payable by the terms of the Securities of such series; or

(d) default in the performance, or breach, of any covenant or warranty of the Issuer in respect of the Securities of such series (other than a covenant or warranty in respect of the Securities of such series a default in the performance or breach of which is elsewhere in this Section specifically dealt with or that has expressly been included in this Indenture solely for the benefit of a series of Securities other than that series) and continuance of such default or breach for a period of 90 days after there has been given, by registered or certified mail, to the Issuer by the Trustee or to the Issuer and the Trustee by the Holders of at least 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of all series affected thereby, a written notice specifying such default or breach and requiring it to be remedied and stating that such notice is a "Notice of Default" hereunder; or

(e) a court having jurisdiction in the premises shall enter a decree or order for relief in respect of the Issuer in an involuntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect, or shall appoint a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee or sequestrator (or similar official) of the Issuer or for any substantial part of its property or ordering the winding up or liquidation of its affairs, and such decree or order shall remain unstayed and in effect for a period of 90 consecutive days; or

(f) the Issuer shall commence a voluntary case under any applicable bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law now or hereafter in effect, or consent to the entry of an order for relief in an involuntary case commenced against the Issuer under any such law, or consent to the appointment of or taking possession by a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee or sequestrator (or similar official) of the Issuer or for any substantial part of its property, or make any general assignment for the benefit of creditors; or

(g) any other Event of Default provided in the supplemental indenture or Board Resolution under which such series of Securities is issued or in the form of Security for such series.

If an Event of Default with respect to a particular series of Securities described in clauses (a), (b), (c), (d) or (g) above occurs and is continuing, then, and in each and every such case, either the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding hereunder (each such series voting as a separate class), by notice in writing to the Issuer (and to the Trustee if given by Securityholders), may declare the entire principal (or, if the Securities of such series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of such series) of all Securities of such series and the interest accrued thereon, if any, to be due and payable immediately, and upon any such declaration the same shall become immediately due and payable. If an Event of Default described in clause (e) or (f) occurs and is continuing, then, and in each and every such case, either the Trustee or the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of all the Securities then Outstanding hereunder (treated as one class), by notice in writing to the Issuer (and to the Trustee if given by Securityholders), may declare the entire principal (or, if any Securities are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal as well become immediately due and payable.

The foregoing provisions, however, are subject to the condition that (A) if, at any time after the principal (or, if the Securities are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal as may be specified in the terms thereof) of the Securities of any series (or of all the Securities, as the case may be) shall have been so declared due and payable, and before any judgment or decree for the payment of the moneys due shall have been obtained or entered as hereinafter provided, the Issuer shall pay or shall deposit with the Trustee as um sufficient to pay (i) all matured installments of interest upon all the Securities of such series (or of all the Securities, as the case may be), (ii) the principal of any and all Securities of such series (or of all the Securities, as the case may be), (ii) the principal and, to the extent that payment of such interest is enforceable under applicable law, on overdue installments of interest or Yields to Maturity of all the Securities, as the case may be, to the date of such payment or deposit)) and (iii) such amount as shall be sufficient to cover (x) reasonable compensation to the Trustee, its agents, attorneys and counsel, (y) all other expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith and (z) all other amounts due to the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee pursuant to <u>Section 6.6</u> and (B) if any and all Events of Default under the Indenture, other than the nonpayment of the principal of Securities which shall have been due by acceleration, shall have been cured, waived or otherwise remedied as provided herein, then and in every such case the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of all the Securities, each series, each series voting as a separate class (or of all the Securities, as the case may be, voting as a single class), then Outstanding, by written notice to the Issuer and to the Trustee, may waive all defaults with respect to such series (or with respect to all the Securit

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For all purposes under this Indenture, if a portion of the principal of any Original Issue Discount Securities shall have been accelerated and declared due and payable pursuant to the provisions hereof, then, from and after such declaration, unless such declaration has been rescinded and annulled, the principal amount of such Original Issue Discount Securities shall be deemed, for all purposes hereunder, to be such portion of the principal thereof as shall be due and payable as a result of such acceleration, and payment of such portion of the principal thereof as shall be due and payable as a result of such acceleration, together with interest, if any, thereon and all other amounts owing thereunder, shall constitute payment in full of such Original Issue Discount Securities.

SECTION 5.2 <u>Collection of Indebtedness by Trustee; Trustee May Prove Debt</u> The Issuer covenants that (a) in case default shall be made in the payment of any instalment of interest on any of the Securities of any series when such interest shall have become due and payable, and such default shall have continued for a period of 30 days, or (b) in case default shall be made in the payment of all or any part of the principal of any of the Securities of any series when the same shall have become due and payable, whether upon maturity of the Securities of such series or upon any redemption or by declaration or otherwise—then upon demand of the Trustee, the Issuer will pay to the Trustee for the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series the whole amount that then shall have become due and payable on all Securities of such series for principal or interest, as the case may be (with interest to the date of such payment upon the overdue principal and, to the extent that payment of such interest is enforceable under applicable law, on overdue installments of interest, such as the same rate as the rate of interest or Yield to Maturity (in the case of original Issue Discount Securities) specified in the Securities of such series); and in addition thereto, such further amount as shall be sufficient to cover the costs and expenses of collection, including reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and any expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee pursuant to <u>Section 6.6</u>.

Until such demand is made by the Trustee, the Issuer may pay the principal of and interest on the Securities of any series to the Holders, whether or not the principal of and interest on the Securities of such series be overdue.

In case the Issuer shall fail forthwith to pay such amounts upon such demand, the Trustee, in its own name and as trustee of an express trust, shall be entitled and empowered to institute any action or proceeding at law or in equity for the collection of the sums so due and unpaid, and may prosecute any such action or proceeding to judgment or final decree, and may enforce any such judgment or final decree against the Issuer or other obligor upon such Securities and collect in the manner provided by law out of the property of the Issuer or other obligor upon such Securities, wherever situated, the moneys adjudged or decreed to be payable.

In case there shall be pending proceedings relative to the Issuer or any other obligor upon the Securities under Title 11 of the U.S. Code or any other applicable federal or state bankruptcy, insolvency or other similar law, or in case a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee or sequestrator (or similar official) shall have been appointed for or taken possession of the Issuer or its property or such other obligor, or in case of any other comparable judicial proceedings relative to the Issuer or other obligor upon the Securities of any series or to the creditors or property of the Issuer or such other obligor, the Trustee, irrespective of whether the principal of any Securities shall then be due and payable as therein expressed or by declaration or otherwise and irrespective of whether the Trustee shall have made any demand pursuant to the provisions of this Section, shall be entitled and empowered, by intervention in such proceedings or otherwise:

(a) to file and prove a claim or claims for the whole amount of principal and interest (or, if the Securities of any series are Original Issue Discount Securities, such portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of such series) owing and unpaid in respect of the Securities of any series, and to file such other papers or documents as may be necessary or advisable in order to have the claims of the Trustee (including any claim for reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and for reimbursement of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee, except as a result of negligence or bad faith, and all other amounts due to the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee pursuant to Section 6.6 ) and of the Securityholders allowed in any judicial proceedings relative to the Issuer or other obligor upon the Securities of any series, or to the creditors or property of the Issuer or such other obligor,

(b) unless prohibited by applicable law and regulations, to vote on behalf of the Holders of the Securities of any series in any election of a trustee or a standby trustee in arrangement, reorganization, liquidation or other bankruptcy or insolvency proceedings or person performing similar functions in comparable proceedings, and

(c) to collect and receive any moneys or other property payable or deliverable on any such claims, and to distribute all amounts received with respect to the claims of the Securityholders and of the Trustee on their behalf; and any trustee, receiver, or liquidator, custodian or other similar official is hereby authorized by each of the Securityholders to make payments to the Trustee, and, in the event that the Trustee shall consent to the making of payments directly to the Securityholders, to pay to the Trustee such amounts as shall be sufficient to cover reasonable compensation to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents, attorneys and counsel, and all other expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith and all other amounts due to the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee pursuant to Section 6.6.

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Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize the Trustee to authorize or consent to or vote for or accept or adopt on behalf of any Securityholder any plan of reorganization, arrangement, adjustment or composition affecting the Securities of any series or the rights of any Holder thereof, or to authorize the Trustee to vote in respect of the claim of any Securityholder in any such proceeding except, as aforesaid, to vote for the election of a trustee in bankruptcy or similar person.

All rights of action and of asserting claims under this Indenture, or under any of the Securities may be enforced by the Trustee without the possession of any of the Securities or the production thereof on any trial or other proceedings relative thereto, and any such action or proceedings instituted by the Trustee shall be brought in its own name as trustee of an express trust, and any recovery of judgment, subject to the payment of the reasonable expenses, disbursements, compensation and all other amounts due pursuant to <u>Section 6.6</u> to the Trustee, each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents and attorneys, shall be for the ratable benefit of the Holders of the Securities in respect of which such judgment has been recovered.

In any proceedings brought by the Trustee (and also any proceedings involving the interpretation of any provision of this Indenture to which the Trustee shall be a party), the Trustee shall be held to represent all the Holders of the Securities in respect to which such action was taken, and it shall not be necessary to make any Holders of such Securities parties to any such proceedings.

SECTION 5.3 <u>Application of Proceeds</u>. Any moneys collected by the Trustee pursuant to this Article in respect of any series shall be applied in the following order at the date or dates fixed by the Trustee and, in case of the distribution of such moneys on account of principal or interest, upon presentation of the several Securities in respect of which monies have been collected and stamping (or otherwise noting) thereon the payment, or issuing Securities of such series in reduced principal amounts in exchange for the presented Securities of like series if only partially paid, or upon surrender thereof if fully paid:

FIRST: To the payment of costs and expenses applicable to such series in respect of which monies have been collected, including reasonable compensation to the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee and their respective agents and attorneys and of all expenses and liabilities incurred, and all advances made, by the Trustee in the exercise of its rights or discharge of its duties hereunder and each predecessor Trustee except as a result of negligence or bad faith, and all other amounts due to the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee pursuant to <u>Section 6.6</u>;

SECOND: In case the principal of the Securities of such series in respect of which moneys have been collected shall not have become and be then due and payable, to the payment of interest on the Securities of such series in default in the order of the maturity of the installments of such interest, with interest (to the extent that such interest has been collected by the Trustee) upon the overdue installments of interest at the same rate as the rate of interest or Yield to Maturity (in the case of Original Issue Discount Securities) specified in such Securities, such payments to be made ratably to the persons entitled thereto, without discrimination or preference;

THIRD: In case the principal of the Securities of such series in respect of which moneys have been collected shall have become and shall be then due and payable, to the payment of the whole amount then owing and unpaid upon all the Securities of such series for principal and interest, with interest upon the overdue principal, and (to the extent that such interest has been collected by the Trustee) upon overdue installments of interest at the same rate as the rate of interest or Yield to Maturity (in the case of Original Issue Discount Securities) specified in the securities of such series; and in case such moneys shall be insufficient to pay in full the whole amount so due and unpaid upon the Securities of such series, then to the payment of such principal and interest or Yield to Maturity, without preference or priority of principal over interest or Yield to Maturity, or of interest or Yield to Maturity over principal, or of any instalment of interest or any other instalment of interest, or of any Security of such series over any other Security of such series, ratably to the aggregate of such principal and accrued and unpaid interest or Yield to Maturity; and

FOURTH: To the payment of the remainder, if any, to the Issuer or any other person lawfully entitled thereto.

SECTION 5.4 Suits for Enforcement. In case an Event of Default has occurred, has not been waived and is continuing, the Trustee may in its discretion proceed to protect and enforce the rights vested in it by this Indenture by such appropriate judicial proceedings as the Trustee shall deem most effectual to protect and enforce any of such rights, either at law or in equity or in bankruptcy or otherwise, whether for the specific enforcement of any covenant or agreement contained in this Indenture or in aid of the exercise of any power granted in this Indenture or to enforce any other legal or equitable right vested in the Trustee by this Indenture or by law.

SECTION 5.5 Restoration of Rights on Abandonment of Proceedings. In case the Trustee or any Holder shall have proceeded to enforce any right or remedy under this

Indenture and such proceedings shall have been discontinued or abandoned for any reason, or shall have been determined adversely to the Trustee or to such Holder, then and in every such case, subject to any determination in such proceeding, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders shall be restored severally and respectively to their former positions and rights hereunder, and all rights, remedies and powers of the Issuer, the Trustee and the Securityholders shall continue as though no such proceedings had been taken.

SECTION 5.6 Limitations on Suits by Securityholders. No Holder of any Security of any series shall have any right by virtue or by availing of any provision of this Indenture to institute any action or proceedings at law or in equity or in bankruptcy or otherwise upon or under or with respect to this Indenture, or for the appointment of a receiver, liquidator, assignee, custodian, trustee, or sequestrator (or other similar official) or for any other remedy hereunder, unless (a) such Holder previously shall have given to the Trustee written notice of an Event of Default and of the continuance thereof with respect to the Securities of that series, as hereinbefore provided, (b) the Holders of not less than 25% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series then Outstanding shall have made written request upon the Trustee such reasonable indemnity as it may require against the costs, expenses and liabilities to be incurred therein or thereby, (d) the Trustee for 90 days after its receipt of such notice, request and offer of indemnity shall have failed to institute any such action or proceeding and (e) no direction inconsistent with such written request shall have been given to the Trustee pursuant to <u>Section 5.9</u> during such 90-day period by the Holders of a majority in principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series; it being understood and intended, and being expressly covenanted by the Holder of every Security with every other Holder and the Trustee, that no one or more Holders of any series shall have any right in any manner whatever by virtue or by availing themselves of any provision of this Indenture to affect, disturb or prejudice the rights of any other such Holder of Securities, or to obtain or seek to obtain priority over or preference to any other such Holder or to enforce any right in and enforcement of the Indenture, except in the manner herein provided and for the equal, retable and common benefit of all Holders of Securities of the applicable series. For the protection

SECTION 5.7 <u>Unconditional Right of Securityholders to Institute Certain Suits</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision in this Indenture and any provision of any Security, the right of any Holder of any Security to receive payment of the principal of and (subject to <u>Section 2.7</u>) interest on such Security on or after the respective due dates expressed in such Security or to institute suit for the enforcement of any such payment on or after such respective dates, shall not be impaired or affected without the consent of such Holder.

SECTION 5.8 Powers and Remedies Cumulative; Delay or Omission Not Waiver of Default Except as provided in Section 5.6 and as otherwise provided with respect to the replacement or payment of mutilated, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities in the last paragraph of Section 2.9, no right or remedy herein conferred upon or reserved to the Trustee or to the Securityholders is intended to be exclusive of any other right or remedy, and every right and remedy shall, to the extent permitted by law, be cumulative and in addition to every other right and remedy given hereunder or now or hereafter existing at law or in equity or otherwise. The assertion or employment of any right or remedy hereunder, or otherwise, shall not prevent the concurrent assertion or employment of any other appropriate right or remedy.

No delay or omission of the Trustee or of any Securityholder to exercise any right or power accruing upon any Event of Default occurring and continuing as aforesaid shall impair any such right or power or shall be construed to be a waiver of any such Event of Default or an acquiescence therein; and, subject to Section 5.6, every power and remedy given by this Indenture or by law to the Trustee or to the Securityholders may be exercised from time to time, and as often as shall be deemed expedient, by the Trustee or by the Securityholders.

SECTION 5.9 <u>Control by Securityholders</u>. The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of each series affected (with each series voting as a separate class) at the time Outstanding shall have the right to direct by written notice the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred on the Trustee, with respect to the Securities of such series by this Indenture; provided that such direction shall not be otherwise than in accordance with law and the provisions of this Indenture and provided further that (subject to the provisions of <u>Section 6.1</u>) the Trustee shall have the right to decline to follow any such direction; the executive committee, or a trust committee of directors or Responsible Officers of the Trustee shall determine that the action or proceedings so directed may not lawfully be taken or if the Trustee in good faith shall so determine that the actions or forbearances specified in or pursuant to such direction would be unduly prejudicial to the interests of Holders of the Securities of all series so affected not joining in the giving of said direction, it being understood that (subject to <u>Section 6.1</u>) the Trustee shall have no duty to ascertain whether or not such actions or forbearances are unduly prejudicial to such Holders.

Nothing in this Indenture shall impair the right of the Trustee in its discretion to take any action deemed proper by the Trustee and which is not inconsistent with such direction or directions by Securityholders.

SECTION 5.10 <u>Waiver of Past Defaults</u>. Prior to the declaration of the acceleration of the maturity of the Securities of any series as provided in <u>Section 5.1</u>, the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of such series at the time Outstanding may on behalf of the Holders of all the Securities of such series waive any past default or Event of Default described in <u>Section 5.1</u> and its consequences except a default in respect of a covenant or provision hereof which under Article Eight cannot be modified or amended without the consent of the Holder of each Outstanding Security affected. In the case of any such waiver, the Issuer, the Trustee and the Holders of the Securities of such series shall be restored to their former positions and rights hereunder, respectively; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or impair any right consequent thereon.

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The Issuer may, but shall not be obligated to, fix a record date for the purpose of determining the Persons entitled to waive any past default hereunder. If a record date is fixed, then the Holders on such record date, or their duly designated proxies, and only such Persons, shall be entitled to waive any default hereunder, whether or not such Holders remain Holders after such record date; provided, however, that unless such majority in principal amount shall have waived such default prior to the date that is the ninetieth (90th) day after such record date, any such waiver previously given shall automatically and without further action by any Holder be cancelled and of no further effect.

Upon any such waiver, such default shall cease to exist and be deemed to have been cured and not to have occurred, and any Event of Default arising therefrom shall be deemed to have been cured, and not to have occurred for every purpose of this Indenture; but no such waiver shall extend to any subsequent or other default or Event of Default or impair any right consequent thereon.

SECTION 5.11 <u>Trustee to Give Notice of Default, But May Withhold in Certain Circumstances</u> The Trustee shall, within 90 days after the occurrence of a default known to the Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series, provide notice to the Holders of the then-Outstanding Securities of such series by mailing such notice to such Holders at their addresses as they shall appear in the Security Register, unless such defaults shall have been cured before the giving of such notice (the term "default" or "defaults" for the purposes of this Section being hereby defined to mean any event or condition which is, or with notice or lapse of time or both would become, an Event of Default); provided that, except in the case of default in the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security of such series or in the payment of any sinking fund installment with respect to Securities of such series, the Trustee shall be protected in withholding such notice if and so long as the board of directors, the executive committee, or a trust committee of directors or trustees and/or Responsible Officers of the Trustee in good faith determines that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the Securityholders of such series; provided, further, that in the case of any default of the character specified in clause (d) of <u>Section 5.1</u>, no such notice to Holders shall be given until at least 30 days after the occurrence thereof.

SECTION 5.12 <u>Right of Court to Require Filing of Undertaking to Pay Costs</u> The parties to this Indenture agree, and each Holder of any Security by his acceptance thereof shall be deemed to have agreed, that any court may in its discretion require, in any suit for the enforcement of any right or remedy under this Indenture or in any suit against the Trustee for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it as Trustee, the filing by any party litigant in such suit of an undertaking to pay the costs of such suit, and that such court may in its discretion assess reasonable costs, including reasonable attorneys' fees, against any party litigant in such suit, having due regard to the merits and good faith of the claims or defenses made by such party litigant; but the provisions of this Section shall not apply to any suit instituted by the Trustee, to any suit instituted by any Securityholders of any series holding in the aggregate more than 10% in aggregate principal amount of the Securities Outstanding of such series, or to any suit instituted by any Securityholder for the enforcement of the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security on or after the due date expressed in such Security.

# ARTICLE SIX

### CONCERNING THE TRUSTEE

SECTION 6.1 Duties and Responsibilities of the Trustee; During Default; Prior to Default. With respect to the Holders of any series of Securities issued hereunder, the Trustee, prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of a particular series and after the curing or waiving of all Events of Default which may have occurred with respect to such series, undertakes to perform such duties and only such duties as are specifically set forth in this Indenture. In case an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of a series has occurred (which has not been cured or waived) the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it by this Indenture, and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise, as a prudent person would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.

No provision of this Indenture shall be construed to relieve the Trustee from liability for its own negligent action, its own negligent failure to act or its own willful misconduct, except that

(a) prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default with respect to the Securities of any series and after the curing or waiving of all such Events of Default with respect to such series which may have occurred:

(i) the duties and obligations of the Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series shall be determined solely by the express provisions of this Indenture, and the Trustee shall not be liable except for the performance of such duties and obligations as are specifically set forth in this Indenture, and no implied covenants or obligations shall be read into this Indenture against the Trustee; and

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(ii) in the absence of bad faith on the part of the Trustee, the Trustee may conclusively rely, as to the truth of the statements and the correctness of the opinions expressed therein, upon any statements, certificates or opinions furnished to the Trustee and conforming to the requirements of this Indenture; but in the case of any such statements, certificates, or opinions which by any provision hereof are specifically required to be furnished to the Trustee, the Trustee shall be under a duty to examine the same to determine whether or not they conform to the requirements of this Indenture;

(b) the Trustee shall not be liable for any error of judgment made in good faith by a Responsible Officer or Responsible Officers of the Trustee, unless it shall be proved that the Trustee was negligent in ascertaining the pertinent facts; and

(c) the Trustee shall not be liable with respect to any action taken or omitted to be taken by it in good faith in accordance with the direction of the Holders pursuant to <u>Section 5.9</u> relating to the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the Trustee, or exercising any trust or power conferred upon the Trustee, under this Indenture.

None of the provisions contained in this Indenture shall require the Trustee to expend or risk its own funds or otherwise incur personal financial liability in the performance of any of its duties or in the exercise of any of its rights or powers, if there shall be reasonable ground for believing that the repayment of such funds or adequate indemnity against such liability is not reasonably assured to it.

SECTION 6.2 Certain Rights of the Trustee. In furtherance of and subject to the Trust Indenture Act, and subject to Section 6.1:

(a) the Trustee may rely and shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting upon any resolution, Officers' Certificate or any other certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, bond, debenture, note, coupon, security or other paper or document reasonably believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or presented by the proper party or parties;

(b) any request, direction, order or demand of the Issuer mentioned herein shall be sufficiently evidenced by an Issuer Request or Issuer Order or as otherwise expressly provided herein, and any resolution of the Board of Directors may be sufficiently evidenced by a Board Resolution;

(c) whenever in the administration of this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking, suffering or omitting any action hereunder, the Trustee (unless other evidence be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of bad faith on its part, conclusively rely upon an Officers' Certificate;

(d) the Trustee may consult with counsel and any advice or Opinion of Counsel shall be full and complete authorization and protection in respect of any action reasonably taken, suffered or omitted to be taken by it hereunder in good faith and in accordance with such advice or Opinion of Counsel;

(e) the Trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the trusts, rights or powers vested in it by this Indenture at the request, order or direction of any of the Securityholders pursuant to the provisions of this Indenture, unless such Securityholders shall have offered to the Trustee security or indemnity reasonably satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses, and liabilities which might be incurred therein or thereby;

(f) the Trustee shall not be liable for any action taken or omitted by it in good faith and believed by it to be authorized or within the discretion, rights, or powers conferred upon it by this Indenture;

(g) prior to the occurrence of an Event of Default hereunder and after the curing or waiving of all Events of Default, the Trustee shall not be bound to make any investigation into the facts or matters stated in any resolution, certificate, statement, instrument, opinion, report, notice, request, consent, order, approval, appraisal, bond, debenture, note, coupon, security, or other paper or document unless requested in writing so to do by the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of all series then Outstanding; provided that, if the payment within a reasonable time to the Trustee of the costs, expenses or liabilities likely to be incurred by it in the making of such investigation is, in the opinion of the Trustee, not reasonably assured to the Trustee by the security afforded to it by the terms of this Indenture, the Trustee may require reasonable indemnity against such expenses or liabilities as a condition to proceeding; the reasonable expenses of every such investigation shall be paid by the Issuer or, if paid by the Trustee or any predecessor Trustee, shall be repaid by the Issuer upon demand;

(h) the Trustee may execute any of the trusts or powers hereunder or perform any duties hereunder either directly or by or through agents or attorneys not regularly in its employ and the Trustee shall not be responsible for any misconduct or negligence on the part of any such agent or attorney appointed with due care by it hereunder; and

(i) the Trustee shall not be required to take notice or be deemed to have notice or knowledge of any default or Event of Default unless a Responsible Officer of the Trustee shall have received written notice from the Company or any Holder of the Securities or obtained actual knowledge thereof. In the absence of receipt of such notice or actual knowledge, the Trustee may conclusively assume that there is no default or Event of Default.

(j) Anything in the Indenture to the contrary notwithstanding, in no event shall the Trustee be liable for special, indirect, or consequential loss or damage of any kind whatsoever (including but not limited to lost profits).

SECTION 6.3 <u>Trustee Not Responsible for Recitals</u>, <u>Disposition of Securities or Application of Proceeds Thereof</u> The recitals contained herein and in the Securities, except the Trustee's certificates of authentication, shall be taken as the statements of the Issuer, and the Trustee assumes no responsibility for the correctness of the same. The Trustee makes no representation as to the validity or sufficiency of this Indenture or of the Securities. The Trustee shall not be accountable for the use or application by the Issuer of any of the Securities or of the proceeds thereof.

SECTION 6.4 <u>Trustee and Agents May Hold Securities</u>; <u>Collections, etc.</u> The Trustee or any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee, in its individual or any other capacity, may become the owner or pledgee of Securities with the same rights it would have if it were not the Trustee or such agent and, subject to <u>Section 6.8</u>, if operative, may otherwise deal with the Issuer and receive, collect, hold and retain collections from the Issuer with the same rights it would have if it were not the Trustee or such agent.

SECTION 6.5 Moneys Held by Trustee. Subject to the provisions of Section 10.4 hereof, all moneys received by the Trustee shall, until used or applied as herein provided, be held in trust for the purposes for which they were received, but need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by mandatory provisions of law. Neither the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee shall be under any liability for interest on any moneys received by it hereunder.

SECTION 6.6 <u>Compensation and Indemnification of Trustee and Its Prior Claim</u>. The Issuer covenants and agrees to pay to the Trustee from time to time, and the Trustee shall be entitled to, reasonable compensation for all services rendered by it hereunder (which compensation shall not be limited by any provision of law in regard to the compensation of a trustee of an express trust), and the Issuer covenants and agrees to pay or reimburse the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee upon its request for all reasonable expenses, disbursements and advances incurred or made by or on behalf of it in accordance with any of the provisions of this Indenture (including the reasonable compensation and the expenses and disbursements of its counsel and of all agents and other persons not regularly in its employ) except any such expense, disbursement or advance as may arise from its negligence or bad faith. The Issuer also covenants to indemnify the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee for, and to hold it harmless against, any loss, liability or expense incurred without negligence or bad faith on its part, arising out of or in connection with the acceptance or administration of this Indenture or the trusts hereunder this Section to compensate and indemnify the Trustee and each predecessor Trustee and each predecessor Trustee for expenses, disbursements, and advances shall constitute additional indebtedness hereunder and shall survive the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture. Such additional indebtedness shall be a senior claim to that of the Securities upon all property and flunds held or collected by the Trustee as such, except funds held in trust for the benefit of the Holders of particular Securities, and any Securities are hereby subordinated to such senior claim.

SECTION 6.7 <u>Right of Trustee to Rely on Officers</u>' <u>Certificate, etc.</u> Subject to <u>Section 6.1</u> and <u>6.2</u>, whenever in the administration of the trusts of this Indenture the Trustee shall deem it necessary or desirable that a matter be proved or established prior to taking or suffering or omitting any action hereunder, such matter (unless other evidence in respect thereof be herein specifically prescribed) may, in the absence of negligence or bad faith on the part of the Trustee, be deemed to be conclusively proved and established by an Officers' Certificate delivered to the Trustee, and such certificate, in the absence of negligence or bad faith on the part of the Trustee, shall be full warrant to the Trustee for any action taken, suffered or omitted by it under the provisions of this Indenture upon the faith thereof.

SECTION 6.8 <u>Persons Eligible for Appointment as Trustee</u>. The Trustee for each series of Securities hereunder shall at all times be a corporation organized and doing business under the laws of the United States or of any state or the District of Columbia having a combined capital and surplus of at least \$250,000,000, which is authorized under such laws to exercise corporate trust powers and is subject to supervision or examination by federal, state or District of Columbia authority. If such corporation publishes reports of condition at least annually, pursuant to law or to the requirements of the aforesaid supervising or examining authority, then for the purposes of this <u>Section 6.8</u>, the combined capital and surplus of such corporation shall be deemed to be its combined capital and surplus as set forth in its most recent report of condition so published. In case at any time the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of this <u>Section 6.8</u>, the Trustee shall resign immediately in the manner and with the effect specified in <u>Section 6.9</u>.

No obligor upon the Securities or person directly or indirectly controlling, controlled by or under common control with such obligor shall serve as Trustee for any series of Securities.

The Trustee shall comply with Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act.

The provisions of this Section 6.8 are in furtherance of and subject to Section 310(a) of the Trust Indenture Act.

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SECTION 6.9 <u>Resignation and Removal</u>; <u>Appointment of Successor Trustee</u>. (a) The Trustee, or any trustee or trustees hereafter appointed, may at any time resign with respect to one or more or all series of Securities by giving written notice of resignation to the Issuer. Upon receiving such notice of resignation, the Issuer shall promptly appoint a successor trustee or trustees with respect to the applicable series by written instrument in duplicate, executed by authority of the Board of Directors, one copy of which instrument shall be delivered to the resigning Trustee and one copy to the successor trustee or trustees hall have been so appointed with respect to any series and have accepted appointment within 30 days after the mailing of such notice of resignation, the resigning trustee may petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of a successor trustee, or any Securityholder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security or Securities of the applicable series for at least six months may, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 5.12</u>, on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any such court for the appointment of a successor trustee. Such court may thereupon, after such notice, if any, as it may deem proper and prescribe, appoint a successor trustee.

(b) In case at any time any of the following shall occur:

(i) the Trustee shall fail to comply with the provisions of Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act with respect to any series of Securities after written request therefor by the Issuer or by any Securityholder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security or Securities of such series for at least six months; or

(ii) the Trustee shall cease to be eligible in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 6.8</u> and shall fail to resign after written request therefor by the Issuer or by any Securityholder; or

(iii) the Trustee shall become incapable of acting with respect to any series of Securities, or shall be adjudged a bankrupt or insolvent, or a receiver or liquidator of the Trustee or of its property shall be appointed, or any public officer shall take charge or control of the Trustee or of its property or affairs for the purpose of

rehabilitation, conservation or liquidation; then, in any such case, the Issuer may remove the Trustee with respect to the applicable series of Securities and appoint a successor trustee for such series by written instrument, in duplicate, executed by order of the Board of Directors of the Issuer, one copy of which instrument shall be delivered to the Trustee so removed and one copy to the successor trustee, or, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 7.1</u>, any Securityholder who has been a bona fide Holder of a Security or Securities of such series for at least six months may on behalf of himself and all others similarly situated, petition any court of competent jurisdiction for the removal of the Trustee and the appointment of a successor trustee. Such series. Such court may thereupon, after such notice, if any, as it may deem proper and prescribe, remove the Trustee and appoint a successor trustee.

(c) The Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of each series at the time Outstanding may at any time remove the Trustee with respect to securities of such series and appoint a successor trustee with respect to the Securities of such series by delivering to the Trustee so removed, to the successor trustee so appointed and to the Issuer the evidence provided for in Section 7.1 of the action in that regard taken by the Securityholders.

(d) Any resignation or removal of the Trustee with respect to any series and any appointment of a successor trustee with respect to such series pursuant to any of the provisions of this <u>Section 6.9</u> shall become effective upon acceptance of appointment by the successor trustee as provided in <u>Section 6.10</u>.

SECTION 6.10 Acceptance of Appointment by Successor Trustee. Any successor trustee appointed as provided in Section 6.9 shall execute and deliver to the Issuer and to its predecessor trustee an instrument accepting such appointment hereunder, and thereupon the resignation or removal of the predecessor trustee with respect to all or any applicable series shall become effective and such successor trustee, without any further act, deed or conveyance, shall become vested with all rights, powers, duties and obligations with respect to such series of its predecessor hereunder, with like effect as if originally named as trustee for such series hereunder; but, nevertheless, on the written request of the Issuer or of the successor trustee, upon payment of its charges then unpaid, the trustee ceasing to act shall, subject to Section 10.4, pay over to the successor trustee all moneys at the time held by it hereunder and shall execute and deliver an instrument transferring to such successor trustee all such rights, powers, duties and obligations. Upon request of any such successor trustee, the Issuer shall execute any and all instruments in writing for more fully and certainly vesting in and confirming to such successor trustee all such rights and powers. Any trustee ceasing to act shall, nevertheless, retain a prior claim upon all property or funds held or collected by such trustee to secure any amounts then due it pursuant to the provisions of Section 6.6.

If a successor trustee is appointed with respect to the Securities of one or more (but not all) series, the Issuer, the predecessor Trustee and each successor trustee with respect to the Securities of any applicable series shall execute and deliver an indenture supplemental hereto which shall contain such provisions as shall be deemed necessary or desirable to confirm that all the rights, powers, trusts and duties of the predecessor Trustee with respect to the Securities of any series as to which the predecessor Trustee is not retiring shall continue to be vested in the predecessor Trustee, and shall add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one trustee, it being understood that nothing herein or in such supplemental indenture shall constitute such trustees or co-trustees of the same trust and that each such trustee shall be trustee of a trust or trusts under separate indentures.

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No successor trustee with respect to any series of Securities shall accept appointment as provided in this Section 6.10 unless at the time of such acceptance such successor trustee shall be qualified under Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act and eligible under the provisions of Section 6.8.

Upon acceptance of appointment by any successor trustee as provided in this <u>Section 6.10</u>, the Issuer shall mail notice thereof to the Holders of Securities of each series affected by first-class mail to such Holders of Securities of any series for which such successor trustee is acting as trustee at their last addresses as they shall appear in the Security Register. If the Issuer fails to mail such notice within ten days after acceptance of appointment by the successor trustee, the successor trustee shall cause such notice to be mailed at the expense of the Issuer.

SECTION 6.11 <u>Merger, Conversion, Consolidation, or Succession to Business of Trustee</u>. Any corporation into which the Trustee may be merged or converted or with which it may be consolidated, or any corporation resulting from any merger, conversion or consolidation to which the Trustee shall be a party, or any corporation succeeding to all or substantially all of the corporate trust business of the Trustee, shall be the successor of the Trustee hereunder, provided, that such corporation shall be qualified under Section 310(b) of the Trust Indenture Act and eligible under the provisions of <u>Section 6.8</u>, without the execution or filing of any paper or any further act on the part of any of the parties hereto, anything herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

In case at the time such successor to the Trustee shall succeed to the trusts created by this Indenture any of the Securities of any series shall have been authenticated but not delivered, any such successor to the Trustee may adopt the certificate of authentication of any predecessor Trustee and deliver such Securities so authenticated; and, in case at that time any of the Securities of any series shall not have been authenticated, any successor to the Trustee may authenticate such Securities either in the name of any predecessor hereunder or in the name of the successor Trustee; and in all such cases such certificate shall have the full force which it is anywhere in the Securities of such series or in this Indenture provided that the certificate of the Trustee shall have; provided, that the right to adopt the certificate of authentication of any predecessor Trustee or to authenticate Securities of any series in the name of any predecessor Trustee shall apply only to its successors by merger, conversion or consolidation.

SECTION 6.12 Preferential Collection of Claims Against the Issuer. The Trustee shall comply with Section 311(a) of the Trust Indenture Act, excluding any creditor relationship listed in Section 311(b) of the Trust Indenture Act.

Any Trustee who has resigned or been removed shall be subject to Section 311(a) of the Trust Indenture Act to the extent indicated therein.

# ARTICLE SEVEN

### CONCERNING THE SECURITYHOLDERS

SECTION 7.1 Evidence of Action Taken by Securityholders. Any request, demand, authorization, direction, notice, consent, waiver or other action provided by this Indenture to be given or taken by a specified percentage in principal amount of the Securityholders of any or all series may be embodied in and evidenced by one or more instruments of substantially similar tenor signed by such specified percentage of Securityholders in person or by agent duly appointed in writing; and, except as herein otherwise expressly provided, such action shall become effective when such instrument or instruments are delivered to the Trustee and, where it is hereby expressly required, to the Issuer. Proof of execution of any instrument or of a writing appointing any such agent shall be sufficient for any purpose of this Indenture and (subject to Section 6.1 and 6.2) conclusive in favor of the Trustee and the Issuer, if made in the manner provided in this Article.

SECTION 7.2 Proof of Execution of Instruments and of Holding of Securities. Subject to Section 6.1 and 6.2, the execution of any instrument by a Securityholder or his agent or proxy may be proved in the following manner:

The fact and date of the execution by any Holder of any instrument may be proved by the affidavit of a witness of such execution or by a certificate of any notary public or other officer of any jurisdiction authorized to take acknowledgments of deeds or administer oaths that the person executing such instruments acknowledged to him the execution thereof, or by an affidavit of a witness to such execution sworn to before any such notary or other such officer. Where such execution is by or on behalf of any legal entity other than an individual, such certificate or affidavit shall also constitute sufficient proof of the authority of the person executing the same. Subject to Section 6.1 and 6.2, the fact and date of the execution of any such instrument or writing, or the authority of the Person executing the same, may also be proved in any other manner that the Trustee for such series may deem sufficient. The ownership, principal amount, and serial numbers of Securities held by any Person, and the date of the commencement and the date of the termination of holding the same, shall be proved by the Security Register.

SECTION 7.3 Holders to Be Treated as Owners. The Issuer, the Trustee and any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee may deem and treat the person in whose name any Security shall be registered upon the Security Register for such series as the absolute owner of such Security (whether or not such Security shall be overdue and notwithstanding any notation of ownership or other writing thereon) for the purpose of receiving payment of or on account of the principal of and, subject to the provisions of this Indenture, interest on such Security and for all other purposes, and neither the Issuer nor the Trustee nor any agent of the Issuer or the Trustee shall be affected by any notice to the contrary. All such payments so made to any such person, or upon his order, shall be valid and, to the extent of the sum or sums so paid, effectual to satisfy and discharge the liability for moneys payable upon any such Security.

SECTION 7.4 <u>Securities Owned by Issuer Deemed Not Outstanding</u> In determining whether the Holders of the requisite aggregate principal amount of Outstanding Securities of any or all series have concurred in any direction, consent or waiver under this Indenture, Securities which are owned by the Issuer or any other obligor on the Securities with respect to which such determination is being made or by any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Issuer or any other obligor on the Securities with respect to which such determination is being made or by any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Issuer or any other obligor on the Securities with respect to which such determination is being made shall be disregarded and deemed not to be Outstanding for the purpose of any such determination, except that for the purpose of determining whether the Trustee shall be protected in relying on any such direction, consent or waiver only Securities which a Responsible Officer of the Trustee knows are so owned shall be so disregarded. Securities so owned which have been pledged in good faith may be regarded as Outstanding if the pledgee establishes to the satisfaction of the Trustee the pledgee's right so to act with respect to common control with the Issuer or any other obligor upon the Securities or any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Issuer or any other obligor on the Securities of any person directly or indirectly controlling or controlled by or under direct or indirect as on any other obligor on the Securities or any person directly or ontrolled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Issuer or any other obligor upon the Securities or any person directly or ontrolled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Issuer or any other obligor on the Securities. In case of a dispute as

SECTION 7.5 <u>Right of Revocation of Action Taken</u>. At any time prior to (but not after) the evidencing to the Trustee, as provided in<u>Section 7.1</u>, of the taking of any action by the Holders of the percentage in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of any or all series, as the case may be, specified in this Indenture in connection with such action, any Holder of a Security the serial number of which is shown by the evidence to be included among the serial numbers of the Securities the Holders of which have consented to such action may, by filing written notice at the Corporate Trust Office and upon proof of holding as provided in this Article, revoke such action so far as concerns such Security. Except as aforesaid any such action taken by the Holder of any Security shall be conclusive and binding upon such Holder and upon any such security. Any action taken by the Holders of the percentage in aggregate principal amount of the Securities of any or all series, as the case may be, specified in this Indenture in connection with such action shall be conclusively binding upon the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Holders of any or all series, as the case may be, specified in this Indenture in connection with such action shall be conclusively binding upon the Issuer, the Trustee, and the Holders of all the Securities affected by such action.

## ARTICLE EIGHT

### SUPPLEMENTAL INDENTURES

SECTION 8.1 <u>Supplemental Indentures Without Consent of Securityholders</u>. The Issuer, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee may from time to time and at any time enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto (which shall conform to the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act as in force at the date of the execution thereof) for one or more of the following purposes:

(a) to convey, transfer, assign, mortgage or pledge to the Trustee as security for the Securities of one or more series any property or assets;

(b) to evidence the succession of another corporation to the Issuer, or successive successions, and the assumption by the successor corporation of the covenants, agreements and obligations of the Issuer pursuant to Article Nine;

(c) to add to the covenants of the Issuer such further covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions as its Board of Directors and the Trustee shall consider to be for the protection of the Holders of Securities, and to make the occurrence, or the occurrence and continuance, of a default in any such additional covenants, restrictions, conditions or provisions an Event of Default permitting the enforcement of all or any of the several remedies provided in this Indenture as herein set forth; provided, that in respect of any such additional covenant, restriction, condition or provision such supplemental indenture may provide for a particular period of grace after default (which period may be shorter or longer than that allowed in the case of other defaults) or may provide for an immediate enforcement upon such an Event of Default or may limit the right of the Holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Outstanding Securities of such series to waive such an Event of Default;

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(d) to cure any ambiguity or to correct or supplement any provision contained herein or in any supplemental indenture which may be defective or inconsistent with any other provision contained herein or in any supplemental indenture; or to make such other provisions in regard to matters or questions arising under this Indenture or under any supplemental indenture as the Board of Directors may deem necessary or desirable and which shall not adversely affect the interests of the Holders of the Securities;

(e) to provide for the issuance of Securities of any series as permitted by Sections 2.1 and 2.3 hereof and to establish the form and term thereof;

(f) to evidence and provide for the acceptance of appointment hereunder by a successor trustee with respect to the Securities of one or more series and to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture as shall be necessary to provide for or facilitate the administration of the trusts hereunder by more than one trustee, pursuant to the requirements of <u>Section 6.10</u>;

(g) to modify, eliminate or add to the provisions of this Indenture to such extent as shall be necessary to effect and maintain the qualification of this Indenture under the Trust Indenture Act, or under any similar federal statute hereafter enacted, and to add to this Indenture such other provisions and make such other changes to this Indenture as may be expressly permitted by the Trust Indenture Act, or under any similar federal statute hereafter enacted, excluding however, the provisions referred to in Section 316(a) (2) of the Trust Indenture Act or any corresponding provisions in any similar federal statute hereafter enacted;

(h) to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture to such extent as shall be necessary to permit or facilitate the issuance of Securities in bearer form, registrable or not registrable as to principal and with or without interest coupons or to permit or facilitate the issuance of Securities in uncertificated form;

(i) to add any additional Events of Default;

(j) to add to or change any of the provisions of this Indenture with respect to any Securities that by their terms may be converted into securities or other property other than Securities of the same series and of like tenor, in order to permit or facilitate the issuance, payment or conversion of such Securities;

(k) conform any provision in the Indenture to the prospectus, offering memorandum, offering circular or any other document pursuant to which the Securities of such series were offered;

(1) to add a guarantee with respect to the Securities of any series; and

(m) to release a guarantee with respect to the Securities of any series as permitted under this Indenture and any applicable guarantee.

The Trustee is hereby authorized to join with the Issuer in the execution of any such supplemental indenture, to make any further appropriate agreements and stipulations which may be therein contained and to accept the conveyance, transfer, assignment, mortgage or pledge of any property thereunder, but the Trustee shall not be obligated to enter into any such supplemental indenture which affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise.

Any supplemental indenture authorized by the provisions of this Section may be executed without the consent of the Holders of any of the Securities at the time Outstanding, notwithstanding any of the provisions of <u>Section 8.2</u>.

SECTION 8.2 Supplemental Indentures With Consent of Securityholders. With the consent (evidenced as provided in Article Seven) of the Holders of not less than a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Securities at the time Outstanding of all series affected by such supplemental indenture (voting as one class), the Issuer, when authorized by a Board Resolution, and the Trustee may, from time to time and at any time, enter into an indenture or indentures supplemental hereto (which shall conform to the provisions of the Trust Indenture Act as in force at the date of execution thereof) for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of this Indenture or of any supplemental indenture or of modifying in any manner the rights of the Holders of the Securities of each such series; provided, that no such supplemental indenture shall (a) extend the final maturity of any Security, or reduce the principal amount thereof or the method in which amounts of payments of principal or interest thereon are determined, or reduce the rate or extend the time of payment of interest thereon, or change the coin or currency or units based on or related to currencies of payment thereof, or reduce any amount payable on redemption thereof 5.1 or the amount of the provable in bankruptcy pursuant to <u>Section 5.2</u>, or impair or affect the right of any Securityholder to institute suit for the payment thereof or, if the Securities provide therefor, any right of repayment at the option of the Securityholder without the consent of the Holder of each Security so affected, or (b) reduce the aforesaid percentage of Securities of any series, the consent of the Holders of which is required for any such supplemental indenture, without the consent of the Holder of each Security so affected.

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Upon the request of the Issuer, accompanied by a Board Resolution authorizing the execution of any such supplemental indenture, and upon the filing with the Trustee of evidence of the consent of Securityholders as aforesaid and other documents, if any, required by <u>Section 7.1</u>, the Trustee shall join with the Issuer in the execution of such supplemental indenture unless such supplemental indenture affects the Trustee's own rights, duties or immunities under this Indenture or otherwise, in which case the Trustee may in its discretion, but shall not be obligated to, enter into such supplemental indenture.

It shall not be necessary for the consent of the Securityholders under this Section to approve the particular form of any proposed supplemental indenture, but it shall be sufficient if such consent shall approve the substance thereof.

Promptly after the execution by the Issuer and the Trustee of any supplemental indenture pursuant to the provisions of this Section, the Issuer shall mail a notice thereof by first class mail to the Holders of then Outstanding Securities of each series affected thereby at their addresses as they shall appear on the Security Register. Any failure of the Issuer to mail such notice, or any defect therein, shall not, however, in any way impair or affect the validity of any such supplemental indenture.

SECTION 8.3 Effect of Supplemental Indenture. Upon the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to the provisions hereof, this Indenture shall be and be deemed to be modified and amended in accordance therewith and the respective rights, limitations of rights, obligations, duties and immunities under this Indenture of the Trustee, the Issuer and the Holders of Securities of each series affected thereby shall thereafter be determined, exercised and enforced hereunder subject in all respects to such modifications and amendments, and all the terms and conditions of any such supplemental indenture shall be and be deemed to be part of the terms and conditions of this Indenture for any and all purposes.

SECTION 8.4 Documents to Be Given to Trustee. The Trustee, subject to the provisions of Section 6.1 and 6.2, may receive an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel as conclusive evidence that any supplemental indenture executed pursuant to this Article Eight complies with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

SECTION 8.5 Notation on Securities in Respect of Supplemental Indentures Securities of any series authenticated and delivered after the execution of any supplemental indenture pursuant to the provisions of this Article may bear a notation in form approved by the Trustee for such series as to any matter provided for by such supplemental indenture or as to any action taken at any such meeting. If the Issuer or the Trustee shall so determine, new Securities of any series so modified as to conform, in the opinion of the Trustee and the Board of Directors, to any modification of this Indenture contained in any such supplemental indenture may be prepared by the Issuer, authenticated by the Trustee and delivered in exchange for the Securities of such series then Outstanding.

## ARTICLE NINE

## CONSOLIDATION, MERGER, SALE OR CONVEYANCE

SECTION 9.1 Issuer May Consolidate, etc., on Certain Terms The Issuer covenants that it will not merge or consolidate with any other corporation or sell or convey all or substantially all of its assets to any Person, unless (i) either the Issuer shall be the continuing corporation, or the successor corporation or the Person which acquires by sale or conveyance of substantially all the assets of the Issuer (if other than the Issuer) shall be a corporation organized under the laws of the United States or any state thereof and shall expressly assume the due and punctual payment of the principal of and interest on all the Securities, according to their tenor, and the due and punctual performance and observance of all of the covenants and conditions of this Indenture to be performed or observed by the Issuer, by supplemental indenture satisfactory to the Trustee, executed and delivered to the Trustee by such corporation, and (ii) the Issuer or such successor corporation, as the case may be, shall not, immediately after such merger or consolidation, or such sale or conveyance, be in default in the performance of any such covenant or condition.

SECTION 9.2 Successor Corporation Substituted. In case of any such consolidation, merger, sale or conveyance, and following such an assumption by the successor corporation, such successor corporation shall succeed to and be substituted for the Issuer, with the same effect as if it had been named herein. Such successor corporation may cause to be signed, and may issue either in its own name or in the name of the Issuer prior to such succession any or all of the Securities issuable hereunder which theretofore shall not have been signed by the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee; and, upon the order of such successor corporation instead of the Issuer and subject to all the terms, conditions and limitations in this Indenture prescribed, the Trustee; which such successor corporation thereafter shall have been signed and delivered by the officers of the Issuer to the Trustee for authentication, and any Securities, which such successor corporation thereafter shall cause to be signed and delivered to the Trustee for that purpose. All of the Securities so issued shall in all respects have the same legal rank and benefit under this Indenture as the Securities theretofore or thereafter issued in accordance with the terms of this Indenture as though all of such Securities had been issued at the date of the execution hereof.

In case of any such consolidation, merger, sale, lease, or conveyance, such changes in phraseology and form (but not in substance) may be made in the Securities thereafter to be issued as may be appropriate.

In the event of any such sale or conveyance (other than a conveyance by way of lease), the Issuer or any successor corporation which shall theretofore have become such in the manner described in this Article shall be discharged from all obligations and covenants under this Indenture and the Securities and may be liquidated and dissolved.

SECTION 9.3 <u>Opinion of Counsel to Trustee</u>. The Trustee, subject to the provisions of <u>Section 6.1</u> and <u>6.2</u>, may receive an Opinion of Counsel, prepared in accordance with <u>Section 11.5</u>, as conclusive evidence that any such consolidation, merger, sale, lease or conveyance, and any such assumption, and any such liquidation or dissolution, complies with the applicable provisions of this Indenture.

### ARTICLE TEN

### SATISFACTION AND DISCHARGE OF INDENTURE; UNCLAIMED MONEYS

SECTION 10.1 Satisfaction and Discharge of Indenture. (A) If at any time (a) the Issuer shall have paid or caused to be paid the principal of and interest on all the Securities of any series Outstanding hereunder (other than Securities which have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.9 ) as and when the same shall have become due and payable, (b) the Issuer shall have delivered to the Trustee for cancellation all Securities of any series theretofore authenticated (other than any Securities of such series which shall have been destroyed, lost or stolen and which shall have been replaced or paid as provided in Section 2.9) or (c)(i) all the Securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation shall have become due and payable, or are by their terms to become due and payable within one year or are to be or may be called for redemption within one year under arrangements satisfactory to the Trustee for the giving of notice of redemption, and (ii) the Issuer shall have irrevocably deposited or caused to be deposited with the Trustee as trust funds the entire amount in cash (other than moneys repaid by the Trustee or any paying agent to the Issuer in accordance with Section 10.4) or U.S. Government Obligations, maturing as to principal and interest in such amounts and at such times as will insure the availability of cash (without consideration of any reinvestment of such principal or interest), or a combination of U.S. Government Obligations and cash sufficient to pay at maturity or upon redemption all Securities of such series not theretofore delivered to the Trustee for cancellation, including principal and interest due or to become due to such date of maturity as the case may be, and if, in any such case, the Issuer shall also pay or cause to be paid all other sums payable hereunder by the Issuer with respect to Securities of such series, then this Indenture shall cease to be of further effect with respect to Securities of such series (except as to (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange, and the Issuer's right of optional redemption, (ii) substitution of mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities, (iii) rights of Holders of Securities to receive payments of principal thereof and interest thereon, upon the original stated due dates therefor (but not upon acceleration) and remaining rights of the Holders to receive mandatory sinking fund payments, if any, (iv) the rights, obligations, duties and immunities of the Trustee hereunder, including those under Section 6.6. (v) the rights of the Securityholders of such series as beneficiaries hereof with respect to the property so deposited with the Trustee payable to all or any of them, and (vi) the obligations of the Issuer under Section 3.2, and the Trustee, on demand of the Issuer accompanied by an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel and at the cost and expense of the Issuer, shall execute proper instruments acknowledging such satisfaction of and discharging this Indenture with respect to such series; provided, that the rights of Holders of the Securities to receive amounts in respect of principal of and interest on the Securities held by them shall not be delayed longer than required by then-applicable mandatory rules or policies of any securities exchange upon which the Securities are listed. The Issuer agrees to reimburse the Trustee for any costs or expenses thereafter reasonably and properly incurred and to compensate the Trustee for any services thereafter reasonably and properly rendered by the Trustee in connection with this Indenture or the Securities of such series.

(B) The following provisions shall apply to the Securities of each series unless specifically otherwise provided in a Board Resolution, Officers' Certificate or indenture supplemental hereto provided pursuant to <u>Section 2.3</u>. In addition to discharge of the Indenture pursuant to the next preceding paragraph, the Issuer shall be deemed to have paid and discharged the entire indebtedness on all the Securities of a series on the 121st day after the date of the deposit referred to in subparagraph (a) below, and the provisions of this Indenture with respect to the Securities of such series shall no longer be in effect (except as to (i) rights of registration of transfer and exchange of Securities of such series, (ii) substitution of mutilated, defaced, destroyed, lost or stolen Securities, (iii) rights of Holders of Securities to receive, from the trust fund described in subparagraph (a) below, payments of principal thereof and interest thereon, upon the original stated due dates therefor (but not upon acceleration) and remaining rights of the Holders to receive sinking fund payments, if any, (iv) the rights, obligation, duties and immunities of the Trustee hereunder, including those under <u>Section 6.6</u>, (v) the rights of the Issuer shall at the Issuer's request execute proper instruments acknowledging the same, if

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(a) with reference to this <u>Section 10.1(B)</u> the Issuer has irrevocably deposited or caused to be irrevocably deposited with the Trustee as trust funds in trust, specifically pledged as security for, and dedicated solely to, the benefit of the Holders of the Securities of such series (i) cash, (ii) U.S. Government Obligations, maturing as to principal and interest at such times and in such amounts as will insure the availability of cash, or (iii) a combination thereof, in an amount sufficient, in the opinion of a nationally recognized firm of independent public accountants expressed in a written certification thereof delivered to the Trustee, to pay (x) the principal and interest on all Securities of such series on the date that such principal or interest is due and payable and (y) any mandatory sinking fund payments on the day on which such payments are due and payable in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and the Securities of such series;

(b) such deposit will not result in a breach or violation of, or constitute a default under, any agreement or instrument to which the Issuer is a party or by which it is bound;

(c) the Issuer has delivered to the Trustee an opinion of independent legal counsel satisfactory to the Trustee to the effect that Holders of the Securities of such series will not recognize income, gain or loss for federal income tax purposes as a result of such deposit, defeasance and discharge and will be subject to federal income tax on the same amount and in the same manner and at the same times, as would have been the case if such deposit, defeasance and discharge had not occurred; and

(d) the Issuer has delivered to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate and an Opinion of Counsel, each stating that all conditions precedent provided for relating to the defeasance contemplated by this provision have been complied with, and the Opinion of Counsel shall also state that such deposit does not violate applicable law.

SECTION 10.2 <u>Application by Trustee of Funds Deposited for Payment of Securities</u> Subject to <u>Section 10.4</u>, all moneys deposited with the Trustee pursuant to <u>Section 10.1</u> shall be held in trust and applied by it to the payment, either directly or through any paying agent (including the Issuer acting as its own paying agent), to the Holders of the particular Securities of such series for the payment or redemption of which such moneys have been deposited with the Trustee, of all sums due and to become due thereon for principal and interest; but such money need not be segregated from other funds except to the extent required by law.

SECTION 10.3 <u>Repayment of Moneys Held by Paying Agent</u> In connection with the satisfaction and discharge of this Indenture with respect to Securities of any series, all moneys then held by any paying agent under the provisions of this Indenture with respect to such series of Securities shall, upon demand of the Issuer, be repaid to it or paid to the Trustee and thereupon such paying agent shall be released from all further liability with respect to such moneys.

SECTION 10.4 <u>Return of Moneys Held by Trustee and Paying Agent Unclaimed for Two Years</u>. Any moneys deposited with or paid to the Trustee or any paying agent for the payment of the principal of or interest on any Security of any series and not applied but remaining unclaimed for two years after the date upon which such principal or interest shall have become due and payable, shall, upon the written request of the Issuer and unless otherwise required by mandatory provisions of applicable escheat or abandoned or unclaimed property law, be repaid to the Issuer by the Trustee for such series or such paying agent, and the Holder of the Security of such series shall, unless otherwise required by mandatory provisions of applicable escheat or abandoned or unclaimed property laws, thereafter look only to the Issuer for any payment which such

Holder may be entitled to collect, and all liability of the Trustee or any paying agent with respect to such moneys shall thereupon cease; provided, the Trustee or such paying agent, before being required to make any such repayment with respect to moneys deposited with it for any payment, may at the expense of the Issuer mail by first-class mail to Holders of such Securities at their addresses as they shall appear on the Security Register notice that such moneys remain and that, after a date specified therein, which shall not be less than thirty days from the date of such mailing, any unclaimed balance of such money then remaining will be repaid to the Issuer.

SECTION 10.5 <u>Indemnity for U.S. Government Obligations</u>. The Issuer shall pay and indemnify the Trustee against any tax, fee or other charge imposed on or assessed against the U.S. Government Obligations deposited pursuant to <u>Section 10.1</u> or the principal or interest received in respect of such obligations.

# ARTICLE ELEVEN

## MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

SECTION 11.1 Incorporators, Stockholders, Officers, and Directors of Issuer Exempt from Individual Liability No recourse under or upon any obligation, covenant or agreement contained in this Indenture, or in any Security, or because of any indebtedness evidenced thereby, shall be had against any incorporator, as such or against any past, present or future stockholder, officer, or director, as such, of the Issuer or of any successor, either directly or through the Issuer or any successor, under any rule of law, statute or constitutional provision or by the enforcement of any assessment or by any legal or equitable proceeding or otherwise, all such liability being expressly waived and released by the acceptance of the Securities by the Holders thereof and as part of the consideration for the issue of the Securities.

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SECTION 11.2 <u>Provisions of Indenture for the Sole Benefit of Parties and Securityholders</u> Nothing in this Indenture or in the Securities, expressed or implied, shall give or be construed to give to any person, firm or corporation, other than the parties hereto and their successors and the Holders of the Securities, any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under this Indenture or under any covenant or provision herein contained, all such covenants and provisions being for the sole benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and of the Holders of the Securities.

SECTION 11.3 Successors and Assigns of Issuer Bound by Indenture. All the covenants, stipulations, promises and agreements in this Indenture contained by or in behalf of the Issuer shall bind its successors and assigns, whether so expressed or not.

SECTION 11.4 <u>Notices and Demands on Issuer, Trustee, and Securityholders</u>. Any notice or demand which by any provision of this Indenture is required or permitted to be given or served by the Trustee or by the Holders of Securities to or on the Issuer may be given or served by being deposited postage prepaid, first-class mail (except as otherwise specifically provided herein) addressed (until another address of the Issuer is filed by the Issuer with the Trustee) to LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED, 325 E. Warm Springs Road, Suite 102, Las Vegas, Nevada 89119, Attn: Chief Executive Officer. Any notice, direction, request, or demand by the Issuer or any Securityholder to or upon the Trustee shall be deemed to have been sufficiently given or made, for all purposes, if given or made at the Corporate Trust Office.

Where this Indenture provides for notice to Holders, such notice shall be sufficiently given (unless otherwise herein expressly provided) if in writing and mailed, first-class postage prepaid, to each Holder entitled thereto, at his last address as it appears in the Security Register or as so filed. Any notice which is mailed in the manner herein provided shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given when mailed, whether or not the Holder receives the notice. In any case where notice to Holders is given by mail, neither the failure to mail such notice, nor any defect in any notice so mailed, to any particular Holder shall affect the sufficiency of such notice with respect to other Holders. Where this Indenture provides for notice in any manner, such notice may be waived in writing by the person entitled to receive such notice, either before or after the event, and such waiver shall be the equivalent of such notice. Waivers of notice by Holders shall be filed with the Trustee, but such filing shall not be a condition precedent to the validity of any action taken in reliance upon such waiver.

In case, by reason of the suspension of or irregularities in regular mail service, it shall be impracticable to mail notice to the Issuer and Securityholders when such notice is required to be given pursuant to any provision of this Indenture, then any manner of giving such notice as shall be satisfactory to the Trustee shall be deemed to be a sufficient giving of such notice.

SECTION 11.5 Officers' Certificates and Opinions of Counsel; Statements to Be Contained Therein Upon any application or demand by the Issuer to the Trustee to take any action under any of the provisions of this Indenture, the Issuer shall furnish to the Trustee an Officers' Certificate stating that all conditions precedent provided for in this Indenture relating to the proposed action have been complied with and an Opinion of Counsel stating that in the opinion of such counsel all such conditions precedent have been complied with, except that in the case of any such application or demand as to which the furnishing of such documents is specifically required by any provision of this Indenture relating to such particular application or demand, no additional certificate or opinion need be furnished.

Each certificate or opinion provided for in this Indenture and delivered to the Trustee with respect to compliance with a condition or covenant provided for in this Indenture shall include (a) a statement that the person making such certificate or opinion has read such covenant or condition, (b) a brief statement as to the nature and scope of the examination or investigation upon which the statements or opinions contained in such certificate or opinion are based, (c) a statement that, in the opinion of such person, he has made such examination or investigation as is necessary to enable him to express an informed opinion as to whether or not such covenant or condition has been complied with and (d) a statement as to whether or not, in the opinion of such person, such condition or covenant has been complied with.

Any certificate, statement or opinion of an officer of the Issuer may be based, insofar as it relates to legal matters, upon a certificate or opinion of or representations by counsel, unless such officer knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate, statement or opinion may be based as aforesaid are erroneous or in the exercise of reasonable care should know that the same are erroneous. Any certificate, statement or opinion of or representations by an officer or officers of the Issuer, unless such counsel knows that the certificate, statement or opinion of or representations by an officer or officers of the Issuer, unless such counsel knows that the certificate, statement or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate, statement or opinion or representations with respect to the matters upon which his certificate, statement or opinion or opinion may be based as aforesaid are erroneous or in the exercise of reasonable care should know that the same are erroneous.

Any certificate, statement or opinion of an officer of the Issuer or of counsel may be based, insofar as it relates to accounting matters, upon a certificate or opinion of or representations by an accountant or firm of accountants in the employ of the Issuer, unless such officer or counsel, as the case may be, knows that the certificate or opinion or representations with respect to the accounting matters upon which his certificate, statement or opinion may be based as aforesaid are erroneous or in the exercise of reasonable care should know that the same are erroneous.

Any certificate or opinion of any independent firm of public accountants filed with the Trustee shall contain a statement that such firm is independent.

SECTION 11.6 <u>Payments Due on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays</u>. If the date of maturity of interest on or principal of the Securities of any series or the date fixed for redemption or repayment of any such Security shall not be a Business Day, then payment of interest or principal need not be made on such date, but may be made on the next succeeding Business Day with the same force and effect as if made on the date of maturity or the date fixed for redemption, and no interest shall accrue for the period after such

SECTION 11.7 Conflict of Any Provision of Indenture with Trust Indenture Act. If and to the extent that any provision of this Indenture limits, qualifies or conflicts with another provision included in this Indenture which is required to be included herein by any of Sections 310 to 317, inclusive, of the Trust Indenture Act, such required provision shall control.

SECTION 11.8 <u>New York Law to Govern</u>. This Indenture and each Security shall be deemed to be a contract under the laws of the State of New York, and for all purposes shall be construed in accordance with the laws of such State, except as may otherwise be required by mandatory provisions of law.

SECTION 11.9 Counterparts. This Indenture may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which so executed shall be deemed to be an original; but such counterparts shall together constitute but one and the same instrument.

SECTION 11.10 Effect of Headings. The article and section headings herein and the table of contents are for convenience only and shall not affect the construction hereof.

SECTION 11.11 Securities in Foreign Currencies Whenever this Indenture provides for any action by, or the determination of any of the rights of, or any distribution to, Holders of Securities denominated in Dollars and in any other currency or currency unit, in the absence of any provision to the contrary in the form of Security of any particular series, any amount in respect of any Security denominated in a currency or currency unit other than Dollars shall be treated for any such action or distribution as that amount of Dollars that could be obtained for such amount on such reasonable basis of exchange and as of such date as the Issuer may reasonably specify in a written notice to the Trustee or, in the absence of such written notice, as the Trustee shall so determine.

SECTION 11.12 Separability Clause. In case any provision in this Indenture or in the Securities shall be invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the validity, legality, and enforceability of the remaining provisions shall not in any way be affected or impaired thereby.

SECTION 11.13 <u>Patriot Act</u>. The Issuer acknowledges that in accordance with Section 326 of the USA PATRIOT Act, the Trustee, like all financial institutions and in order to help fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering, is required to obtain, verify, and record information that identifies each person or legal entity that establishes a relationship or opens an account with the Trustee. The Issuer agrees that it will provide the Trustee with such information as it may reasonably request in order for the Trustee to satisfy the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act.

SECTION 11.14 <u>Waiver of Jury Trial</u>. THE PARTIES HEREBY IRREVOCABLY WAIVE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY AND ALL RIGHT TO TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS INDENTURE OR THE SECURITIES.

# ARTICLE TWELVE

### REDEMPTION OF SECURITIES AND SINKING FUNDS

SECTION 12.1 <u>Applicability of Article</u>. The provisions of this Article shall be applicable to the Securities of any series that are redeemable before their maturity or to any sinking fund for the retirement of Securities of a series except as otherwise specified as contemplated by <u>Section 2.3</u> for Securities of such series.

SECTION 12.2 <u>Notice of Redemption</u>; <u>Partial Redemptions</u>. Notice of redemption to the Holders of Securities of any series to be redeemed as a whole or in part at the option of the Issuer shall be given by mailing notice of such redemption by first class mail, postage prepaid at least 30 days and not more than 60 days prior to the date fixed for redemption to such Holders of Securities of such series at their last addresses as they shall appear upon the Security Register. Any notice which is mailed in the manner herein provided shall be conclusively presumed to have been duly given, whether or not the Holder receives the notice. Failure to give notice by mail, or any defect in the notice to the Holder of any Security of a series designated for redemption, as a whole or in part, shall not affect the validity of the proceedings for the redemption of any other Security of such series.

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The notice of redemption to each such Holder shall specify the principal amount of each Security of such series held by such Holder to be redeemed, the date fixed for redemption, the redemption price, the place or places of payment, that payment will be made upon presentation and surrender of such Securities, that such redemption is pursuant to the mandatory or optional sinking fund, or both, if such be the case, that interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption will be paid as specified in such notice and that on and after said date interest thereon or on the portions thereof to be redeemed will cease to accrue. In case any Security of a series is to be redeemed in part only, the notice of redemption shall state the portion of the principal amount thereof to be redeemed and shall state that on and after the date fixed for redemption, upon surrender of such Security, a new Security or Securities of such series in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion thereof will be issued.

The notice of redemption of Securities of any series to be redeemed at the option of the Issuer shall be given by the Issuer or, at the Issuer's request, by the Trustee in the name and at the expense of the Issuer, provided the Issuer has provided the notice to the Trustee at least five (5) Business Days prior to the date by which such notice must be sent to the Holders (or such shorter time period as the Trustee shall accept).

No later than 11:00 a.m. New York City time, on the redemption date specified in the notice of redemption given as provided in this Section, the Issuer will deposit with the Trustee or with one or more paying agents (or, if the Issuer is acting as its own paying agent, set aside, segregate and hold in trust as provided in <u>Section 3.4</u>) an amount of money sufficient to redeem on the redemption date all the Securities of such series so called for redemption at the appropriate redemption price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. If any or all of the outstanding Securities of a series are to be redeemed, the Issuer will deliver to the Trustee at least 35 days prior to the date fixed for redemption an Officers' Certificate stating the date of redemption and the aggregate principal amount of Securities to be redeemed.

If less than all the Securities of a series are to be redeemed, the Trustee shall select, in such manner as it shall deem appropriate and fair, Securities of such series to be redeemed in whole or in part. Securities may be redeemed in part in multiples equal to the minimum authorized denomination for Securities of such series or any integral multiple thereof (in accordance with the applicable procedure of the Depository in the case of any Global Security). The Trustee shall promptly notify the Issuer in writing of the Securities of such series selected for redeemption and, in the case of any Securities of such series selected for partial redemption, the principal amount thereof to be redeemed. For all purposes of this Indenture, unless the context otherwise requires, all provisions relating to the redeemption of Securities of any series shall relate, in the case of any Security redeemed or to be redeemed only in part, to the portion of the principal amount of such Security which has been or is to be redeemed.

SECTION 12.3 Payment of Securities Called for Redemption. If notice of redemption has been given as above provided, the Securities or portions of Securities specified in such notice shall become due and payable on the date and at the place stated in such notice at the applicable redemption price, together with interest accrued to the date fixed for redemption, and on and after said date (unless the Issuer shall default in the payment of such Securities at the redemption price, together with interest accrued to said date) interest on the Securities or portions of Securities so called for redemption shall cease to accrue and such Securities shall cease from and after the date fixed for redemption to be entitled to any benefit or security under this Indenture, and the Holders thereof shall have no right in respect of such Securities except the right to receive the redemption price thereof and unpaid interest to the date fixed for redemption. On presentation and surrender of such Securities at a place of payment specified in said notice, said Securities or the specified portions thereof shall be paid and redeemed by the Issuer at the applicable redemption price, together with interest accrued thereon to the date fixed for redemption; provided that any semiannual payment of interest becoming due on the date fixed for redemption shall be payable to the Holders of such Securities registered as such on the relevant record date subject to the terms and provisions of <u>Section 2.4</u> hereof.

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If any Security called for redemption shall not be so paid upon surrender thereof for redemption, the principal shall, until paid or duly provided for, bear interest from the date fixed for redemption at the rate of interest or Yield to Maturity (in the case of an Original Issue Discount Security) borne by the Security.

Upon presentation of any Security redeemed in part only, the Issuer shall execute and the Trustee shall authenticate and deliver to or on the order of the Holder thereof, at the expense of the Issuer, a new Security or Securities of such series of authorized denominations, in principal amount equal to the unredeemed portion of the Security so presented.

SECTION 12.4 <u>Exclusion of Certain Securities from Eligibility for Selection for Redemption</u> Securities shall be excluded from eligibility for selection for redemption if they are identified by registration and certificate number in a written statement signed by an authorized officer of the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee at least 40 days prior to the last date on which notice of redemption may be given as being owned of record and beneficially by, and not pledged or hypothecated by either (a) the Issuer or (b) an entity specifically identified in such written statement directly or indirectly controlled by or under direct or indirect common control with the Issuer.

SECTION 12.5 <u>Mandatory and Optional Sinking Funds</u>. The minimum amount of any sinking fund payment provided for by the terms of Securities of any series is herein referred to as a "mandatory sinking fund payment," and any payment in excess of such minimum amount provided for by the terms of Securities of any series is herein referred to as an "optional sinking fund payment." The date on which a sinking fund payment is to be made is herein referred to as the "sinking fund payment date."

In lieu of making all or any part of any mandatory sinking fund payment with respect to any series of Securities in cash, the Issuer may at its option (a) deliver to the Trustee Securities of such series theretofore purchased or otherwise acquired (except upon redemption pursuant to the mandatory sinking fund) by the Issuer or receive credit for Securities of such series (not previously so credited) theretofore purchased or otherwise acquired (except as aforesaid) by the Issuer and delivered to the Trustee for cancellation pursuant to <u>Section 2.10</u>, (b) receive credit for optional sinking fund payments (not previously so credited) made pursuant to this Section, or (c) receive credit for Securities of such series (not previously so credited) redeemed by the Issuer through any optional redemption provision contained in the terms of such series. Securities so delivered or credited shall be received or credited by the Trustee at the sinking fund redemption price specified in such Securities.

On or before the sixtieth day next preceding each sinking fund payment date for any series, the Issuer will deliver to the Trustee a written statement (which need not contain the statements required by Section 11.5) signed by an authorized officer of the Issuer (a) specifying the portion of the mandatory sinking fund payment to be satisfied by payment of cash and the portion to be satisfied by credit of Securities of such series, (b) stating that none of the Securities of such series has theretofore been so credited, (c) stating that no defaults in the payment of interest or Events of Default with respect to such series have occurred (which have not been waived or cured) and are continuing and (d) stating whether or not the Issuer intends to exercise its right to make an optional sinking fund payment date. Any Securities of such series to be credited and required to be delivered to the Trustee in order for the Issuer to be entitled to credit therefor as aforesaid which have not theretofore been delivered to the Trustee shall be delivered for cancellation pursuant to Section 2.10 to the Trustee with such written statement (or reasonably promptly thereafter if acceptable to the Trustee). Such written statement statement date. Failure of the Issuer shall be come unconditionally obligated to make all the cash payments or payments therein referred to, if any, on or before the next succeeding sinking fund payment date. Failure of the Issuer, on or before any such sixteeth day, to deliver such written statement and Securities specified in this paragraph, if any, shall not constitute a default but shall constitute, on and as of such date, the irrevocable election of the Issuer (i) that the mandatory sinking fund payment for such series due on the next succeeding sinking fund payment date shall be paid entirely in cash without the option to deliver or credit Securities of such series in respect to such series due on the next succeeding sinking fund payment date shall be paid entirely in cash without the option to delive

If the sinking fund payment or payments (mandatory or optional or both) to be made in cash on the next succeeding sinking fund payment date plus any unused balance of any preceding sinking fund payments made in cash shall exceed \$50,000 (or a lesser sum if the Issuer shall so request) with respect to the Securities of any particular series, such cash shall be applied on the next succeeding sinking fund payment date to the redemption of Securities of such series at the sinking fund redemption price together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption. If such amount shall be \$50,000 or less and the Issuer makes no such request then it shall be carried over until a sum in excess of \$50,000 is available. The Trustee shall select, in the manner provided in <u>Section 12.2</u>, for redemption on such sinking fund payment date a sufficient principal amount of Securities of such series to absorb said cash, as nearly as may be, and shall (if requested in writing by the Issuer) inform the Issuer of the serial numbers of the Securities of such series (or portions thereof) so selected. Except as aforesaid, any moneys in the sinking fund for such series at the time when any such default or Event of Default shall occur, and any moneys thereafter paid into the sinking fund, shall, during the continuance of such default or Event of Default, be deemed to have been collected under Article Five and held for the payment of all such Securities. In case such Event of Default shall have been waived as provided in <u>Section 5.10</u> or the default cured on or before the sixtieth day preceding the sinking fund payment date in any year, such moneys shall thereafter be applied on the next succeeding sinking fund payment date in accordance with this Section to the redemption of such Securities.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Indenture to be duly executed, and their respective corporate seals to be hereunto affixed and attested, all as of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED

Ву

By

[INSERT NAME OF TRUSTEE]

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

) ss.:

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

On this \_\_\_\_\_\_day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_, before me personally came \_\_\_\_\_\_\_to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that s/he resides at \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_; that s/he is an officer of LIVE VENTURES INCORPORATED, one of the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument, and that he signed his name thereto by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation.

[Notarial Seal]

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On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, before me personally came \_\_\_\_\_\_ to me personally known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that s/he resides at \_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_; that s/he is an officer of [INSERT NAME OF TRUSTEE], one of the corporations described in and which executed the above instrument; and that he signed his name thereto by authority of the Board of Directors of said corporation, by like authority.

/s/

/s/

Notary Public

[Notarial Seal]



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March 24, 2023

Via e-mail: j.isaac@isaac.com

Live Ventures Incorporated 325 E. Warm Springs Road, Suite 102 Las Vegas, Nevada 89119

Attn: Jon Isaac, President and CEO

Re: Live Ventures Incorporated

Dear Mr. Isaac:

We have acted as counsel to Live Ventures Incorporated, a Nevada corporation (the "<u>Company</u>"), in connection with the filing of a Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed on March 24, 2023 (the "<u>Registration Statement</u>") under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "<u>Securities Act</u>"). The Company has provided us with a prospectus (the "<u>Prospectus</u>"), which forms part of the Registration Statement. The Prospectus provides that it will be supplemented in the future by one or more prospectus supplements (each, a "<u>Prospectus Supplement</u>"). The Registration Statement, including the Prospectus as supplemented from time to time by one or more Prospectus Supplements, provides for the registration by the Company of one or more of the following securities with an aggregate offering price of up to \$50,000,000: (i) shares of the Company's common stock, par value \$0.001 per share (the "<u>Common Stock</u>"); (ii) shares of the Company's preferred stock, which may be issued in one or more series (the <u>'Preferred Stock</u>"); (iii) debt securities, in one or more series, which may be convertible into shares of Common Stock or shares of Preferred Stock (the "<u>Debt Securities</u>"); (iv) warrants to purchase shares of Common Stock, shares of Preferred Stock, or our Debt Securities, or any combination thereof (the "<u>Warrants</u>"); (v) rights for the purchase of Preferred Stock, Debt Securities, Rights, or Warrants, in any combination (the "<u>Units</u>"). The Common Stock, the Preferred Stock, the Debt Security. The Security. The Securities may be issued by the Company in one or more series and may be offered and sold from time to time in amounts, at prices and on terms to be determined at the time of the offering as set forth in the Registration Statement, any amendments thereto (including post-effective amendments) and one or more Prospectus Supplements.

You have requested our opinion as to the matters set forth below in connection with the Registration Statement. In connection with this opinion, we have examined and relied upon originals, or copies certified to our satisfaction, of such records, documents, certificates, opinions, memoranda, and other instruments as in our judgment are necessary or appropriate to enable us to render the opinion expressed below. As to certain factual matters, we have relied upon a certificate of an officer of the Company and have not independently sought to verify such matters.

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In rendering this opinion, we have assumed without independent verification: (i) the genuineness and authenticity of all signatures on original documents; (ii) the authenticity of all documents submitted to us as originals; (iii) the conformity to originals of all documents submitted to us as copies; (iv) the accuracy, completeness and authenticity of certificates of public officials; (v) that each natural person signing any document reviewed by us had the legal capacity to do so; and (vi) the due authorization, execution, and delivery of all documents.

To the extent relevant to any opinion below, we have also assumed that, at the time of the sale or delivery of any Securities pursuant to the Registration Statement: (i) the Registration Statement, as amended by any amendments thereto (including post-effective amendments), will have become effective under the Securities Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and such effectiveness will not have been terminated or rescinded, and will comply with all applicable laws; (ii) one or more Prospectus Supplements relating to the Securities being offered will have been prepared and filed in compliance with the Securities Act and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, and will comply with all applicable laws; (iii) if the Securities being offered are to be sold pursuant to a purchase, underwriting, or similar agreement (an "Underwriting Agreement"), such Underwriting Agreement relating to the Securities being offered, in the form filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, any posteffective amendment thereto, or a Current Report on Form 8-K under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"), will have been duly authorized, executed, and delivered by the Company and the other parties thereto, and will constitute a valid, binding, and enforceable obligation of the Company and the other parties thereto, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms, and any Securities offered and sold pursuant thereto will have been offered and sold in accordance with the terms thereof; (iv) any indenture ("Indenture") relating to the Debt Securities, any warrant agreement ("Warrant Agreement") relating to the Warrants, and any unit agreement ("Unit Agreement") relating to the Units, in each case in the form filed as an exhibit to the Registration Statement, any post-effective amendment thereto, or a Current Report on Form 8-K under the Exchange Act, will have been duly authorized, executed, and delivered by the Company and the other parties thereto, and will constitute a valid, binding, and enforceable obligation of the Company and the other parties thereto, enforceable against each of them in accordance with its terms; (v) the Securities being offered and any related Underwriting Agreement, amendments to the Articles of Incorporation, Indenture, Warrant Agreement, or Unit Agreement, as applicable, describing such Securities will conform in all material respects to the description thereof in the Registration Statement, any amendments thereto (including post-effective amendments), and the Prospectus Supplement relating to the Securities being offered; (vi) the Securities being offered will have been issued and sold in compliance with applicable federal and state securities laws and for the consideration set forth in, and otherwise as contemplated by and in conformity with, the Registration Statement, any amendments thereto (including posteffective amendments), and the Prospectus Supplement relating to the Securities being offered; (vii) any applicable listing or other requirements of any stock exchange on which the Securities being offered may be listed will have been complied with; (viii) the rights, powers, privileges, preferences, and other terms, if any, of any Security to be established after the date hereof, and the terms of the issuance, sale, and delivery of any Security being offered (a) will be in conformity with the Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws as then in effect, (b) will not violate any applicable law or result in a breach of or default under any agreement or instrument to which the Company is then a party or which is then binding upon the Company, and (c) will comply with any requirement or restriction imposed by any court or governmental body having jurisdiction over the

Company; (ix) with respect to any shares of Common Stock or Preferred Stock being offered, there will be sufficient shares of Common Stock or Preferred Stock, as applicable, authorized, designated (in the case of Preferred Stock), and available for issuance, and that the consideration for the issuance and sale of the Common Stock or Preferred Stock is in an amount that is not less that the par value of the Common Stock or Preferred Stock as applicable; (x) any Securities issuable upon conversion, exchange, or exercise of any Security being offered will have been duly authorized, created, and, if appropriate, reserved for issuance upon such conversion, exchange, or exercise, and that upon the issuance of any shares of Common Stock or Preferred Stock issuable upon conversion or exercise of any of the Securities, the total number of shares of Common Stock and Preferred Stock and Preferred Stock of the Company, issued and outstanding, as applicable, will not exceed the total number of shares of Common Stock and Preferred Stock that the Company is the Company shall be a corporation duly organized, validly existing, and in good standing under the laws of the State of Nevada and shall have the necessary power and authority to issue and sell such Securities.

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Our opinion herein is expressed solely with respect to the federal laws of the United States and the Nevada General Corporation Law (including the statutory provisions and all applicable provisions of the Nevada Constitution and the reported judicial cases interpreting those laws currently in effect). Our opinion is based on these laws as in effect on the date hereof. We express no opinion as to whether the laws of any jurisdiction are applicable to the subject matter hereof. We are not rendering any opinion as to compliance with any federal or state law, rule, or regulation relating to securities, or to the sale or issuance thereof. As to any facts material to the opinions expressed herein that were not independently established or verified, we have relied upon oral or written statements and representations of officers or other representatives of the Company and others.

On the basis of, and in reliance on, the foregoing examination and subject to the assumptions, exceptions, qualifications, and limitations contained herein, if the board of directors of the Company has taken all necessary corporate action to authorize the issuance and terms of the applicable Securities, including the terms of the offering thereof and related matters in accordance with the applicable underwriting, purchase, or similar agreement for such offering, and when issued and paid for as described in the Registration Statement (including any shares of Common Stock or shares of Preferred Stock issuable in connection with the exercise of any Warrants, or any Units), we are of the opinion that the Securities will be validly issued, fully paid, and non-assessable, enforceable against the Company in accordance with their terms.

This opinion is for your benefit in connection with the Registration Statement and may be relied upon by you and by persons entitled to rely upon it pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Securities Act. We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our firm under the caption "Legal Matters" in the Prospectus included in the Registration Statement. In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we are experts with respect to any part of the Registration Statement or the Prospectus, within the meaning of the term "expert," as used in Section 11 of the Securities Act, or the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, nor do we admit that we are in the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act, or the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission promulgated thereunder. Our opinion is expressly limited to the matters set forth above, and we render no opinion, whether by implication or otherwise, as to any other matters relating to the Company, the Securities, or the Registration Statement. This opinion is expressed as of the date hereof, and we disclaim any undertaking to advise you of any subsequent changes in the facts stated or assumed herein or of any subsequent changes in applicable law. We bring to your attention that our legal opinions are an expression of professional judgment and are not a guarantee of result.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Clark Hill PLC

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# Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm

We consent to the use of our report dated December 16, 2022, with respect to the consolidated balance sheets of Live Ventures Incorporated as of September 30, 2022 and 2021, and the related consolidated statements of income, changes in stockholders' equity, and cash flows for the years then ended included in the Annual Report on Form 10-K of Live Ventures Incorporated for the year ended September 30, 2022, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on December 16, 2022, and our report dated September 14, 2022, with respect to our audit of the financial statements of The Kinetic Co., Inc. as of and for the year ended November 30, 2021 included in the Form 8- K/A of Live Ventures Incorporated filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on September 14, 2022, both of which are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement on Form S-3 and related Prospectus of Live Ventures Incorporated, and to the reference to our firm under the heading "Experts" in the Registration Statement and related Prospectus.

/s/ Frazier & Deeter, LLC Atlanta, Georgia March 24, 2023

# **Calculation of Filing Fee Table**

## Form S-3

# (Form Type)

#### Live Venture Incorporated

#### (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

#### Table 1. Newly Registered Securities

	Security Type	Security Class Title	Fee Calculation Rule	Amount Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit	Maximum Aggregate Offering Price	Fee Rate	Amount of Registration Fee	
Fees to be Paid	Equity	Common Stock (1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)	-	(1)(2)(3)	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
Fees to be Paid	Equity	Preferred Stock (1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)	( <u>17)</u>	(1)(2)(3)	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
Fees to be Paid	Equity	Rights (1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)	-	(1)(2)(3)	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
Fees to be Paid	Other	Warrants (1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)	( <u>17)</u>	(1)(2)(3)	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
Fees to be Paid	Debt	Debt Securities (1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)	-	(1)(2)(3)	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
Fees to be Paid	Other	Units (1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)		(1)(2)(3)	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
Unallocated (Universal) Shelf (1)		(1)(2)	457(o)	(1)(2)(3)	-	\$50,000,000	0.0001102	(2)(4)	
				Total Offering A	mounts:	\$ 50,000,000		\$ 5,510	(4)

(1) Represents securities that may be offered and sold from time to time in one or more offerings by Live Ventures Incorporated.

(2) There is being registered hereunder an indeterminate number of shares of(a) common stock, (b) preferred stock, (c) rights, (d) warrants, (e) debt securities, and (f) units, consisting of some or all of these securities in any combination, as may be sold from time to time by the Registrant. Any securities registered hereunder may be sold separately or as units with other securities registered hereunder. There is also being registered hereunder an indeterminate number of shares of common stock, preferred stock and debt securities as shall be issuable upon conversion, exchange or exercise of any securities that provide for such issuance. Pursuant to Rule 416(a) promulgated under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate number of securities that may become issuable as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions relating to the securities registered hereunder. In no event will the aggregate offering price of all types of securities issued by the Registrant pursuant to this registration statement exceed \$50,000,000.

(3) The proposed max mum aggregate offering price for each class of securities to be registered is not specified pursuant to General Instruction II.D. of Form S-3.

(4) The registration fee of \$5,510 is calculated in accordance with Rule 457(a) of the Securities Act.