

Court File No.

**ONTARIO  
SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE  
(COMMERCIAL LIST)**

THE HONOURABLE ) THURSDAY, THE 17<sup>TH</sup>  
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MADAM JUSTICE STEELE ) DAY OF APRIL, 2025

**IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES' CREDITORS  
ARRANGEMENT ACT, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, AS AMENDED**

**AND IN THE MATTER OF A PLAN OF COMPROMISE OR  
ARRANGEMENT OF EARTH BORING CO. LIMITED,  
YARBRIDGE HOLDINGS INC., TROLAN INVESTMENTS LTD.,  
AND YARFIELD SERVICES LIMITED (Collectively, the  
"Applicants")**

**INITIAL ORDER**

**THIS APPLICATION**, made by the Applicants, pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, R.S.C. 1985, c. C-36, as amended (the "**CCAA**") was heard this day by videoconference.

**ON READING** the Notice of Application, affidavit of Eugene Woodbridge sworn April 16, 2025 and the Exhibits thereto (the "**Woodbridge Affidavit**"), the consent of BDO Canada Limited ("**BDO**") to act as the Court-appointed monitor of the Applicants (in such capacity, the "**Monitor**"), the pre-filing report of BDO dated April 16, 2025 (the "**Pre-Filing Report**"), as the proposed monitor, and on hearing the submissions of counsel for the Applicants, counsel for the Monitor, counsel for the Bank of Montreal ("**BMO**"), and such other parties as listed on the Participant Information Form, with no one appearing for any other person although duly served as appears from the affidavit of service of Samantha Currie sworn April 17, 2025, filed,

## SERVICE

1. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the time for service of the Notice of Application and the Application Record is hereby abridged and validated so that this Application is properly returnable today and hereby dispenses with further service thereof.

## APPLICATION

2. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that the Applicants are each a company to which the CCAA applies.

3. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that effective April 17, 2025, the notice of intention to make a proposal of Earth Boring Co. Limited ("**EBCL**") under Part III of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, RSC 1985, c B-3, as amended (the "**BIA**") bearing estate file number 32-3212103 is hereby taken up and continued under the CCAA and that, as of such date, the provisions of the BIA shall have no further application to EBCL, save that any and all steps, agreements and procedures validly taken, done or entered into by EBCL shall remain valid and binding, notwithstanding the commencement of these CCAA proceedings.

## POSSESSION OF PROPERTY AND OPERATIONS

4. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall remain in possession and control of their current and future assets, undertakings and properties of every nature and kind whatsoever, and wherever situate including all proceeds thereof (the "**Property**"). Subject to further Order of this Court, the Applicants shall continue to carry on business in a manner consistent with the preservation of their business (the "**Business**") and Property. The Applicants are authorized and empowered to continue to retain and employ the employees, consultants, contractors, agents, experts, accountants, counsel and such other persons (collectively "**Assistants**") currently retained or employed by it, with liberty to retain such further Assistants as it deems reasonably necessary or desirable in the ordinary course of business or for the carrying out of the terms of this Order.

5. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall be entitled to continue to utilize the central cash management system currently in place as described in the Woodbridge Affidavit or replace it with another substantially similar central cash management system (the "**Cash Management System**") and that any present or future bank providing the Cash Management System shall not be under any obligation whatsoever to inquire into the propriety, validity or

legality of any transfer, payment, collection or other action taken under the Cash Management System, or as to the use or application by the Applicants of funds transferred, paid, collected or otherwise dealt with in the Cash Management System, shall be entitled to provide the Cash Management System without any liability in respect thereof to any Person (as hereinafter defined) other than the Applicants, pursuant to the terms of the documentation applicable to the Cash Management System, and shall be, in its capacity as provider of the Cash Management System, an unaffected creditor under any plan of arrangement or compromise under the CCAA with regard to any claims or expenses it may suffer or incur in connection with the provision of the Cash Management System.

6. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay the following expenses whether incurred prior to or after this Order:

- (a) all outstanding and future wages, salaries, employee and pension benefits, vacation pay and expenses payable on or after the date of this Order, in each case incurred in the ordinary course of business and consistent with existing compensation policies and arrangements;
- (b) the fees and disbursements of any Assistants retained or employed by the Applicants in respect of these proceedings, at their standard rates and charges; and
- (c) with the consent of the Monitor, amounts owing for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants prior to the date of this Order if in the opinion of the Applicants, in consultation with the CRO (as defined below) and with the consent of the Monitor, such payment is necessary or desirable to avoid disruption to the operations of the Business or the Property of the Applicants during the CCAA proceedings.

7. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as otherwise provided to the contrary herein, the Applicants shall be entitled but not required to pay all reasonable expenses incurred by the Applicants in carrying on the Business in the ordinary course after this Order, and in carrying out the provisions of this Order, which expenses shall include, without limitation:

- (a) all expenses and capital expenditures reasonably necessary for the preservation of the Property or the Business including, without limitation, payments on account

of insurance (including directors and officers insurance), maintenance and security services; and

- (b) payment for goods or services actually supplied to the Applicants following the date of this Order.

8. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall remit, in accordance with legal requirements, or pay:

- (a) any statutory deemed trust amounts in favour of the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any other taxation authority which are required to be deducted from employees' wages, including, without limitation, amounts in respect of (i) employment insurance, (ii) Canada Pension Plan, (iii) income taxes, and (iv) all other amounts related to such deductions or employee wages payable for periods following the date of this Order pursuant to the *Income Tax Act*, the *Canada Pension Plan*, the *Employment Insurance Act* or similar provincial statutes;
- (b) all goods and services or other applicable sales taxes (collectively, "**Sales Taxes**") required to be remitted by the Applicants in connection with the sale of goods and services by the Applicants, but only where such Sales Taxes are accrued or collected after the date of this Order, or where such Sales Taxes were accrued or collected prior to the date of this Order but not required to be remitted until on or after the date of this Order, and
- (c) any amount payable to the Crown in right of Canada or of any Province thereof or any political subdivision thereof or any other taxation authority in respect of municipal realty, municipal business or other taxes, assessments or levies of any nature or kind which are entitled at law to be paid in priority to claims of secured creditors and which are attributable to or in respect of the carrying on of the Business by the Applicants.

9. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that until a real property lease is disclaimed in accordance with the CCAA, the Applicants shall pay all amounts constituting rent or payable as rent under real property leases (including, for greater certainty, common area maintenance charges, utilities and realty taxes and any other amounts payable to the landlord under the lease) or as otherwise may

be negotiated between the Applicants and the landlord from time to time ("**Rent**"), for the period commencing from and including the date of this Order, monthly on the first day of each month, in advance (but not in arrears). On the date of the first of such payments, any Rent relating to the period commencing from and including the date of this Order shall also be paid.

10. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, except as specifically permitted herein, the Applicants are hereby directed, until further Order of this Court: (a) to make no payments of principal, interest thereon or otherwise on account of amounts owing by the Applicants to any of their creditors as of this date; (b) to grant no security interests, trust, liens, charges or encumbrances upon or in respect of any of their Property; and (c) to not grant credit or incur liabilities except in the ordinary course of the Business.

### **RESTRUCTURING**

11. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants and/or the CRO, with the consent of the Monitor and in consultation with the DIP Lender (as hereinafter defined), shall subject to such requirements as are imposed by the CCAA and such covenants as may be contained in the Definitive Documents (as hereinafter defined), have the right to:

- (a) permanently or temporarily cease, downsize or shut down any of their business or operations, and to dispose of redundant or non-material assets not exceeding \$1,000,000 in any one transaction or \$2,000,000 in the aggregate; and
- (b) terminate the employment of such of their employees or temporarily lay off such of their employees as they deem appropriate,

all of the foregoing to permit the Applicants to proceed with an orderly restructuring of the Business (the "**Restructuring**").

12. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall provide each of the relevant landlords with notice of the Applicants' intention to remove any fixtures from any leased premises at least seven (7) days prior to the date of the intended removal. The relevant landlord shall be entitled to have a representative present in the leased premises to observe such removal and, if the landlord disputes the Applicants' entitlement to remove any such fixture under the provisions of the lease, such fixture shall remain on the premises and shall be dealt with as agreed between any applicable secured creditors, such landlord and the Applicants, or by further Order of this Court upon application by the Applicants on at least two (2) days' notice to such landlord and any

such secured creditors. If the Applicants disclaim the lease governing such leased premises in accordance with Section 32 of the CCAA, they shall not be required to pay Rent under such lease pending resolution of any such dispute (other than Rent payable for the notice period provided for in Section 32(5) of the CCAA), and the disclaimer of the lease shall be without prejudice to the Applicants' claim to the fixtures in dispute.

13. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if a notice of disclaimer is delivered pursuant to Section 32 of the CCAA, then (a) during the notice period prior to the effective time of the disclaimer, the landlord may show the affected leased premises to prospective tenants during normal business hours, on giving the Applicants and the Monitor 24 hours' prior written notice, and (b) at the effective time of the disclaimer, the relevant landlord shall be entitled to take possession of any such leased premises without waiver of or prejudice to any claims or rights such landlord may have against the Applicants in respect of such lease or leased premises, provided that nothing herein shall relieve such landlord of its obligation to mitigate any damages claimed in connection therewith.

#### **NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE APPLICANTS OR THE PROPERTY**

14. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that until and including April 27, 2025, or such later date as this Court may order (the "**Stay Period**"), no proceeding or enforcement process in any court or tribunal (each, a "**Proceeding**"), including without limiting the generality of the foregoing any adjudication process pursuant to part II.1 of the *Construction Act*, shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the Applicants, the Monitor, the CRO, or their respective employees and representatives acting in such capacities, or affecting the Business or the Property, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

#### **NO PROCEEDINGS AGAINST PENNBRIDGE HOLDINGS INC.**

15. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, no Proceeding shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of Pennbridge Holdings Inc. (the "**Pennbridge Holdings**") or its respective employees and representatives acting in such capacities, or affecting its business or its property, except with the written consent of Pennbridge Holdings and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Proceedings currently under way against or in respect of

Pennbridge Holdings or affecting its business or its property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

#### **NO EXERCISE OF RIGHTS OR REMEDIES**

16. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any individual, firm, corporation, governmental body or agency, or any other entities (all of the foregoing, collectively being "**Persons**" and each being a "**Person**") against or in respect of the Applicants, the Monitor, the CRO, Pennbridge Holdings, or affecting the Business or the Property, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing (i) any rights arising out of or in connection with the prompt payment deadlines or a notice of non-payment under Part I.1 of the *Construction Act* and (ii) any rights in connection with a determination under Part II.1 of the *Construction Act*, are hereby stayed and suspended except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall (i) empower the Applicants and Pennbridge Holdings to carry on any business which they are not lawfully entitled to carry on and (ii) affect such investigations, actions, suits or proceedings by a regulatory body as are permitted by Section 11.1 of the CCAA, and (iii) subject to the terms of the Lien Regulation Order dated as of the date of this Order (the "**LRO**"), prevent the filing of any registration to preserve or perfect a security interest.

#### **NO INTERFERENCE WITH RIGHTS**

17. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, no Person shall accelerate, suspend, discontinue, fail to honour, alter, interfere with, repudiate, rescind, terminate or cease to perform any right, renewal right, contract, agreement, licence, or permit in favour of or held by the Applicants, except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court.

#### **PRE-FILING VS POST-FILING SET-OFF**

18. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, no Person shall be entitled to set off any amounts that: (a) are or may become due to the Applicants in respect of obligations arising prior to the date hereof with any amounts that are or may become due from the Applicants in respect of obligations arising on or after the date of this Order; or (b) are or may become due from the Applicants in respect of obligations arising prior to the date hereof with any amounts that are or may become due to the Applicants in respect of obligations arising on or after the date of this Order, in each case without

the consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall prejudice any arguments any person may want to make in seeking leave of the Court or following the granting of such leave.

### **CONTINUATION OF SERVICES**

19. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all Persons having oral or written agreements with the Applicants or statutory or regulatory mandates for the supply of materials, goods and/or services, including without limitation all computer software, communication and other data services, centralized banking services, payroll services, insurance, transportation services, utility, or other services to the Business or the Applicants, are hereby restrained until further Order of this Court from discontinuing, altering, interfering with, suspending or terminating the supply of such goods or services as may be required by the Applicants, and that the Applicants shall be entitled to the continued use of their current premises, telephone numbers, facsimile numbers, internet addresses and domain names, provided in each case that the normal prices or charges for all such goods or services received after the date of this Order are paid by the Applicants in accordance with normal payment practices of the Applicants or such other practices as may be agreed upon by the supplier or service provider and each of the Applicants and the Monitor, or as may be ordered by this Court.

### **NON-DEROGATION OF RIGHTS**

20. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding anything else in this Order, no Person shall be prohibited from requiring immediate payment for goods, services, use of leased or licensed property or other valuable consideration provided on or after the date of this Order, nor shall any Person be under any obligation on or after the date of this Order to advance or re-advance any monies or otherwise extend any credit to the Applicants. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the rights conferred and obligations imposed by the CCAA.

### **PROCEEDINGS AGAINST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

21. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, and except as permitted by subsection 11.03(2) of the CCAA, no Proceeding may be commenced or continued against any of the former, current or future directors or officers of the Applicants with respect to any claim against the directors or officers that arose before the date hereof and that relates to any obligations of the Applicants whereby the directors or officers are alleged under any law to be

liable in their capacity as directors or officers for the payment or performance of such obligations, until a compromise or arrangement in respect of the Applicants, if one is filed, is sanctioned by this Court or is refused by the creditors of the Applicants or this Court.

#### **DIRECTORS' AND OFFICERS' INDEMNIFICATION AND CHARGE**

22. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants shall indemnify their directors and officers against obligations and liabilities that they may incur as directors or officers of the Applicants after the commencement of the within proceedings, except to the extent that, with respect to any officer or director, the obligation or liability was incurred as a result of the director's or officer's gross negligence or wilful misconduct.

23. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the directors and officers of the Applicants shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "**Director's Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$200,000, as security for the indemnity provided in paragraph 22 of this Order. The Directors' Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 51 and 53 herein.

24. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding any language in any applicable insurance policy to the contrary, (a) no insurer shall be entitled to be subrogated to or claim the benefit of the Directors' Charge, and (b) the Applicants' directors and officers shall only be entitled to the benefit of the Directors' Charge to the extent that they do not have coverage under any directors' and officers' insurance policy, or to the extent that such coverage is insufficient to pay amounts indemnified in accordance with paragraph 22 of this Order.

#### **STAY OF PERFORMANCE BONDS**

25. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that during the Stay Period, no Person, holding a Performance Bond (as defined in the Woodbridge Affidavit), including any Person named as an owner or obligee under such bond, shall be permitted to enforce and/or call on the Performance Bond ("**Performance Bond Claim**"), except with the written consent of the Applicants and the Monitor, or with leave of this Court, and any and all Performance Bond Claims currently under way against or in respect of the Applicants or affecting the Business or the Property are hereby stayed and suspended pending further Order of this Court.

**APPOINTMENT OF MONITOR**

26. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that BDO is hereby appointed pursuant to the CCAA as the Monitor, an officer of this Court, to monitor the business and financial affairs of the Applicants with the powers and obligations set out in the CCAA or set forth herein and that the Applicants and their shareholders, officers, directors, the CRO and Assistants shall advise the Monitor of all material steps taken by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, and shall co-operate fully with the Monitor in the exercise of its powers and discharge of its obligations and provide the Monitor with the assistance that is necessary to enable the Monitor to adequately carry out the Monitor's functions.

27. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, in addition to its prescribed rights and obligations under the CCAA, is hereby directed and empowered to:

- (a) monitor the Applicants' receipts and disbursements, Business and dealings with the Property and, among other things, ensure all disbursements are consistent with the Cash Flow Statements (as defined in Pre-Filing Report), as amended from time to time, and subject to the variances permitted in the DIP Commitment Letter;
- (b) report to this Court at such times and intervals as the Monitor may deem appropriate with respect to matters relating to the Property, the Business, and such other matters as may be relevant to the proceedings herein;
- (c) assist the Applicants, to the extent required by the Applicants, in their dissemination, to the DIP Lender and its counsel, on a timely basis of financial and other information as agreed to between the Applicants and the DIP Lender which may be used in these proceedings including reporting on a basis to be agreed with the DIP Lender;
- (d) advise the Applicants in their preparation of the Applicants' cash flow statements and reporting required by the DIP Lender, which information shall be reviewed with the Monitor and delivered to the DIP Lender and its counsel on a periodic basis,
- (e) have full and complete access to the Property, including the premises, books, records, data, including data in electronic form, and other financial documents of the Applicants, to the extent that is necessary to adequately assess the Applicants' business and financial affairs or to perform their duties arising under this Order;

- (f) be at liberty to engage independent legal counsel or such other persons as the Monitor deems necessary or advisable respecting the exercise of its powers and performance of its obligations under this Order; and
- (g) perform such other duties as are required by this Order or by this Court from time to time.

28. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall not take possession of the Property and shall take no part whatsoever in the management or supervision of the management of the Business and shall not, by fulfilling its obligations hereunder, be deemed to have taken or maintained possession or control of the Business or Property, or any part thereof.

29. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing herein contained shall require the Monitor to occupy or to take control, care, charge, possession or management (separately and/or collectively, "**Possession**") of any of the Property that might be environmentally contaminated, might be a pollutant or a contaminant, or might cause or contribute to a spill, discharge, release or deposit of a substance contrary to any federal, provincial or other law respecting the protection, conservation, enhancement, remediation or rehabilitation of the environment or relating to the disposal of waste or other contamination including, without limitation, the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Environmental Protection Act*, the *Ontario Water Resources Act*, or the *Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act* and regulations thereunder (the "**Environmental Legislation**"), provided however that nothing herein shall exempt the Monitor from any duty to report or make disclosure imposed by applicable Environmental Legislation. The Monitor shall not, as a result of this Order or anything done in pursuance of the Monitor's duties and powers under this Order, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation, unless it is actually in Possession.

30. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that that the Monitor shall provide any creditor of the Applicants and the DIP Lender with information provided by the Applicants in response to reasonable requests for information made in writing by such creditor addressed to the Monitor. The Monitor shall not have any responsibility or liability with respect to the information disseminated by it pursuant to this paragraph. In the case of information that the Monitor has been advised by the Applicants is confidential, the Monitor shall not provide such information to creditors unless otherwise directed by this Court or on such terms as the Monitor and the Applicants may agree.

31. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, in addition to the rights and protections afforded the Monitor under the CCAA or as an officer of this Court, the Monitor shall incur no liability or obligation as a result of its appointment or the carrying out of the provisions of this Order, save and except for any gross negligence or wilful misconduct on its part. Nothing in this Order shall derogate from the protections afforded the Monitor by the CCAA or any applicable legislation.

#### **APPOINTMENT OF CRO**

32. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that Steinberg Advisory Corp. is hereby appointed as the Chief Restructuring Officer (“**CRO**”) over and in respect of the Applicants and shall have the powers and obligations set out in the engagement agreement between the Applicants and the CRO dated April 16, 2025 (the “**CRO Engagement**”), a copy of which is attached as Appendix “D” to the Pre-Filing Report.

33. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO Engagement is hereby approved, subject to such minor amendments as the parties thereto may agree to with the Monitor’s consent.

34. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that subject to the terms of this Order, the CRO is hereby authorized to assist the Applicants and the Monitor, and to do all things, carry out all actions and perform all duties described in the CRO Engagement.

35. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO shall not be, or be deemed to be a director, officer or employee of the Applicants.

36. **THIS COURT ORDERS** the CRO shall not, as a result of the performance of the obligations and services in accordance with the terms of the CRO Engagement, be deemed to be in Possession of any of the Property within the meaning of any Environmental Legislation.

37. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the CRO have no liability with respect to any losses, claims, damages or liabilities, of any nature or kind, to any Person from and after the date of this Order except to the extent that such losses, claims, damages or liabilities result from gross negligence or wilful misconduct on the part of the CRO.

38. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, no Proceeding shall be commenced or continued against or in respect of the CRO, except with the written consent of the CRO or with leave of this Court.

39. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that during the Stay Period, all rights and remedies of any Person against or in respect of the CRO are hereby stayed and suspended, except with the written consent of the CRO or leave of this Court, provided that nothing in this Order shall empower the CRO to carry on any business which the CRO is not lawfully entitled to carry on.

40. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the obligations of the Applicants to the CRO pursuant to the CRO Engagement shall be treated as unaffected and may not be compromised in any Plan or proposal filed under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* of Canada (the "**BIA**") in respect of the Applicants.

41. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor may terminate the CRO and the CRO Engagement with thirty days' notice to the CRO and the Applicants.

#### **ADMINISTRATION CHARGE**

42. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, counsel to the Applicants and the CRO's Monthly Fees (as defined in the CRO Engagement) shall be paid their reasonable fees and disbursements, in each case at their standard rates and charges, whether incurred prior to, on, or subsequent to the date of this Order by the Applicants as part of the costs of these proceedings. The Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay the accounts of the Monitor, counsel for the Monitor, counsel for the Applicants and the CRO on a weekly basis or as otherwise agreed among the parties.

43. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor and its legal counsel shall pass their accounts from time to time, and for this purpose the accounts of the Monitor and its legal counsel are hereby referred to a judge of the Commercial List of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

44. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor, counsel to the Monitor, and the Applicants' counsel shall be entitled to the benefit of and are hereby granted a charge (the "**Administration Charge**") on the Property, which charge shall not exceed an aggregate amount of \$300,000, as security for their professional fees and disbursements incurred at their standard rates and charges, both before and after the making of this Order in respect of these proceedings. The Administration Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 51 and 53 hereof.

**DIP FINANCING**

45. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to obtain and borrow under a credit facility from BMO (the "**DIP Lender**") in order to finance the Applicants' working capital requirements and other general corporate purposes and capital expenditures, provided that borrowings under such credit facility shall not exceed \$2.2 million unless permitted by further Order of this Court.

46. **THIS COURT ORDERS THAT** such credit facility shall be on the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the commitment letter between the Applicants and the DIP Lender dated as of April 16, 2025 (the "**Commitment Letter**"), which is attached as Appendix "E" to the Pre-Filing Report.

47. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants are hereby authorized and empowered to execute and deliver such credit agreements, mortgages, charges, hypothecs and security documents, guarantees and other definitive documents (collectively, the "**Definitive Documents**"), as are contemplated by the Commitment Letter or as may be reasonably required by the DIP Lender pursuant to the terms thereof, and the Applicants are hereby authorized and directed to pay and perform all of their indebtedness, interest, fees, liabilities and obligations to the DIP Lender under and pursuant to the Commitment Letter and the Definitive Documents as and when the same become due and are to be performed, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order.

48. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the DIP Lender shall be entitled to the benefit of and is hereby granted a charge (the "**DIP Lender's Charge**") on the Property, which DIP Lender's Charge shall not secure an obligation that exists before this Order is made. The DIP Lender's Charge shall have the priority set out in paragraphs 51 and 53 hereof.

49. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that, notwithstanding any other provision of this Order:

- (a) the DIP Lender may take such steps from time to time as it may deem necessary or appropriate to file, register, record or perfect the DIP Lender's Charge or any of the Definitive Documents;
- (b) upon the occurrence of an event of default under the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, the DIP Lender, upon seven (7) days notice to the Applicants

and the Monitor, may exercise any and all of its rights and remedies against the Applicants or the Property under or pursuant to the Commitment Letter, Definitive Documents and the DIP Lender's Charge, including without limitation, to cease making advances to the Applicants and set off and/or consolidate any amounts owing by the DIP Lender to the Applicants against the obligations of the Applicants to the DIP Lender under the Commitment Letter, the Definitive Documents or the DIP Lender's Charge, to make demand, accelerate payment and give other notices, or to apply to this Court for the appointment of a receiver, receiver and manager or interim receiver, or for a bankruptcy order against the Applicants and for the appointment of a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants; and

- (c) the foregoing rights and remedies of the DIP Lender shall be enforceable against any trustee in bankruptcy, interim receiver, receiver or receiver and manager of the Applicants or the Property.

50. **THIS COURT ORDERS AND DECLARES** that the DIP Lender shall be treated as unaffected in any plan of arrangement or compromise filed by the Applicants under the CCAA, or any proposal filed by the Applicants under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* of Canada (the "**BIA**"), with respect to any advances made under the Definitive Documents.

#### **VALIDITY AND PRIORITY OF CHARGES**

51. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the priorities of the Directors' Charge, the Administration Charge and the DIP Lender's Charge (collectively, the "**Charges**"), as among them, shall be as follows:

First – Administration Charge (to the maximum amount of \$300,000);

Second – DIP Lender's Charge (to the maximum principal amount of \$2.2 million plus interest, fees, and costs) subject only to the security granted to the Business Development Bank of Canada up to maximum amount of principal of \$10,225,000 plus interest on the property municipally known as 960 Zelco Drive, Burlington, Ontario, and legally described in PIN 07035-0005 and of principal of \$5,000,000 plus interest on the property municipally known as 75 Steelwell Road, Brampton, Ontario, and legally described in PIN 14028-0023 (LT);

Third – Director's Charge (to the maximum amount of \$200,000); and

## Fourth – Lien Charge (as defined in the Lien Regularization Order).

52. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the filing, registration or perfection of the Charges shall not be required, and that the Charges shall be valid and enforceable for all purposes, including as against any right, title or interest filed, registered, recorded or perfected subsequent to the Charges coming into existence, notwithstanding any such failure to file, register, record or perfect.

53. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Charges shall constitute a charge on the Property and such Charges shall rank in priority to all other security interests, holdbacks, trusts, liens, charges and encumbrances, claims of secured creditors, statutory or otherwise (collectively, "**Encumbrances**") in favour of any Person, which for greater certainty shall include priority to the interests of any Person in respect of the Applicants' Property pursuant to the *Construction Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.30, provided that the Applicants' Property shall not include any accounts receivable subject to a trust under the *Construction Act* in relation to the Discontinued EBCL Contracts, as defined in the Woodbridge Affidavit.

54. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that except as otherwise expressly provided for herein, or as may be approved by this Court, the Applicants shall not grant any Encumbrances over any Property that rank in priority to, or *pari passu* with, any of the Charges, unless the Applicants also obtain the prior written consent of the Monitor and the beneficiaries of the Charges (collectively, the "**Chargees**"), or further Order of this Court.

55. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Charges, the Commitment Letter, and the Definitive Documents shall not be rendered invalid or unenforceable and the rights and remedies of the Chargees and/or the DIP Lender thereunder shall not otherwise be limited or impaired in any way by (a) the pendency of these proceedings and the declarations of insolvency made herein; (b) any application(s) for bankruptcy order(s) issued pursuant to the BIA, or any bankruptcy order made pursuant to such applications; (c) the filing of any assignments for the general benefit of creditors made pursuant to the BIA; (d) the provisions of any federal or provincial statutes, other than as set out in paragraph 53 above; or (e) any negative covenants, prohibitions or other similar provisions with respect to borrowings, incurring debt or the creation of Encumbrances, contained in any existing loan documents, lease, sublease, offer to lease or other agreement (collectively, an "**Agreement**") which binds the Applicants, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any Agreement:

- (a) neither the creation of the Charges nor the execution, delivery, perfection, registration or performance of the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents shall create or be deemed to constitute a breach by the Applicants of any Agreement to which it is a party;
- (b) none of the Chargees shall have any liability to any Person whatsoever as a result of any breach of any Agreement caused by or resulting from the Applicants entering into the Commitment Letter, the creation of the Charges, or the execution, delivery or performance of the Definitive Documents; and
- (c) the payments made by the Applicants pursuant to this Order, the Commitment Letter or the Definitive Documents, and the granting of the Charges, do not and will not constitute preferences, fraudulent conveyances, transfers at undervalue, oppressive conduct, or other challengeable or voidable transactions under any applicable law.

56. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that any Charge created by this Order over leases of real property in Canada shall only be a Charge in the Applicants' interest in such real property leases.

#### **SERVICE AND NOTICE**

57. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall (i) without delay, publish in *The National Post* a notice containing the information prescribed under the CCAA, (ii) within five (5) days after the date of this Order, (A) make this Order publicly available in the manner prescribed under the CCAA, (B) send, in the prescribed manner or by electronic message to the e-mail addresses as last shown in the Applicants' records, a notice to every known creditor who has a claim against the Applicants of more than \$1000, and (C) prepare a list showing the names and addresses of those creditors and the estimated amounts of those claims, and make it publicly available in the prescribed manner, all in accordance with Section 23(1)(a) of the CCAA and the regulations made thereunder.

58. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the E-Service Protocol of the Commercial List (the "**Protocol**") is approved and adopted by reference herein and, in this proceeding, the service of documents made in accordance with the Protocol (which can be found on the Commercial List website at <http://www.ontariocourts.ca/scj/practice/practice-directions/toronto/e-service-protocol/>) shall be valid and effective service. Subject to Rule 17.05 this Order shall constitute an

order for substituted service pursuant to Rule 16.04 of the Rules of Civil Procedure. Subject to Rule 3.01(d) of the Rules of Civil Procedure and paragraph 21 of the Protocol, service of documents in accordance with the Protocol will be effective on transmission. This Court further orders that a case website shall be established in accordance with the Protocol with the following URL: <https://www.bdo.ca/services/financial-advisory-services/business-restructuring-turnaround-services/current-engagements/earth-boring-co-limited> (the “**Monitor’s Website**”).

59. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Monitor shall create, maintain and update as necessary a list of all Persons appearing in person or by counsel in these proceedings (the “**Service List**”). The Monitor shall post the Service List, as may be updated from time to time, on the Monitor’s Website, provided that the Monitor shall have no liability in respect of the accuracy of or the timeliness of making any changes to the Service List.

60. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that if the service or distribution of documents in accordance with the Protocol is not practicable, the Applicants and the Monitor are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and orders in these proceedings, any notices or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by prepaid ordinary mail, courier, personal delivery, or facsimile transmission to the Applicants’ creditors or other interested parties at their respective addresses as last shown on the records of the Applicants and that any such service or distribution by courier, personal delivery or facsimile transmission shall be deemed to be received on the next business day following the date of forwarding thereof, or if sent by ordinary mail, on the third business day after mailing.

61. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants, the Monitor and their respective counsel are at liberty to serve or distribute this Order, any other materials and Orders as may be reasonably required in these proceedings, including any notices, or other correspondence, by forwarding true copies thereof by electronic message to the Applicants creditors or other interested parties and their advisors. For greater certainty, any such distribution or service shall be deemed to be in satisfaction of a legal or juridical obligation, and notice requirements within the meaning of clause 3(c) of the *Electronic Commerce Protection Regulations*, Reg. 81000-2-175 (SOR/DORS).

#### **COMEBACK DATE**

62. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the comeback motion shall be heard by a judge of the Ontario Superior Court (Commercial List) on Thursday, April 24, 2025 at 9:30 A.M. (the “**Comeback Date**”).

**GENERAL**

63. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that the Applicants or the Monitor may from time to time apply to this Court for advice and directions in the discharge of their powers and duties hereunder.

64. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that nothing in this Order shall prevent the Monitor from acting as an interim receiver, a receiver, a receiver and manager, or a trustee in bankruptcy of the Applicants, the Business, or the Property.

65. **THIS COURT HEREBY REQUESTS** the aid and recognition of any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body having jurisdiction in Canada or in the United States, to give effect to this Order and to assist the Applicants, the Monitor, and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order. All courts, tribunals, regulatory and administrative bodies are hereby respectfully requested to make such orders and to provide such assistance to the Applicants and to the Monitor, as an officer of this Court, as may be necessary or desirable to give effect to this Order, to grant representative status to the Monitor in any foreign proceeding, or to assist the Applicants and the Monitor and their respective agents in carrying out the terms of this Order.

66. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that each of the Applicants and the Monitor be at liberty and are hereby authorized and empowered to apply to any court, tribunal, regulatory or administrative body, wherever located, for the recognition of this Order and for assistance in carrying out the terms of this Order, and that the Monitor is authorized and empowered to act as a representative in respect of the within proceedings for the purpose of having these proceedings recognized in a jurisdiction outside Canada.

67. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that any interested party (including the Applicants and the Monitor) may apply to this Court to vary or amend this Order on not less than seven (7) days notice to any other party or parties likely to be affected by the order sought or upon such other notice, if any, as this Court may order, provided, however, that the Chargees shall be entitled to rely on this Order as granted and on the Charges and priorities set forth in paragraphs 51 and 53 hereof with respect to any fees, expenses and disbursements incurred, as applicable, until the date this Order may be amended, varied or stayed.

68. **THIS COURT ORDERS** that this Order and all of its provisions are effective as of 12:01 a.m. Eastern Time on the date of this Order without any need for entry and filing.

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