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PART I

Unless otherwise specified, or the context otherwise requires, the references in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021 ("Annual Report") to "our company," "we," "us," "our" or "CSWI" refer to CSW Industrials, Inc. together with our wholly-owned subsidiaries.

ITEM 1: BUSINESS

General

CSWI is a diversified industrial growth company with well-established, scalable platforms and domain expertise across two business segments: Industrial Products and Specialty Chemicals. Our broad portfolio of leading products provides performance optimizing and life safety solutions to our customers. Our products include mechanical products for heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration ("HVAC/R"), grilles, registers and diffusers, building safety solutions and high-performance specialty lubricants and sealants. End markets that we serve include HVAC/R, architecturally-specified building products, plumbing, energy, rail, mining and general industrial. Our manufacturing operations are concentrated in the United States ("U.S."), Canada and Vietnam, and we have distribution operations in the U.S., Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom ("U.K."). Our products are sold directly to end users or through designated channels in over 100 countries around the world, including: Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, China, Colombia, Germany, Japan, the Netherlands, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, South Africa, Sweden, the U.K., United Arab Emirates and the U.S.

Drawing on our innovative and proven technologies, we seek to deliver solutions primarily to our professional end-use customers that place a premium on superior performance and reliability. We believe our industrial brands are well-known in the specific end markets we serve and have a reputation for high quality. We rely on both organic growth and inorganic growth through acquisitions to provide an increasingly broad portfolio of performance optimizing solutions that meet our customers' ever-changing needs. We have a successful record of making attractive, synergistic acquisitions in support of this objective, and we remain focused on identifying additional acquisition opportunities in our core end markets.

Through our operating companies, we have a well-established legacy of providing high quality products accompanied by dependable service and attention to customer satisfaction. For example, our specialty lubricants were used on the excavation equipment for the Panama Canal. We also have a long history of innovation, and as an example, we believe that we were the pioneers of the acid neutralizer market, being the first to develop a method for removing internal acid from air conditioning and refrigeration systems. We partner with our customers to solve specific challenges and have developed a robust line of chemical and mechanical products. These products are distributed through an extensive wholesale distribution network serving the plumbing, industrial, HVAC/R, construction, electrical, and hardware market places. Many of our products have built a strong following among contractors due to their differentiated performance and from being the first to tackle challenges faced by the professional trades.

CSWI is a Delaware corporation and was incorporated in 2014 in anticipation of CSWI's separation from Capital Southwest Corporation ("Capital Southwest"); however, our history dates back many decades through our well-established operating companies. The separation was executed on September 30, 2015 through a pro-rata share distribution of all the then outstanding shares of common stock of CSWI to the holders of common stock of Capital Southwest (the "Share Distribution"). Since the separation, CSWI has been an independent, publicly-traded company, listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market.

Business Segments

We operate in two business segments: Industrial Products and Specialty Chemicals. The table below provides an overview of these business segments. For financial information regarding our segments, see Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 Financial Statements and Supplementary Data ("Item 8") of this Annual Report.

Business Segment	Principal Product Categories	Key End Use Markets	Representative Industrial Brands
Industrial Products	 Building safety products including custom-engineered railings and expansion joints Grilles, registers and diffusers Fire and smoke protection products Specialty mechanical products Storage, filtration and application equipment for use with our specialty chemicals and other products for general industrial applications 	Architecturally-specified building products Commercial construction General industrial Electrical HVAC/R Plumbing Rail car and locomotive	GRECO NOVENTO SMOKE S GUARD APPENDICE BALCO COISOFE REGISTERS & GRILLES
Specialty Chemicals	 Adhesives/solvent cements Anti-seize compounds Chemical formulations Degreasers and cleaners Drilling compounds Firestopping sealants and caulks Lubricants and greases Penetrants Pipe thread sealants 	Cement Commercial construction Electrical Energy General industrial HVAC/R Infrastructure drilling and boring Mining Oil and gas Plumbing Power generation Rail Steel Water well drilling	WWHITMORE JET-LUBE Metacaulk DEACON KATS COATINGS

Industrial Products

Our Industrial Products segment consists of: specialty mechanical products; grilles, registers and diffusers; fire and smoke protection products; architecturally-specified building products; and storage, filtration and application equipment for use with our specialty chemicals and other products for general industrial applications. Generally, we manufacture industrial products internally, although we strategically engage third-party manufacturers for certain products. We ensure the quality of internally-and externally-manufactured products through our stringent quality control review procedures. The safety and sustainability of our building products enables them to be easily incorporated into the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design ("LEED") Building market.

Our key product types and brand names are shown below:

PRODUCT TYPES	BRAND NAMES
Specialty Mechanical Products	
 specialty Mechanical Products air diffusers for use by professional air conditioning contractors condensate removal pumps and equipment mounting brackets condensate switches, traps and pans grilles, registers and diffusers decorative roof drain downspout nozzles drain waste and vent systems mechanical products ductless mini-split systems installation support tools and accessories equipment pads line set covers tamper resistant locking refrigerant caps wire pulling head tools 	 Airtec® AquaGuard® All-Access® ArmorPadTM Clean Check® EZ Trap® Fortress® Goliath® G-O-N® HubsetTM Kickstart® Magic Vent® Mighty BracketTM Novent® Safe-T-Switch® Slim DuctTM SureSeal® TitanTM TRUaire
	 Wire GrabberTM Wire SnaggerTM
Fire and Smoke Protection Products	wife Shagger
fire-rated and smoke-rated opening protective systems	FIRE+SMOKE®Smoke Guard®
Architecturally-Specified Building Products	
 architectural grating engineered railing entrance mats and grids expansion joint covers fire barriers partition closure systems photoluminescent egress markings and signage specialty silicone seals stair nosings trench and access covers 	 Balco® DuraFlexTM Greco® llumiTreadTM MetaBlock® MetaFlex® MetaGrateTM MetaMatTM Michael Rizza UltraGridTM
Storage, Filtration and Application Equipment	
lubrication application and management systems storage and filtration devices	 Air Sentry® Guardian® Oil Safe® Whitmore RailTM

New Product Development – Customer experience is a core competency in our Industrial Products segment. We gather "voice of the customer" market research through organized focus groups and online surveys, as well as through less formal channels. Ideas for new products or enhancements to existing products are also generated by our relationships with end users, independent sales representatives, distributors and our internal sales and marketing team. We also actively monitor the

competitive landscape. We develop new products and modify existing products in our research and development ("R&D") labs in Houston, Texas; Rockwall, Texas; Boise, Idaho; and Wichita, Kansas.

Competition – Our competition in the Industrial Products segment is varied. Competitors range from small entrepreneurial companies with a single product, to large multinational original equipment manufacturers ("OEMs"). In the specialty mechanical products category, we compete with Diversitech, Supco, Little Giant, Oatey, Mainline, Jay R. Smith and others. Most of our products are sold through distribution channels, and we compete in this channel based on breadth of product line, customer service and pricing. In the fire and smoke protection category, we compete with Won Door, Stoebich, McKeon and others, typically on the basis of product innovation, knowledge of building codes and customer service. In the architecturally-specified building products category, we compete primarily with Emseal, Inpro, and MM Systems on the basis of product innovation, price and driving architectural specifications. In the lubricant storage, filtration and transfer space, we compete with Des-Case, Hy-Pro, IFH and others on the basis of superior performance, brand strength and breadth of product line.

Customers — Our primary customers for specialty mechanical products are HVAC/R, plumbing and electrical wholesalers and distributors. Some of these are single location distributors, but many are regional or national in scope with hundreds of locations. The majority of these products are sold domestically; however, a small portion is sold internationally through similar channels, and a small number of OEMs purchase these products directly. Fire and smoke protection products are sold through internal sales and installation teams, as well as local building products distributors that also perform installations and service. Architecturally-specified building products are sold primarily through a network of distributors. Storage, filtration and application products are marketed and sold worldwide through a service-intensive distribution network.

Seasonality – A significant portion of our products are sold into the HVAC/R market, which is seasonal by nature. While products are sold throughout the year, revenues tend to peak during the spring and summer months.

Specialty Chemicals

Our Specialty Chemicals segment manufactures and supplies highly specialized consumables that impart or enhance properties such as lubricity, antiseize qualities, friction, sealing and heat control. In addition, the segment includes penetrants, pipe thread sealants, firestopping sealants and caulks and adhesives/solvent cements, which are primarily blended at our facilities to create proprietary premium products. These highly-specialized products are typically used in harsh operating conditions, including extreme heat and pressure and chemical exposure, where commodity products would fail. These products protect and extend the working life of large capital equipment such as cranes, rail systems, mining equipment, oil rigs and rotating and grinding equipment found in various industrial segments such as steel mills, canning and bottling, mining and cement. Additionally, our Specialty Chemicals segment blends and supplies specialty products used in the plumbing and building markets. These products enhance, repair or condition the internal working systems of both industrial and residential systems and are critical to ensuring safe, efficient and effective long-term operational integrity. The Specialty Chemicals segment also supplies products and services into the water well treatment space, which includes testing services and diagnosis of current conditions, coupled with consumable solutions to resolve any identified problems.

Our key product types and brand names are shown below:

PRODUCT TYPES	BRAND NAMES
• chemical sealants to stop air-conditioning refrigerant leaks	• BioRail®
• engineered specialty thread sealants designed to seal and secure metal	• Caliber®
• oil field anti-seize products for drilling and conveyance piping	• Deacon®
• open gear specialty lubricants for heavy equipment	• Decathalon®
 railroad track lubricants, conditioners and positive friction consumables 	$ullet$ Desol $\mathbf{v}^{ ext{TM}}$
• solvent cements and fire stop caulks	• Envirolube®
• specialty lubricants for various industrial applications	• Gearmate®
• specialty sealants for high temperature applications	• KATS Coatings®
• water well treatment products and services	• KOPR-KOTE®
	• Jet-Lube®
	• Leak Freeze®
	• Matrix®
	Medallion
	• Metacaulk®
	• No. 5®
	• Paragon TM
	• RailArmor®
	• Renewz TM
	• Sterilene®
	• Surstik®
	• Surtac®
	• T Plus 2®
	• TOR Armor®
	• Tru-Blu TM
	• Unicid TM
	• Well-Guard®

New Product Development — We develop relationships with end-users and channel partners to understand a multitude of operating conditions where technical innovation or enhancement is needed. For example, these relationships have generated innovation in the areas of modifying existing lubrication products to operate in arctic conditions or modifying an existing product for use in an application where saltwater may be present. The development teams located in Rockwall, Texas and Houston, Texas are also actively targeting additional end markets for product use and penetration.

Competition – In general, our products are specialty products that demand premium valuation, rather than commodity products, and competitors tend to be varied and include global, regional and local companies that may be large or small. We compete primarily on the basis of product differentiation, superior performance and quality and customer-centric service. The product sales cycle is often long when compared to many commodity consumables, typically resulting in quantified, verified and repeat product performance being the key driver of buying decisions, rather than price. As these products protect and enhance the operation of large capital equipment, qualification is based on the proof of value in application, resulting in a high changeover risk barrier. Typical competitors include Shell, Castrol, Fuchs and Exxon-Mobil. Competitors of our sealants and adhesives products include Dow Corning Corporation, Henkel, 3M Company, Specified Technologies Inc. and Hilti.

Customers – Specialty Chemicals products are primarily sold through value-added distribution partners, as well as maintenance and repair operations or catalog channels. Our Specialty Chemicals organization provides both market-specific and product line specific training to both the distribution partners and potential end users. Our specialists often visit end users with distribution partners to advise on critical application issues, which enhances our ability to both "pull" demand from the end-user and "push" demand to distributor partners. Specialty Chemicals customers include petrochemical facilities, industrial

manufacturers, construction companies, utilities, plant maintenance customers, building contractors and repair service companies.

Discontinued Operations

During the third quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018, we committed to a plan to divest our Strathmore Products business (the "Coatings business"). As a result, we reclassified the assets comprising that business to assets held-for-sale, and made a corresponding adjustment to our consolidated statements of operations to reflect discontinued operations for all periods presented. During the quarter ended September 30, 2018, we received an aggregate of \$6.9 million for the sale of assets that related to our Coatings business in multiple transactions. During the quarter ended March 31, 2020, we received \$1.5 million for the sale of the last remaining real property owned by our former Coatings business and, as such, we do not expect to have any ongoing results of discontinued operations related to the Coating business in future fiscal years.

Our Competitive Strengths

As discussed in this section, we believe we have a variety of competitive strengths.

Broad Portfolio of Industry Leading Products and Solutions

In our targeted end markets, we have leading industry positions among our broad portfolio of products. We believe our products and solutions are differentiated from those of our competitors by superior performance, quality and total value delivered to customers. For example, RectorSeal No. 5® pipe thread sealant is widely regarded as an industry standard for thread sealants for HVAC/R, plumbing and electrical configurations. Additionally, we believe KOPR-KOTE® anti-seize lubricant is recognized as the anti-seize compound of choice for use in oil and gas drilling operations, where it is requested by name.

Organic Revenue Growth Platform and Optimizing Performance

We focus on developing our presence in end markets with strong growth trends, continuously evaluating the potential uses of existing products to broaden end market penetration. We historically have a loyal customer base that recognizes the performance results and quality of our products and solutions. Further, our customer base is diverse. For the year ended March 31, 2021, no single customer represented 10% or more of our net revenues.

These factors have enabled us to generate strong organic revenue growth performance, while remaining focused on strong profitability through optimizing our manufacturing processes. This effort is supported by a culture of continuous improvement, looking to refine processes in all of our manufacturing facilities to reduce manufacturing costs, increase production capacity and improve product quality. Additionally, we often evaluate strategic investments to drive transformational changes in our manufacturing processes. For example, in both of our reportable segments, we have taken actions to consolidate our manufacturing footprint in order to optimize capacity, improve efficiency and leverage technologies while enhancing product quality.

Diverse Sales and Distribution Channels

Many of our products are sold through full-service distribution networks where product knowledge and customer satisfaction are key success factors. We primarily market through an international network of both internal and third-party sales representatives that call on our wholesale distributors, contractors and direct customers. The strong, long-term relationships we have developed with our wholesale distribution partners and exclusive dealers allow us to successfully introduce organically developed products and acquired products. In addition, our extensive distribution network allows us to reach and serve niche end markets that provide organic growth opportunities and a source of opportunities for our acquisition strategy.

Focus on Inorganic Growth Investment with Proven Track Record

We believe our experience in identifying, completing and integrating acquisitions is one of our core competitive strengths, as evidenced by our portfolio of more than 10 acquisitions completed since the inception of the Company. Historically, we have pursued product-line acquisitions with relatively low integration risk that have the potential to benefit from our extensive distribution network and manufacturing efficiencies. More recently, we began targeting commercially-proven products and solutions that are attractive in our existing end markets where we can drive revenue growth and improved profitability and cash flow.

In the third quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, we acquired T.A. Industries, Inc. ("TRUaire"), a leading manufacturer of grilles, registers, and diffusers for the residential and commercial HVAC/R end market, based in Santa Fe Springs, California. In the fourth quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019 and in early fiscal year 2020, we acquired two companies: MSD Research, Inc. ("MSD"), including its leading All-Access® line of air conditioning condensate switches and line cleanouts; and Petersen Metals, Inc. ("Petersen"), a designer, manufacturer and installer of engineered railings and safety systems for institutional and commercial structures in the Southeast U.S. We invested over \$400 million for all three acquisitions. We did not complete any acquisitions during the fiscal year ended March 31, 2018.

Culture of Product Enhancement and Customer-Centric Solutions

Our highly-trained and specialized personnel work closely with our customers, industry experts and research partners to continuously improve our existing products to meet evolving customer and end market requirements. We focus on product enhancements and product line extensions that are designed to meet the specific application needs of our professional end use customers. Customer-centric solutions underpin our strong industrial brands and reputation for high quality products, in turn leading us to realize improved customer retention and loyalty. Further, our ability to meet the needs of high-value, niche end markets with customized solutions that leverage our existing products has enabled us to differentiate ourselves from larger competitors that may not be as willing or able to respond quickly to evolving customer demands.

Amid the novel coronavirus ("COVID-19") pandemic, we have worked closely with our customers to provide them with the products and services that they need to continue conducting their operations. This includes ensuring that our supply chains are secure, that we maintain an adequate level of inventory to meet our customers' needs and that we remain able to operate our facilities at the levels required to meet customer demand.

Our Growth Strategy

We are focused on creating long-term stockholder value by increasing our revenue, profitability and cash flow. Identifying strategic end markets yielding sustainable growth, expanding market share through our new product development and targeted acquisitions are all components of our strategy.

We Leverage Existing Customer Relationships and Products and Solutions

We expect to drive revenue growth by leveraging our reputation for providing high quality products to our broad customer base. Our team of sales representatives, engineers and other technical personnel continues to proactively collaborate with our distributors and professional end user customers to enhance and adapt existing products and solutions to meet evolving customer needs. In addition, we seek to leverage our existing customer base to cross-sell our products and solutions across our two business segments, thereby driving organic growth.

We Innovate New Products to Accelerate Organic Growth

The collaborative relationships and open feedback channels we have with our distributors and end users allow us to add value not only through enhancing and adapting existing products and solutions, but also through efficiently developing new products and solutions to meet existing and future customer needs. Our research and development and sales and marketing personnel work together to identify product opportunities and methodically pursue development of innovative new products. Through developing new products and solutions to both address new markets and complement our product portfolio in markets we currently serve, we create increased opportunities to drive organic growth.

We Invest in Focused Acquisitions that Leverage our Distribution Channels

While we are focused on new product development, improving our existing products and penetrating new markets with these products, we expect to continue to identify and execute acquisitions that will broaden our portfolio of products and offer attractive risk-adjusted returns. We primarily focus on commercially proven products and solutions that would benefit from a broader distribution network and are attractive to customers in our targeted end markets. Once acquired, we strive to utilize our extensive distribution networks to increase revenue by selling those products and solutions to our diversified customer base.

Raw Materials and Suppliers

Our products are manufactured using various raw materials, including base oils, copper flake, steel, aluminum, polyvinyl chloride and tetrahydrofuran. These raw materials are available from numerous sources, and we do not depend on a single source of supply for any significant amount of raw materials. We are continuing to monitor the effect of the COVID-19 pandemic on raw materials in our supply chain, along with the related impact on our end markets, both of which are causing supply chain disruptions for many companies. While we do not currently anticipate significant shortages of raw materials, the

long-term impact of these events is uncertain and may cause isolated disruptions or generalized inefficiencies in our raw materials supply chain in the short term. In an effort to drive efficient margins, we generally purchase raw materials and components as needed.

Intellectual Property

We own and maintain a substantial portfolio of trademarks and patents relating to the names and designs of our products. We consider our trademarks and patents to be valuable assets. In addition, our pool of proprietary information, consisting of know-how and trade secrets related to the design, manufacture and operation of our products, is considered particularly valuable. Accordingly, we take proactive measures to protect proprietary information. In aggregate, we own the rights to the products that we manufacture and sell and are not materially encumbered by licensing or franchise agreements. Our trademarks can typically be renewed indefinitely as long as they remain in use, whereas our patents generally expire 10 to 20 years from the dates they were filed. Our patents expire from time to time, but we do not believe that the expiration of any individual patent will have a material adverse impact on our business, financial condition or results of operations.

Export Regulations

We are subject to export control regulations in countries from which we export products and services. These controls may apply by virtue of the country in which the products are located or by virtue of the origin of the content contained in the products. The level of control generally depends on the nature of the goods and services in question. Where controls apply, we typically need an export license or authorization (either on a per-product or per transaction basis) or the transaction must qualify for a license exception or the equivalent. In certain cases corresponding reporting requirements may apply. See Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report for financial and other information regarding our operations on a geographical basis.

Human Capital Management

We believe that our employees are our most valuable assets and that our skilled, engaged workforce provides us with a competitive advantage. As part of our commitment to our employees, we provide a safe work environment, ongoing training and professional development, competitive compensation and a generous health and retirement benefits package that includes paid time off, health and wellness care and available paid college tuition.

As of March 31, 2021, we employed approximately 2,300 individuals within our continuing operations globally. Regionally, approximately 900 of our employees are in North America, approximately 1,400 are in Asia Pacific, and approximately 10 are in Europe, the Middle East and Africa. Our workforce is made up of approximately 400 salaried employees and 1,900 hourly employees. Of these employees, approximately 1% of our U.S. workforce is represented by unions. We also have an employee works council in Vietnam. We believe relations with our employees throughout our operations are generally positive, including those employees represented by unions or works councils. No unionized facility accounted for more than 10% of our consolidated revenues for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

Workplace Health and Safety

We are committed to creating and maintaining a safe, healthy working environment, and we have developed a health and safety program that focuses on implementing policies and training programs to ensure all employees understand this commitment. Our health and safety strategies are consistently reviewed and updated as changes occur in our business, and employees are empowered to identify and report safety concerns and take corrective actions. Safety awareness and employee engagement programs have been implemented at the Company's facilities and have generated meaningful reductions in workplace safety incidents.

The COVID-19 pandemic has underscored for us the importance of keeping our employees safe and healthy. In response to the pandemic, the Company has taken actions aligned with the World Health Organization and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to protect our workforce so they can more safely and effectively perform their work. We manufacture products which are deemed essential to the critical infrastructure and all production sites have continued operating during the COVID-19 pandemic. As such, we have invested in creating physically safe work environments for our employees. Our health and safety focus is evident in our response to the COVID-19 pandemic and includes the following:

- · adding work from home flexibility
- encouraging those who are sick or have symptoms to stay home
- · increasing cleaning protocols across all locations
- · regular communications regarding health and safety protocols and procedures
- establishing physical distancing and personal protective equipment procedures for employees
- · providing masks and cleaning supplies

- implementing protocols to address actual and suspected COVID-19 cases and potential exposure
- limiting non-essential domestic and international travel for all employees

Training, Development and Ethics

Consistent with our belief that our employees are our most valuable assets, developing our people is a critical aspect of our culture. Successful execution of the Company's strategy depends on attracting and retaining highly qualified individuals. We provide developmental opportunities to help our employees build the skills necessary to reach their career goals, including on-the-job training, online learning, professional memberships, and leadership and management training. To help our employees see how their efforts contribute to our Company's overall success, we utilize a robust performance management process and provide regular feedback to increase engagement and maximize talent development efforts.

Our core values of integrity, respect, excellence, stewardship, citizenship, accountability and teamwork form the foundation for our decentralized, entrepreneurial culture, and our Code of Business Conduct represents our shared commitment to living out these core values with the highest level of ethical conduct. All our employees across the globe, including our executive officers, are required to abide by our Code of Business Conduct to ensure that our business is conducted in a consistently legal and ethical manner. Our Code of Business Conduct covers many topics, including conflicts of interest, anticorruption, financial reporting, confidentiality, insider trading, antitrust and competition law, cybersecurity and information security, appropriate use of social media, and respect in the workplace. All our employees receive training on all topics addressed in our Code of Business Conduct every year through on-line and in-person training, and are required to certify that they will comply with the Code.

Compensation and Benefits

We strive to support both the short-term and long-term well-being of our employees. This commitment extends to the communities in which our employees live, where we are positive, active corporate citizens. A key element of employee well-being is providing pay and benefits for our employees that are competitive and equitable based on local markets. We believe it is important to reward employees with competitive pay and benefits to recognize professional excellence and career progression.

Our employees are all eligible to participate in Company-subsidized medical, dental, vision, life and long-term disability insurance plans. We also provide employees with a paid supplemental life and accident insurance plan. We offer employees the opportunity to contribute to a Flexible Spending Account and a Health Savings Account. As part of our employee wellness program, and in an effort to encourage employees to participate, we provide financial incentives to our employees who choose to participate. Our retirement savings program includes a defined contribution plan plus an employee stock ownership plan ("ESOP") through which our employees collectively own approximately 5% of our company. We believe this ESOP strongly aligns the interests of our employees with those of our stockholders.

Diversity and Inclusion

We are committed to promoting equal employment opportunity in all of our operations. We also believe that a truly innovative workforce needs to be diverse and leverage the skills and perspectives of a broad range of backgrounds and experiences. It is our policy, specifically noted in the Company's Code of Business Conduct, that we do not tolerate discrimination for any reason, including without limitation race, color, religion, martial status, gender, gender identity, veteran status, sexual orientation, disability or perceived disability, whether or not such discrimination violates law. It is also our policy to comply fully with all laws prohibiting discrimination and promoting opportunity and advancement in employment. This policy extends to all aspects of employment opportunity including recruitment, hiring, compensation, benefits, promotion, transfer, layoff, recall, reduction in force, termination, retirement, placement, training and all other privileges, terms and conditions of employment. These initiatives align with our goal of creating a positive and dynamic workplace where all employees can flourish.

Government Regulations

Our operations are subject to certain foreign, federal, state and local regulatory requirements relating to environmental, waste management, labor and health and safety matters. Management believes that our business is operated in material compliance with all such regulations. To date, the cost of such compliance has not had a material impact on our capital expenditures, earnings or competitive position or that of our operating subsidiaries. While we have implemented policies, practices and procedures to prevent and mitigate risks, violations may occur in the future as a result of human error, equipment failure or other causes. Further, we cannot predict the nature, scope or effect of future environmental legislation or regulatory requirements that could be imposed, or how existing or future laws or regulations will be administered or interpreted.

Available Information

We file annual, quarterly and current reports, proxy statements and other information with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"). Our SEC filings are available to the public at the SEC's website (www.sec.gov). We also make these filings available free of charge on our website (www.cswindustrials.com) as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file those documents with the SEC.

Also available on our website are our Corporate Governance Guidelines and Code of Business Conduct, as well as the charters for the Audit, Compensation & Talent Development, and Nominating & Corporate Governance Committees of our Board of Directors and other important governance documents. All of the foregoing may be obtained through our website noted above and are available in print without charge to stockholders who request them. The information on or accessible through our website is not incorporated by reference into, or otherwise made part of, this Annual Report or any other document we file with or furnish to the SEC.

ITEM 1A: RISK FACTORS

Consider carefully the following risk factors, which we believe are the principal risks that we face and of which we are currently aware, and the other information in this Annual Report, including our consolidated financial statements and related notes to those financial statements. It is possible that additional risks and uncertainties not presently known to us, or that we currently deem immaterial, may also impair our business operations. Furthermore, the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic may exacerbate the risks discussed in this Annual Report, which could have a material effect on the Company.

Market, Economic and Geopolitical Risks

Adverse changes in global economic conditions, particularly in the U.S. and including changes resulting from the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, could materially adversely affect our financial position, results of operations and cash flows.

Our served industries and key end markets are affected by changes in economic conditions outside our control, which can affect our business in many ways. We are closely monitoring the potential impact on our business resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and the corresponding decline in economic activity, in particular the effect it may have on demand for our products in the short and long term. Reduced demand may cause us and our competitors to compete on the basis of price, which would have a negative impact on our revenues and profitability. In turn, this could cause us to not be able to satisfy the financial and other covenants to which we are subject under our existing indebtedness. Reduced demand may also hinder our growth plans and otherwise delay or impede execution of our long-term strategic plan and capital allocation strategy. If there is deterioration in the general economy or in the industries we serve, our business, results of operations and financial condition could be materially adversely affected.

The industries in which we operate are highly competitive, and many of our products are in highly competitive markets. We may lose market share to producers of other products that directly compete with or that can be substituted for our products.

The industries in which we operate are highly competitive, and we face significant competition from both large domestic and international competitors and from smaller regional competitors. Our competitors may improve their competitive position in our served markets by successfully introducing new or substitute products, improving their manufacturing processes or expanding their capacity or manufacturing facilities. Further, some of our competitors benefit from advantageous cost positions that could make it increasingly difficult for us to compete in markets for less-differentiated applications. If we are unable to keep pace with our competitors' products and manufacturing process innovations or cost position, our financial condition and results of operations could be materially adversely affected.

Certain end markets that we serve are cyclical, which can cause significant fluctuations in our results of operations and cash flows.

The cyclical nature of the supply and demand balance of certain end markets that we serve, including manufacturing, construction, energy and mining, poses risks to us that are beyond our control and can affect our operating results. These markets are highly competitive; are driven to a large extent by enduse markets; and may experience overcapacity, all of which may affect demand for and pricing of our products and result in volatile operating results and cash flows over our business cycle. Our operations and earnings may also be significantly affected by changes in oil, gas and petrochemical prices and drilling activities, which depend on local, regional and global events or conditions that affect supply and demand for the relevant commodity. Additionally, the cyclical nature of these end markets could be further exaggerated or interrupted by the

effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which in turn could significantly affect demand for our products. Product demand may not be sufficient to utilize current or future capacity. Excess industry capacity may continue to depress our volumes and margins on some products. Our operating results, accordingly, may be volatile as a result of excess industry capacity, as well as from rising energy and raw materials costs.

Growth of our business will depend in part on market awareness of our industrial brands, and any failure to develop, maintain, protect or enhance our industrial brands would hurt our ability to retain or attract customers.

We believe that building and maintaining market awareness, brand recognition and goodwill is critical to our success. This will depend largely on our ability to continue to provide high-quality products, and we may not be able to do so effectively. Our efforts in developing our industrial brands may be affected by the marketing efforts of our competitors and our reliance on our independent dealers, distributors and strategic partners to promote our industrial brands effectively. If we are unable to cost-effectively maintain and increase positive awareness of our industrial brands, our businesses, results of operations and financial condition could be harmed.

Climate change could have an adverse effect on our business.

While we seek to mitigate our business risks associated with climate change, we recognize that there are inherent climate related risks wherever business is conducted, and climate change could create physical and financial risk to our business. Physical risks from climate change could, among other things, include an increase in extreme weather events (such as floods, tornados or hurricanes), limitations on availability in water and reliable energy, and the health and well-being of individuals in communities where we conduct business. Additionally, climate change-driven environmental and social regulations may negatively impact our business, our customers or our suppliers, in terms of availability and cost of natural resources, product demand or manufacturing. Such events have the potential to disrupt our business, our third-party suppliers or the businesses of our customers, which in turn could have an adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations.

Business, Operations and Human Capital Risks

Our attempts to address evolving customer needs require that we continually enhance our products. Our efforts to enhance our products may not be commercially viable and failure to develop commercially successful products or keep pace with our competitors could harm our business and results of operations.

A failure to develop commercially successful products or product enhancements or to identify product extensions could materially adversely affect our financial results. If our attempts to develop or enhance products are unsuccessful, we may be unable to recover our development costs, which could have an adverse effect on our business and results of operations. In addition, our inability to enhance or develop products that can meet the evolving needs of our customers, including a failure to do so that results in our products lagging those of new or existing competitors, could reduce demand for our products and may have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

Our international sales and manufacturing operations, including our use of third party manufacturers for certain products that we sell, involve inherent risks that could result in harm to our business.

We have worldwide sales and manufacturing operations, including in North America, Europe, the Middle East, Australia and Asia. We also use third parties to manufacture certain of our products, most of which are located in jurisdictions outside the United States, including China. Foreign sales and manufacturing are subject to a number of risks, including political and economic uncertainty, social unrest, sudden changes in laws and regulations (including those enacted in response to pandemics), ability to enforce existing or future contracts, labor shortages and work stoppages, natural disasters, currency exchange rate fluctuations, transportation delays or loss or damage to products in transit, expropriation, nationalization, compliance with foreign laws and changes in domestic and foreign governmental policies, including the imposition of new or increased tariffs and duties on exported and imported products.

To the extent that we rely on independent third parties to perform sales and manufacturing functions, we do not directly control their activity, including product delivery schedules and quality assurance, which may result in product shortages or quality assurance problems that could delay shipments of products, increase manufacturing, assembly, testing or other costs, or diminish our brand recognition or relationships with our customers. If a third party sales representative or manufacturer experiences capacity constraints or financial difficulties, suffers damage to its facilities, experiences power outages, natural disasters, labor shortages or labor strikes, or any other disruption, we may not be able to obtain alternative resources in a timely manner or on commercially acceptable terms. Any of these factors could negatively affect our business, results of operations and financial condition.

Loss of key suppliers, the inability to secure raw materials on a timely basis, or our inability to pass commodity price increases on to customers could have an adverse effect on our business.

Materials used in our manufacturing operations are generally available on the open market from multiple sources. However, some of the raw materials we use are only available from a limited number of sources. Accordingly, any disruptions to a critical suppliers' operations could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations. We are closely monitoring the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and other macroeconomic conditions on our supply chain, which is causing supply chains for many companies to be interrupted, slowed or temporarily rendered inoperable. While we believe many challenges are temporary and can be managed in the near-term, our business and results of operations could be materially adversely affected by prolonged or increasing supply chain disruptions. Availability and cost of raw materials could be affected by a number of factors, including the condition of the energy industry and other commodity prices; tariffs and duties on imported materials; foreign currency exchange rates; and phases of the general business cycle and global demand. We may be unable to pass along price increases to our customers, which could have a material adverse effect on our business and results of operations.

We rely on independent distributors as a channel to market for many of our products. Termination of a substantial number of our distributor relationships or an increase in a distributor's sales of our competitors' products could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

We depend on the services of domestic and international independent distributors to sell our products and, in many cases, provide service and aftermarket support to end users of our products. Rather than serving as passive conduits for delivery of products, our distributors play a significant role in determining which of our products are available for purchase by contractors to service end users. While the use of distributors expands the reach and customer base for our products, the maintenance and administration of distributor relationships is costly and time consuming. The loss of a substantial number of our distributors, for any reason, including among others changing market conditions resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows. In certain international jurisdictions, distributors are conferred certain legal rights that could limit our ability to modify or terminate distribution relationships.

Many of the distributors with whom we transact business also offer competitors' products and services to our customers. An increase in the distributors' sales of our competitors' products to our customers, or a decrease in the number of our products the distributor makes available for purchase, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or cash flows.

Our insurance policies may not cover, or fully cover, us against natural disasters, global conflicts or environmental risk.

We currently have insurance policies for certain business risks, which include property damage, business interruption, operational and product liability, transit, directors' and officers' liability, cybersecurity, industrial accident and other risks customary in the industries in which we operate. However, we may become subject to liability (including in relation to pollution, occupational illnesses, injury resulting from tampering, product contamination or degeneration or other hazards) against which we have not insured or cannot fully insure.

For example, hurricanes may affect our facilities or the failure of our information systems as a result of breakdown, malicious attacks, unauthorized access, viruses or other factors could severely impair several aspects of operations, including, but not limited to, logistics, revenues, customer service and administration. In addition, in the event that a product liability or third-party liability claim is brought against us, we may be required to recall our products in certain jurisdictions if they fail to meet relevant quality or safety standards, and we cannot guarantee that we will be successful in making an insurance claim under our policies or that the claimed proceeds will be sufficient to compensate the actual damages suffered.

Should we suffer a major uninsured loss, a product liability judgment against us or a product recall, future earnings could be materially adversely affected. We could be required to increase our debt or divert resources from other investments in our business to discharge product related claims. In addition, adverse publicity in relation to our products could have a significant effect on future revenues, and insurance may not continue to be available at economically acceptable premiums. As a result, our insurance coverage may not cover the full scope and extent of claims against us or losses that we incur.

Cybersecurity breaches and other disruptions to our information technology systems could compromise our information, disrupt our operations, and expose us to liability, which may adversely impact our operations.

In the ordinary course of our business, we store sensitive data, including our proprietary business information and that of our customers, suppliers and business partners, and personally identifiable information of our employees in our information technology systems, including in our data centers and on our networks. The secure processing, maintenance and transmission of this data is critical to our operations. Despite our efforts to secure our information systems from cyber-security attacks or breaches, our information technology systems may be vulnerable to attacks by hackers or breached or disrupted due to

employee error, malfeasance or other disruptions. Although such attempts have been made to attack our information technology systems, no material harm has resulted. Any such attack, breach or disruption could compromise our information technology systems and the information stored in them could be accessed, publicly disclosed, lost or stolen and our business operations could be disrupted. Additionally, any significant disruption or slowdown of our systems could cause customers to cancel orders or cause standard business processes to become inefficient or ineffective, which could adversely affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows. Any such access, disclosure or other loss of information or business disruption could result in legal claims or proceedings, liability under laws that protect the privacy of personal information, and damage to our reputation, which could adversely impact our operations.

Our relationships with our employees could deteriorate, which could adversely affect our operations.

As a manufacturing company, we rely on a positive relationship with our employees to produce our products and maintain our production processes and productivity. As of March 31, 2021, we had approximately 2,300 full-time employees, of which approximately 22 were subject to collective bargaining agreements, and approximately 1,400 of which are located in Vietnam. If our workers were to engage in a strike, work stoppage or other slowdown, our operations could be disrupted, or we could experience higher labor costs. In addition, if significant portions of our employees were to become unionized, we could experience significant operating disruptions and higher ongoing labor costs, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Loss of key personnel or our inability to attract and retain new qualified personnel could hurt our business and inhibit our ability to operate and grow successfully.

Our success in the highly competitive end markets in which we operate will continue to depend to a significant extent on the experience and expertise of our senior leaders. Loss of the services of any of these individuals could have an adverse effect on our business. Further, we may not be able to retain or recruit qualified individuals to join our company. The loss of executive officers or other key employees could result in high transition costs and could disrupt our operations.

Strategic Transactions and Investments Risks

Our acquisition and integration of businesses could negatively impact our financial results.

Inorganic growth is an important part of our strategic growth plans, and we seek to acquire businesses, some of which may be material, in pursuit of our plans. Acquiring businesses involves a number of financial, accounting, managerial, operational, legal, compliance and other risks and challenges, including the following, any of which could adversely affect our financial statements:

- we may experience difficulty in identifying appropriate acquisition candidates;
- any acquired business, technology, service or product could under-perform relative to our expectations and the price that we paid for it, not
 achieve cost savings or other synergies in accordance with our anticipated timetable or require us to take an impairment related to the acquired
 business:
- we may decide to divest businesses, technologies, services or products for financial, strategic or other reasons, which may require significant financial and managerial resources and may result in unfavorable accounting treatment;
- we may incur or assume significant debt in connection with our acquisitions, which would increase our leverage and interest expense, thereby reducing funds available to us for purposes such as working capital, capital expenditures, research and development and other general corporate purposes;
- pre-closing and post-closing earnings and charges could adversely impact operating results in any given period, and the impact may be substantially different from period to period;
- the process of integrating acquired operations may create operating difficulties and may require significant financial and managerial resources that would otherwise be available for existing operations;
- we could experience difficulty in integrating financial and other controls and systems;
- we may lose key employees or customers of the acquired company;
- we may assume liabilities that are unknown or for which our indemnification rights are insufficient, or known or contingent liabilities may be greater than anticipated;
- conforming the acquired company's standards, process, procedures and controls, including accounting systems and controls, with our operations
 could cause deficiencies related to our internal control over financial reporting or exposure to regulatory sanctions resulting from the acquired
 company's activities; and
- the COVID-19 pandemic may impact our ability to conduct due diligence on acquisitions in the normal manner, including forecasting future
 financial performance, which could cause a delay in executing transactions until alternate methods of due diligence are determined or the impacted
 due diligence is able to be conducted by customary means.

As a result of the TRUaire acquisition, we have become subject to risks relating to the business conducted by TRUaire.

Following the consummation of the TRUaire acquisition, we have become subject to a variety of risks relating to the business conducted by TRUaire, many of which we have already faced in our business and that are described in further detail within other risk factors. Some of the specific risks facing TRUaire include risks relating to the residential and commercial HVAC/R end market, including general conditions in the industry, changes in current or new regulations and legislation and potential structural changes in the industry; additional information technology risks, including cyber security and data privacy risks relating to TRUaire's services; risks relating to intellectual property held or used by TRUaire; the ability of TRUaire's services to adequately compete with the products and services offered by other companies, including through attracting new customers and retaining or selling additional products and service offerings to existing customers; risks relating to current and future legal proceedings involving TRUaire; risks relating to labor and employment, including employee relations and the potential loss of key personnel; risks relating to manufacturing products and operating in Vietnam, including environmental, health and safety laws, uncertainty of local laws and possible economic or political disruption; risks relating to U.S. trade policies; and risks relating to foreign currency exchange rates.

The occurrence of any of such risks could have a material adverse impact on the financial condition, business or results of operations of TRUaire, which could impair or eliminate our ability to achieve the expected cost savings and synergies from the TRUaire acquisition on a timely basis, if ever, or could impair our ability to achieve such cost savings and synergies without adversely affecting our current revenues or investments in future growth. Additionally, the occurrence of any such risks could impair our ability to integrate the business of TRUaire with our businesses in an efficient and timely manner, if at all.

We may be unable to successfully execute and realize the expected financial benefits from strategic initiatives.

From time to time, our business has engaged in strategic initiatives, and such activities may occur in the future. These efforts have included consolidating manufacturing facilities, rationalizing our manufacturing processes, and more recently, establishing a joint venture within our Specialty Chemicals segment.

While we expect meaningful financial benefits from our strategic initiatives, we may not realize the full benefits expected within the anticipated time frame. Adverse effects from strategy-driven organizational change could interfere with our realization of anticipated synergies, customer service improvements and cost savings from these strategic initiatives. Additionally, our ability to fully realize the benefits and implement strategic initiatives may be limited by certain contractual commitments. Moreover, we may incur substantial expenses in connection with the execution of strategic plans in excess of what is forecasted. Further, strategic initiatives can be a complex and time-consuming process that can place substantial demands on management, which could divert attention from other business priorities or disrupt our daily operations. Any of these failures could materially adversely affect our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows, which could constrain our liquidity.

Changes in future business or other market conditions could cause business investments and/or recorded goodwill or other long-term assets to become impaired, resulting in substantial losses and write-downs that would materially adversely affect our results of operations and financial condition.

From time to time, we acquire businesses, following careful analysis and due diligence procedures designed to achieve a desired return or strategic objective. These procedures often involve certain assumptions and judgments in determining acquisition price. After acquisition, such assumptions and judgments may prove to be inaccurate due to a variety of circumstances, which could adversely affect the anticipated returns or which are otherwise not recoverable as an adjustment to the purchase price. Additionally, actual operating results for an acquisition may vary significantly from initial estimates. As of March 31, 2021, we had goodwill of \$218.8 million recorded in our consolidated balance sheet, the majority of which was recorded in connection with the TRUaire acquisition. We evaluate the recoverability of recorded goodwill annually, as well as when we change reporting units and when events or circumstances indicate the possibility of impairment. Because of the significance of our goodwill and other intangible assets, a future impairment of these assets could have a material adverse effect on our results of operations and financial condition. For additional information on our accounting policies related to goodwill, see our discussion under Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements in Item 8 of this Annual Report.

Financial Risks

Our outstanding indebtedness and the restrictive covenants in the agreements governing our indebtedness limit our operating and financial flexibility.

We are required to make scheduled repayments and, under certain events of default, accelerated repayments on our outstanding indebtedness, which may require us to dedicate a substantial portion of our cash flows from operations to payments on our indebtedness. Such repayment requirements could reduce the availability of our cash flows to fund working capital, capital expenditures, R&D efforts and other general corporate purposes, and could generally limit our flexibility in planning for, or reacting to, changes in our business and industry.

In addition, the agreements governing our indebtedness impose certain operating and financial restrictions on us and somewhat limit management's discretion in operating our businesses. These agreements limit or restrict our ability, among other things, to: incur additional debt; pay dividends and make other distributions; make investments and other restricted payments; create liens; sell assets; and enter into transactions with affiliates.

In the event we incur additional indebtedness, the risks described above could increase. In addition, certain or our variable rate indebtedness use the London Inter-bank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") as a benchmark for establishing the rate of interest. LIBOR has been the subject of national, international, and other regulatory guidance and proposals for reform, and it is currently expected that LIBOR will be discontinued after June 2023. While our material financing agreements indexed to LIBOR provide for an alternative base rate that could be applied in the event that LIBOR is discontinued, there can be no assurances as to whether such alternative base rate will be more or less favorable than LIBOR. We intend to monitor developments with respect to the phasing out of LIBOR and will work to minimize the impact of any LIBOR transitions. The consequences of these developments cannot be entirely predicted but could include an increase in the cost of variable rate indebtedness.

We are also required to comply with leverage and interest coverage financial covenants and deliver to our lenders audited annual and unaudited quarterly financial statements. Our ability to comply with these covenants may be affected by events beyond our control. Failure to comply with these covenants could result in an event of default that, if not cured or waived, may have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows.

Fluctuations in currency exchange rates may significantly impact our results of operations and may significantly affect the comparability of our results between financial periods.

Our operations are conducted in many countries. The results of the operations and the financial position of these subsidiaries are reported in the relevant foreign currencies and then translated into U.S. dollars at the applicable exchange rates for inclusion in our consolidated financial statements. The main currencies to which we are exposed, besides the U.S. dollar, are primarily the Australian dollar, the British pound, the Canadian dollar and the Vietnamese Dong. The exchange rates between these currencies and the U.S. dollar in recent years have fluctuated significantly and may continue to do so in the future for a variety of reasons, including general economic conditions and event-driven circumstances. For example, the dynamics and uncertainties associated with the U.K.'s exit from the European Union ("Brexit") could produce significant fluctuations in global currency exchange rates. A depreciation of these currencies against the U.S. dollar will decrease the U.S. dollar equivalent of the amounts derived from these operations reported in our consolidated financial statements, and an appreciation of these currencies will result in a corresponding increase in such amounts.

Because many of our raw material costs are determined with respect to the U.S. dollar rather than these currencies, depreciation of these currencies may have an adverse effect on our profit margins or our reported results of operations. Conversely, to the extent that we are required to pay for goods or services in foreign currencies, the appreciation of such currencies against the U.S. dollar will tend to negatively impact our results of operations. In addition, currency fluctuations may affect the comparability of our results of operations between financial periods.

We incur currency transaction risk whenever we enter into either a purchase or sale transaction using a currency other than the local currency of the transacting entity. Given the volatility of exchange rates, there can be no assurance that we will be able to effectively manage our currency transaction risks, that our hedging activities will be effective or that any volatility in currency exchange rates will not have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

Changes in effective tax rates or adverse outcomes resulting from examination of our income tax returns could adversely affect our results.

Our future effective tax rates could be adversely affected by changes in tax laws, regulations, accounting principles or interpretations thereof, which can impact our current and future years' tax provision. The effect of such tax law changes or regulations and interpretations, as well as any additional tax reform legislation in the U.S., U.K, Canada, Australia, Vietnam or elsewhere, could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations. In addition, we are also subject to periodic examination of our income tax returns by the Internal Revenue Service and other tax authorities. We regularly assess the likelihood of adverse outcomes resulting from these examinations to determine the adequacy of our provision for income taxes. As of March 31, 2021, we had a reserve of \$13.2 million relating to uncertain tax positions, and taxing authorities may disagree with the positions we have taken regarding the tax treatment or characterization of our transactions. There can be no assurance that the outcomes from these examinations will not have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

We may acquire various structured financial instruments for purposes of hedging or reducing our risks, which may be costly and ineffective.

We may seek to hedge against commodity price fluctuations and credit risk by using structured financial instruments such as futures, options, swaps and forward contracts. Use of structured financial instruments for hedging purposes may present significant risks, including the risk of loss of the amounts invested. Defaults by the other party to a hedging transaction can result in losses in the hedging transaction. Hedging activities also involve the risk of an imperfect correlation between the hedging instrument and the asset being hedged, which could result in losses both on the hedging transaction and on the instrument being hedged. Use of hedging activities may not prevent significant losses and could increase our losses.

We may inadvertently fail to maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting.

Effective internal controls are necessary for us to provide reliable financial reports, effectively prevent fraud and operate successfully as a public company. If we cannot provide reliable financial reports or effectively prevent fraud, our reputation and operating results could be harmed. If we are unable to maintain effective disclosure controls and procedures and internal controls over financial reporting, we may not be able to provide reliable financial reports, which in turn could affect our operating results or cause us to fail to meet our reporting obligations. Ineffective internal controls could also cause investors to lose confidence in reported financial information, which could negatively affect our stock price, limit our ability to access capital markets in the future, and require additional costs to improve internal control systems and procedures.

Legal and Regulatory Risks

Regulatory and statutory changes applicable to us or our customers could adversely affect our financial condition and results of operations.

We and many of our customers are subject to various national, state and local laws, rules and regulations. Changes in any of these areas could result in additional compliance costs, seizures, confiscations, recall or monetary fines, any of which could prevent or inhibit the development, distribution and sale of our products.

In addition, we benefit from certain regulations, including building code regulations, which require the use of products that we and other manufacturers sell. For example, certain environmental regulations may encourage the use of more environmentally friendly products, such as some of the lubricants and greases that we manufacture. If these regulations were to change, demand for our products could be reduced and our results of operations could be adversely affected.

Compliance with extensive environmental, health and safety laws could require material expenditures, changes in our operations or site remediation.

Our operations and properties are subject to regulation under environmental laws, which can impose substantial sanctions for violations. We must conform our operations to applicable regulatory requirements and adapt to changes in such requirements in all jurisdictions in which we operate. Certain materials we use in the manufacture of our products can represent potentially significant health and safety concerns. We use hazardous substances and generate hazardous wastes in certain of our manufacturing operations. Consequently, our operations are subject to extensive environmental, health and safety laws and regulations at the international, national, state and local level in multiple jurisdictions. These laws and regulations govern, among other things, air emissions, wastewater discharges, solid and hazardous waste management, site remediation programs and chemical use and management. Many of these laws and regulations have become more stringent over time, and the costs of compliance with these requirements may increase, including costs associated with any necessary capital investments. In addition, our production facilities require operating permits that are subject to renewal and, in some circumstances, revocation. The necessary permits may not be issued or continue in effect, and renewals of any issued permits may contain significant new requirements or restrictions. The nature of the chemical industry exposes us to risks of liability due to the use, production, management, storage, transportation and sale of materials that may be hazardous and can cause contamination or personal injury or damage if released into the environment.

Compliance with environmental laws and regulations generally increases the costs of transportation and storage of raw materials and finished products, as well as the costs of storage and disposal of wastes. We may incur substantial costs, including fines, damages, criminal or civil sanctions and remediation costs, or experience interruptions in our operations for violations arising under environmental laws, regulations or permit requirements.

We are subject to the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other anti-corruption laws, as well as other laws governing our operations. If we fail to comply with these laws, we could be subject to civil or criminal penalties, other remedial measures, and legal expenses, which could adversely affect our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our operations are subject to anti-corruption laws, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"), and other anti-corruption laws that apply in countries where we do business. The FCPA and these other laws generally prohibit us and our employees and intermediaries from bribing, being bribed or making other prohibited payments to government officials or other persons to obtain or retain business or gain some other business advantage. We conduct business in a number of jurisdictions that pose a high risk of potential FCPA violations, and we participate in relationships with third parties whose actions could potentially subject us to liability under the FCPA or other anti-corruption laws. In addition, we cannot predict the nature, scope or effect of future regulatory requirements to which our international operations might be subject or the manner in which existing laws might be administered or interpreted.

We are also subject to other laws and regulations governing our international operations, including regulations administered by the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security, the U.S. Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control and various non-U.S. government entities, including applicable export control regulations, economic sanctions on countries and persons, customs requirements, currency exchange regulations and transfer pricing regulations (collectively, "Trade Control Laws").

We have and maintain a compliance program with policies, procedures and employee training to help ensure compliance with applicable anti-corruption laws and the Trade Control Laws. However, despite our compliance programs, there is no assurance that we will be completely effective in ensuring our compliance with all applicable anti-corruption laws, including the FCPA or other legal requirements, or Trade Control Laws. If we are not in compliance with the FCPA and other anti-corruption laws or Trade Control Laws, we may be subject to criminal and civil penalties, disgorgement and other sanctions and remedial measures, and legal expenses, which could have an adverse impact on our business, financial condition, results of operations and liquidity.

Likewise, any investigation of any potential violations of the FCPA, other anti-corruption laws or Trade Control Laws by the U.S. or foreign authorities could also have an adverse impact on our reputation, business, financial condition and results of operations.

Our permits, licenses, registrations or authorizations and those of our customers or distributors may be modified, suspended, terminated or revoked before their expiration or we and/or they may be unable to renew them upon their expiration. We may bear liability for failure to obtain, maintain or comply with required authorizations.

We are required to obtain and maintain, and may be required to obtain and maintain in the future, various permits, licenses, registrations and authorizations for the ownership or operation of our business, including the manufacturing, distribution, sale and marketing of our products and importing of raw materials. These permits, licenses, registrations and authorizations could be modified, suspended, terminated or revoked or we may be unable to renew them upon their expiration for various reasons, including for non-compliance. These permits, licenses, registrations and authorizations can be difficult, costly and time consuming to obtain and could contain conditions that limit our operations. Our failure to obtain, maintain and comply with necessary permits, licenses, registrations or authorizations for the conduct of our business could result in fines or penalties, which may be significant. Additionally, any such failure could restrict or otherwise prohibit certain aspects of our operations, which could have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Many of our customers and distributors require similar permits, licenses, registrations and authorizations to operate. If a significant customer, distributor or group thereof were to lose an important permit, license, registration or authorization, forcing them to cease or reduce their business, our revenues could decrease, which would have a material adverse effect on our business, financial condition and results of operations.

Chemical processing is inherently hazardous, which could result in accidents that disrupt our operations or expose us to significant losses or liabilities.

Hazards associated with chemical processing and the related storage and transportation of raw materials, products and wastes exist in our operations and the operations of other occupants with whom we share manufacturing sites. These hazards could lead to an interruption or suspension of operations and have an adverse effect on the productivity and profitability of a particular manufacturing facility or on us as a whole. These potential risks include, but are not necessarily limited to, chemical spills and other discharges or releases of toxic or hazardous substances or gases, pipeline and storage tank leaks and ruptures, explosions and fires and mechanical failure. These hazards may result in personal injury and loss of life, damage to property and contamination of the environment, which may result in a suspension of operations and the imposition of civil or criminal penalties, including governmental fines, expenses for remediation and claims brought by governmental entities or third parties. The loss or shutdown of operations over an extended period at any of our major operating facilities could have a material adverse effect on our financial condition and results of operations. Our property, business interruption and casualty insurance may not fully insure us against all potential hazards incidental to our business.

Regulation of our employees' exposure to certain chemicals or other hazardous products could require material expenditures or changes in our operations.

Certain chemicals and other raw materials that we use in the manufacture of our products may have adverse health effects. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration limits the permissible employee exposure to some of those materials. Future studies on the health effects of certain chemicals and materials may result in additional or new regulations that further restrict or prohibit the use of, and exposure to, certain chemicals and materials. Additional regulation of certain chemicals and materials could require us to change our operations, and these changes could affect the quality of our products and materially increase our costs.

We may be unable to protect our trademarks, trade secrets, other intellectual property and proprietary information, which could harm our competitive position.

Our ability to protect and preserve our trademarks, trade secrets and other intellectual property and proprietary information relating to our business is an important factor to our success. However, we may be unable to prevent third parties from using our intellectual property and other proprietary information without our authorization or from independently developing intellectual property and other proprietary information that is similar to ours, particularly in those countries where the laws do not protect our proprietary rights to the same degree as in the U.S. In addition, because certain of our products are manufactured by third parties, we have necessarily shared some of our intellectual property with those third parties. There can be no guarantee that those third parties, some of whom are located in jurisdictions where intellectual property risks may be more pronounced, will comply with contractual and other legal commitments to preserve and protect our intellectual property.

The use of our intellectual property and other proprietary information by others could reduce or eliminate any competitive advantage we have developed, potentially causing us to lose sales or otherwise harm our business. If it becomes necessary for us to litigate to protect these rights, any proceedings could be burdensome and costly, and we may not prevail.

Our intellectual property may not provide us with any competitive advantage and may be challenged by third parties. Moreover, our competitors may already hold or in the future may hold intellectual property rights in the U.S. or abroad that, if enforced or issued, could possibly prevail over our rights or otherwise limit our ability to manufacture or sell one or more of our products in the U.S. or internationally. Despite our efforts, we may be sued for infringing on the intellectual property rights of others. This litigation is costly and, even if we prevail, the costs of such litigation could adversely affect our financial condition.

Adequate remedies may not be available in the event of an unauthorized use or disclosure of our trade secrets and manufacturing expertise. The loss of employees who have specialized knowledge and expertise could harm our competitive position and cause our revenues and operating results to decline as a result of increased competition. In addition, others may obtain knowledge of our trade secrets through independent development or other access by legal means.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Annual Report contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These statements reflect the current views of our senior management with respect to future events and our financial performance. These statements include forward-looking statements with respect to our business and industry in general. Statements that include the words "may," "expects," "plans," "anticipates," "believes," "potential," "projects," "forecasts," "intends," or the negative thereof or other comparable terminology and similar statements of a future or forward-looking nature identify forward-looking statements for purposes of the federal securities laws or otherwise.

Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements that relate to, or statements that are subject to risks, contingencies or uncertainties that relate to:

- our business strategy;
- future levels of revenues, operating margins, income from operations, net income or earnings per share;
- anticipated levels of demand for our products and services;
- short and long-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic;
- future levels of research and development, capital, environmental or maintenance expenditures;
- our beliefs regarding the timing and effects on our business of health and safety, tax, environmental or other legislation, rules and regulations;
- · the success or timing of completion of ongoing or anticipated capital, restructuring or maintenance projects;
- expectations regarding the acquisition or divestiture of assets and businesses;
- · our ability to obtain appropriate insurance and indemnities;

- the potential effects of judicial or other proceedings, including tax audits, on our business, financial condition, results of operations and cash flows:
- the anticipated effects of actions of third parties such as competitors, or federal, foreign, state or local regulatory authorities, or plaintiffs in litigation;
- · the expected impact of accounting pronouncements; and
- the other factors listed above under "Risk Factors."

Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements are reasonable based on our current knowledge of our business and operations, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements. The foregoing factors should not be construed as exhaustive. If one or more of these or other risks or uncertainties materialize, or if our underlying assumptions prove to be incorrect, actual results may differ materially from what we anticipate. The impact of the COVID-19 pandemic may also exacerbate the risks discussed in this Annual Report, which could have a material impact on our company. Any forward-looking statements you read in this Annual Report reflect our views as of the date of this Annual Report with respect to future events and are subject to these and other risks, uncertainties and assumptions relating to our operations, results of operations, growth strategy and liquidity. You should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements and you should carefully consider all of the factors identified in this Annual Report that could cause actual results to differ. We assume no obligation to update or revise these forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

ITEM 1B: UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS

Not applicable.

ITEM 2: PROPERTIES

Properties

Our principal executive offices are located at 5420 Lyndon B. Johnson Freeway, Suite 500, Dallas, Texas 75240. Our headquarters is a leased facility. The current lease term expires August 31, 2026, but may be renewed.

We consider the many manufacturing and R&D facilities, distribution centers, warehouses, offices and other properties that we own or lease to be in good condition and generally suitable for the purposes for which they are used. The following table presents our principal physical locations by segment and excludes facilities classified as discontinued operations.

Location	Use	Segment	Square Footage	Owned/Leased
Boise, Idaho	Manufacturing, Office and R&D	Industrial Products	42,000	Leased
Dong Nai, Vietnam	Manufacturing and Office	Industrial Products	634,000	Owned
Fall River, Massachusetts	Manufacturing and Office	Both	140,200	Leased
Greenwood, Indiana	Distribution Center & Office	Industrial Products	54,000	Leased
Houston, Texas	Manufacturing, Office, R&D and Warehouse	Both	253,900	Owned
Houston, Texas	Distribution Center & Office	Industrial Products	150,000	Leased
Hudson, Florida	Manufacturing, Office and R&D	Industrial Products	40,000	Leased
Jacksonville, Florida	Distribution Center & Office	Industrial Products	217,000	Leased
North East, Maryland	Distribution Center & Office	Industrial Products	150,000	Leased
Rockwall, Texas	Manufacturing, Office, R&D and Warehouse	Both	227,600	Owned
Santa Fe Springs, California	Distribution Center & Office	Industrial Products	240,000	Leased
Wichita, Kansas	Manufacturing and Office	Industrial Products	42,800	Owned
Windsor, Ontario, Canada	Manufacturing, Office and R&D	Industrial Products	42,000	Leased

We believe that our facilities are adequate for our current operations. We may endeavor to selectively reduce or expand our existing lease commitments as circumstances warrant. See Note 8 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report for additional information regarding our lease obligations.

ITEM 3: LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

We may, from time to time, be involved in litigation arising out of our operations in the normal course of business or otherwise. Furthermore, third parties may try to seek to impose liability on us in connection with the activities of our operating companies. We are not currently a party to any legal proceedings that, individually or in the aggregate, are expected to have a material effect on our business, financial condition, results of operations or financial statements, taken as a whole.

ITEM 4: MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES

Not applicable.

PART II

ITEM 5: MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Market Information

Our common shares are listed on the Nasdaq Global Select Market under the symbol "CSWI."

Holders

As of May 12, 2021, there were 413 holders of record of our common stock. The number of holders of record is based upon the actual numbers of holders registered at such date and does not include holders of shares in "street name" or persons, partnerships, associates, corporations or other entities in security position listings maintained by depositories.

Issuer Purchases of Equity Securities

Note 11 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report includes a discussion of our share repurchase program. No shares were repurchased during the quarter ended March 31, 2021.

Period	Total Number of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Program	Maximum Number of Shares (or Approximate Dollar Value) That May Yet Be Purchased Under the Program
				(in millions)
January 1 - 31	_	\$ —	<u> </u>	\$ 100.0
February 1 - 28	_	_		100.0
March 1 - 31	_	_	_	100.0

Stock Performance Chart

The following graph compares the cumulative total shareholder return on our common stock from April 1, 2016 (the date on which our common shares began "regular way" trading on the Nasdaq Global Select Market) through March 31, 2021 compared with the Russell 2000 Index, of which CSWI is a component, and a composite custom peer group, selected on an industry basis. The graph assumes that \$100 was invested at the market close on April 1, 2016 and that all dividends were reinvested. The stock price performance of the following graph is not necessarily indicative of future stock price performance. The custom peer group consists of the following:

Astec Industries, Inc.	Futurefuel Corp.	Landec Corporation	Quaker Chemical Corp.
Chase Corporation	Gorman-Rupp Co.	Littelfuse, Inc.	Tredegar Corp.
Columbus McKinnon Corp	Innospec Inc.	LSB Industries, Inc.	WD-40 Company
CTS Corporation	Koppers Holdings Inc.	Methode Electronics, Inc.	
Flotek Industries, Inc.	Kraton Corp.	NN, Inc.	

Omnova Solutions Inc. was removed from the custom peer group as it was acquired by Synthomer plc in 2020 and its shares are no longer publicly traded.

This graph is furnished and not filed with the SEC. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary set forth in any of our previous filings made under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act that incorporate future filings made by us under those statutes, the stock performance graph below is not to be incorporated by reference in any prior filings, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into any future filings made by us under those statutes.



ITEM 6: SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

	Year Ended March 31,									
Amounts in thousands, except per share data)		2021		2020		2019		2018		2017
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS		(a), (b)		(c), (d)		(e), (f)		(g)		(h)
Revenues, net	\$	419,205	\$	385,871	\$	350,155	\$	326,222	\$	287,460
Gross profit		184,800		177,050		161,370		147,940		128,956
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(125,330)		(110,032)		(100,930)		(98,281)		(95,601)
Operating income		59,470		66,067		60,440		49,659		32,040
Interest expense, net		(2,383)		(1,331)		(1,442)		(2,317)		(2,695)
Provision for income taxes		(10,830)		(12,784)		(15,389)		(15,565)		(14,360)
Income from continuing operations		40,288		44,817		46,052		32,682		17,800
Diluted earnings per share - continuing operations	\$	2.66	\$	2.95	\$	2.96	\$	2.09	\$	1.12
Cash dividends per share	\$	0.54	\$	0.54	\$	_	\$	_	\$	_
FINANCIAL CONDITION										
Working capital	\$	131,805	\$	90,899	\$	102,095	\$	82,713	\$	108,547
Total assets		874,957		369,245		352,632		340,816		398,427
Total debt		242,337		10,898		31,459		24,020		73,207
Retirement obligations and other liabilities		138,420		23,021		8,092		6,738		14,844
Total equity		412,013		276,741		263,686		265,765		272,438

- (a) Result of operations in the year ended March 31, 2021 included transaction expenses related to the TRUaire acquisition and the formation of a joint venture within our Specialty Chemicals segment of \$10.4 million (\$8.8 million, net of tax).
- (b) Result of operations in the year ended March 31, 2021 included an indemnification expense of \$5.0 million (\$0.3 million net benefit after considering a tax benefit of \$5.3 million resulting from the release of the relevant tax contingency reserves) due to the partial release of a tax indemnification asset related to the TRUaire acquisition.
- (c) Result of operations in the year ended March 31, 2020 included a charge of \$6.5 million (\$5.0 million, net of tax) resulting from the termination of our qualified U.S. defined benefit pension plan.
- (d) Results of operations and financial condition for the year ended March 31, 2020 reflect the adoption of ASU No. 2016-02 "Leases (Topic 842)," as amended.
- (e) Results of operations in the year ended March 31, 2019 included gains of \$2.6 million (\$1.9 million, net of tax) on sales of property, plant and equipment used in operations and \$1.5 million (\$2.4 million including tax benefit resulting from tax basis loss) on sales of non-operating assets.
- (f) Results of operations for the year ended March 31, 2019 reflect the adoption of ASU No. 2014-09 "Revenue from Contracts with Customers (Topic 606)," as amended.
- (g) Results of operations for the year ended March 31, 2018 included costs of \$1.4 million (\$0.9 million, net of tax) resulting from restructuring and realignment initiatives.
- (h) Results of operations for the year ended March 31, 2017 included costs of \$6.6 million (\$4.3 million, net of tax) resulting from restructuring and realignment initiatives.

ITEM 7: MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion and analysis is provided to increase the understanding of, and should be read in conjunction with, the accompanying consolidated financial statements and notes. See "Item 1A. Risk Factors" and the "Forward-Looking Statements" included in this Annual Report for a discussion of the risks, uncertainties and assumptions associated with these statements. Unless otherwise noted, all amounts discussed herein are consolidated.

EXECUTIVE OVERVIEW

Our Company

We are a diversified industrial growth company with well-established, scalable platforms and domain expertise across two segments: Industrial Products and Specialty Chemicals. Our broad portfolio of leading products and systems provides performance optimizing solutions to our customers, helping contractors do their jobs better, faster and easier; making buildings safer and more aesthetically pleasing; protecting valuable assets from corrosion; and improving the reliability of mission critical equipment. Our products include mechanical products for heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration ("HVAC/R"), grilles, registers and diffusers, building safety solutions and high-performance specialty lubricants and sealants. End markets that we serve include HVAC/R, architecturally-specified building products, plumbing, energy, rail, mining and general industrial. Our manufacturing operations are concentrated in the United States ("U.S."), Canada and Vietnam, and we have distribution operations in U.S., Australia, Canada and the United Kingdom ("U.K."). Our products are sold directly or through designated channels both domestically and internationally.

Many of our products are used to protect the capital assets of our customers that are expensive to repair or replace and are critical to their operations. We have a source of recurring revenue from the maintenance, repair and overhaul and consumable nature of many of our products. We also provide some custom engineered products that strengthen and enhance our customer relationships. The reputation of our product portfolio is built on more than 100 well-respected brand names, such as RectorSeal No. 5, KOPR-KOTE, Jet-Lube, Smoke Guard, Safe-T-Switch, Mighty Bracket, Balco, Whitmore Rail, Air Sentry, Oil Safe, Deacon, Leak Freeze, Greco and TRUaire.

Business Developments

On April 1, 2021, Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC ("Whitmore"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSWI, completed the formation of the previously announced joint venture with Pennzoil-Quaker State Company dba SOPUS products ("Shell"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shell Oil Company that comprises Shell's U.S. lubricants business. The formation was consummated through a transaction in which Whitmore sold to Shell a 50% interest in a wholly-owned subsidiary (containing certain existing operating assets) in exchange for consideration of \$13.7 million from Shell in the form of cash and intangible assets.

On December 15, 2020, we acquired 100% of the outstanding equity of T.A. Industries, Inc. ("TRUaire"), a leading manufacturer of grilles, registers, and diffusers for the residential and commercial HVAC/R end market, based in Santa Fe Springs, California. The acquisition also included TRUaire's wholly-owned manufacturing facility based in Vietnam. The acquisition is expected to extend the Company's product offerings to the HVAC market as well as add new customers and provide strategic distribution facilities. The consideration paid for TRUaire included cash of \$284 million and 849,852 shares of the Company's common stock. The cash consideration was funded through a combination of cash on hand and borrowings under our revolving credit facility, and 849,852 shares of common stock were reissued from treasury shares. TRUaire activity has been included in our Industrial Products segment since the acquisition date.

During the quarter ended December 31, 2017, we committed to a plan to divest our Strathmore Products business (the "Coatings business"). This determination resulted in the reclassification of the assets comprising that business to assets held-for-sale, and a corresponding adjustment to our consolidated statements of operations to reflect discontinued operations for all periods presented. During the quarter ended September 30, 2018, we received an aggregate of \$6.9 million for the sale of certain tangible and all intangible assets that related to our former Coatings business in multiple transactions. During the quarter ended March 31, 2020, we received \$1.5 million for the sale of the last remaining real property owned by our former Coatings business and, as such, we do not expect to have results of discontinued operations resulting from the Coatings business in future years.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have an impact on human health, the global economy and society at large. The pandemic and its resulting impacts had an adverse impact on our financial results in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, as

compared with the prior year, most notably within the first and second quarters of fiscal 2021. While the COVID-19 pandemic has contributed to increased demand in certain parts of our business, including the HVAC/R end market, we expect our overall results of operations and financial condition to continue to be adversely impacted through the duration of the pandemic when compared to pre-pandemic periods. Despite strong demand in certain of our end markets and signs of recovery in others, we cannot reasonably estimate the magnitude or length of the pandemic's adverse impact, including the effects of any vaccine or its ultimate impact on our business or financial condition, due to continued uncertainty regarding (1) the duration and severity of the COVID-19 pandemic and (2) the continued potential for short and long-term impacts on our facilities and employees, customer demand and supply chain.

All of our operations and products support critical infrastructure and are considered "essential" in all of the relevant jurisdictions in which we operate. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we took numerous measures across our operating sites to ensure we continue to place the highest priority on the health, safety and well-being of our employees, while continuing to support our customers. Through the date of this filing, our businesses have continued to operate throughout the COVID-19 pandemic with appropriate safeguards for our employees and without any material disruptions.

Our Markets

HVAC/R

The HVAC/R market is our largest market served and it represented approximately 42% and 31% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. We provide an extensive array of products for installation, repair and maintenance of HVAC/R systems that includes condensate switches, pans and pumps, grilles, registers and diffusers, refrigerant caps, line set covers and other chemical and mechanical products. The industry is driven by replacement and repair of existing HVAC/R systems, as well as new construction projects. New HVAC/R systems are heavily influenced by macro trends in building construction, while replacement and repair of existing HVAC/R systems are dependent on weather and age of unit. The HVAC/R market tends to be seasonal with the peak sales season beginning in March and continuing through August. Construction and repair is typically performed by contractors, and we utilize our global distribution network to drive sales of our brands to such contractors.

Architecturally-Specified Building Products

Architecturally-specified building products represented approximately 27% and 29% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. We manufacture and sell products such as engineered railings, smoke and fire protection systems, expansion joints and stair edge nosings for commercial buildings, multi-family housing, healthcare, education and government facilities. Sales of these products are driven by architectural specifications and safety codes. The sales process is typically long as these can be multi-year construction projects. The construction market, both commercial and multi-family, is a key driver for sales of architecturally-specified building products.

General Industrial

The general industrial end market represented approximately 10% and 13% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. We provide products focused on asset protection and reliability, including lubricants, desiccant breathers and fluid management products. The general industrial market includes the manufacture of chemicals, steel, cement, food and beverage, pulp and paper and a wide variety of other processed materials. We serve this market primarily through a network of distributors. The growth trajectory of the general industrial end market is expected to reflect a blended average of the aforementioned end use markets.

Plumbing

The plumbing market represented approximately 10% and 11% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. We provide many products to the plumbing industry including thread sealants, solvent cements, fire-stopping products, condensate switches and trap guards, as well as other mechanical products, such as drain traps. Installation is typically performed by contractors, and we utilize our global distribution network to drive sales of our products to contractors.

Energy

The energy market represented approximately 4% and 6% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. We provide market-leading lubricants and anti-seize compounds, as well as greases, for use in oilfield

drilling activity and maintenance of oilfield drilling and valve related equipment. We sell our products primarily through distributors that are strategically situated near the major oil and gas producing areas across the globe. The outlook for the energy industry is heavily dependent on the global demand expectations from developed and emerging economies, as well as oil price and local government policies relative to oil exploration, drilling, storage and transportation.

Rail

The rail market represented approximately 4% and 6% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. We provide an array of products into the rail industry, including lubricants and lubricating devices for rail lines, which increase efficiency, reduce noise and extend the life of rail equipment such as rails and wheels. We leverage our technical expertise to build relationships with key decision-makers to ensure our products meet required specifications. We sell our products primarily through a direct sales force, as well as through distribution partners. End markets for Rail include Class 1 Rail as the primary end market in North America and Transit Rail as the primary end market in all other geographies. Cyclical product classes such as farm products and petrochemical products can also impact volumes in Class 1 Rail. While coal transport is diminishing demand for Class 1 Rail in North America, global investment in Transit Rail systems is expected to more than offset this decline.

Mining

The mining market represented approximately 3% and 4% of our net revenues in the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. Across the globe, we provide market-leading lubricants to open gears used in large mining excavation equipment, primarily through direct sales agents, as well as a network of strategic distributors. The North American mining industry is heavily weighted toward coal production and has experienced headwinds due to continued decline in domestic coal demand, partially mitigated by the seaborne coal export market. Globally, coal demand has been robust, and focused efforts in coal markets outside of the U.S., coupled with enhanced focus on markets such as iron, gold, diamonds and uranium in Southeast Asia, South America, Africa and Russia, have delivered growth that has generally offset the weakness in North American coal demand. Outside of coal, the mining market tends to move with global industrial output as basic industrial metals such as copper, tin, aluminum, and zinc, which are critical inputs to many industrial products.

Our Outlook

We expect to maintain a strong balance sheet in fiscal year 2022, which provides us with access to capital through our cash on hand, internally-generated cash flow and availability under our revolving credit facility. Our capital allocation strategy continues to guide our investing decisions, with a priority to direct capital to the highest risk adjusted return opportunities, within the categories of organic growth, strategic acquisitions and the return of cash to shareholders through our share repurchase and dividend programs. With the strength of our financial position, we will continue to invest in financially and strategically attractive expanded product offerings, key elements of our long-term strategy of targeting long-term profitable growth. We will continue to invest our capital in maintaining our facilities and in continuous improvement initiatives. We recognize the importance of, and remain committed to, continuing to drive organic growth, as well as investing additional capital in opportunities with attractive risk-adjusted returns, driving increased penetration in the end markets we serve.

We remain disciplined in our approach to acquisitions, particularly as it relates to our assessment of valuation, prospective synergies, diligence, cultural fit and ease of integration, especially in light of the economic conditions due to the pandemic.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

The following discussion provides an analysis of our consolidated results of operations and results for each of our segments.

The operations of TRUaire have been included in our consolidated results of operations and in the operating results of our Industrial Products segment since December 15, 2020, the effective date of the acquisition. The operations of Petersen Metals, Inc. ("Petersen") have been included in our consolidated results of operations and in the operating results of our Industrial Products segment since April 2, 2019, the effective date of the acquisition. The operations of MSD Research, Inc. ("MSD") have been included in our consolidated results of operations and in the operating results of our Industrial Products segment since January 31, 2019, the effective date of the acquisition. All acquisitions are described in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report.

Net Revenues

_	Year Ended March 31,				
(amounts in thousands)	2021 2020		2019		
Revenues, net	\$ 419,205	\$	385,871	\$	350,155

Net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2021 increased \$33.3 million, or 8.6%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The increase was primarily due to the December 15, 2020 acquisition of TRUaire (\$33.8 million or 8.8%). Excluding the acquisition impact, the organic sales remained relatively flat from the prior year with a slight sales decrease (\$0.5 million in total or 0.1%) primarily due to decreased sales into general industrial (\$9.0 million), energy (\$7.5 million), rail (\$5.5 million) and mining (\$1.1 million) end markets, mostly offset by increased sales volumes into the HVAC/R (\$22.2 million) and architecturally-specified building products (\$2.0 million) end markets. Although the energy and mining end markets decreased over the prior fiscal year, those decreases occurred during the first nine months of the fiscal year, while the fourth fiscal quarter showed improvements as compared with the same period in the prior year. The plumbing end market experienced growth in the fourth fiscal quarter as compared with the same period in the prior year, offsetting the slight decreases in the first nine months of the fiscal year.

Net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$35.7 million, or 10.2%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily due to recent acquisitions (\$15.1 million or 4.3%) and organic sales increases (\$20.6 million in total or 5.9%) driven by increased sales volumes into the HVAC/R (\$12.0 million), plumbing (\$3.2 million), architecturally-specified building products (\$2.1 million), rail (\$1.2 million), mining (\$1.2 million) and general industrial (\$0.9 million) end markets. Although the mining and rail end markets increased over the prior fiscal year, those increases occurred during the first nine months of the fiscal year, while the fourth fiscal quarter was relatively flat as compared with the same period in the prior year. The energy end market experienced growth in the first nine months of the fiscal year, but declines in the fourth fiscal quarter as compared with the same period in the prior year offset most of that growth.

Net revenues into the Americas, the Europe, Middle East and Africa ("EMEA") and the Asia Pacific regions represented approximately 93%, 4%, and 3%, respectively, of net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2021. Net revenues into the Americas, EMEA and the Asia Pacific regions represented approximately 90%, 6%, and 4%, respectively, of net revenues for both of the years ended March 31, 2020 and 2019. The presentation of net revenues by geographic region is based on the location of the customer. For additional information regarding net revenues by geographic region, see Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report.

Gross Profit and Gross Profit Margin

		Year Ended March 31,							
(amounts in thousands, except percentages)		2021		2020		2019			
Gross profit	\$	184,800	\$	177,050	\$	161,370			
Gross profit margin		44.1 % 45.9 %		46.1 %					

Gross profit for the year ended March 31, 2021 increased \$7.8 million, or 4.4%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The increase was primarily due to the TRUaire acquisition, partially offset by decreased gross margin and an \$0.8 million gain on sales of property, plant and equipment in the prior year that did not recur. Gross profit margin for the year ended March 31, 2021 of 44.1% decreased from 45.9% for the year ended March 31, 2020, primarily due to the TRUaire acquisition, including a \$3.5 million amortization related to the inventory fair value step-up, and increased freight and transportation costs in the fourth fiscal quarter.

Gross profit for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$15.7 million, or 9.7%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily due to increased revenues, recent acquisitions and an \$0.8 million gain on sales of property, plant and equipment, partially offset by a \$2.6 million gain on sales of property, plant and equipment in the prior year period that did not recur. Gross profit margin for the year ended March 31, 2020 of 45.9% decreased from 46.1% for the year ended March 31, 2019, primarily attributable to product mix.

Selling, General and Administrative Expense

	Year Ended March 31,					
(amounts in thousands, except percentages)	2021 2020		2019			
Operating expenses	\$	125,330	\$	110,983	\$	100,930
Operating expenses as a % of revenues		29.9 %)	28.8 %		28.8 %

Selling, general and administrative expense for the year ended March 31, 2021 increased \$14.3 million, or 12.9%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The increase was primarily due to transaction expenses related to the TRUaire acquisition (\$7.8 million) and the formation of a joint venture in our Specialty Chemicals segment (\$2.6 million), the inclusion of TRUaire's operations and employee severance costs (\$0.7 million), partially offset by reduced spend on travel and entertainment expenses and a trademark impairment (\$1.0 million) in the prior year that did not recur. The increase in operating expense as a percentage of sales was primarily attributable to transaction expenses discussed above.

Selling, general and administrative expense for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$10.1 million, or 10.0%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily attributable to acquisitions (\$3.2 million), and increased employee-related costs, as well as a net increase in trademark impairments and write-offs (\$0.6 million). Operating expenses as a percentage of revenues for the year ended March 31, 2020 was comparable to the year ended March 31, 2019, as leverage on increased revenues was partially offset by increased employee-related costs.

Operating Income

		Year Ended March 31,								
(amounts in thousands, except percentages)		2021		2020		2019				
Operating income	\$	59,470	\$	66,067	\$	60,440				
Operating margin		14.2 %		17.1 %		17.3 %				

Operating income for the year ended March 31, 2021 decreased by \$6.6 million, or 10.0%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The decrease was a result of the \$14.3 million increase in selling, general and administrative expense, partially offset by the \$7.8 million increase in gross profit.

Operating income for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased by \$5.6 million, or 9.3%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was a result of the \$15.7 million increase in gross profit, partially offset by the \$10.1 million increase in selling, general and administrative expense as discussed above.

Other income and expense

Interest expense, net for the year ended March 31, 2021 increased \$1.1 million to \$2.4 million as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020, due to increased borrowing under our Revolving Credit Facility (described in Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report) to fund a portion of the purchase price for the TRUaire acquisition.

Interest expense, net for the year ended March 31, 2020 decreased \$0.1 million to \$1.3 million as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019, primarily due to an overall reduction in average outstanding debt under our Revolving Credit Facility, as well as lower interest rates.

Other expense, net decreased by \$1.2 million for the year ended March 31, 2021 to expense of \$6.0 million as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The decrease was primarily due to an indemnification expense of \$5.0 million due to the partial release of a tax indemnification asset related to the TRUaire acquisition and loss arising from transactions in currencies other than our sites' functional currencies, entirely offset by a charge of \$6.5 million resulting from the termination of our U.S. defined benefit pension plan and a lease termination cost of \$0.5 million in the prior year that did not recur.

Other income (expense), net decreased by \$9.6 million for the year ended March 31, 2020 to expense of \$7.1 million as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The decrease was primarily due to a charge of \$6.5 million resulting from the termination of our U.S. defined benefit pension plan, \$1.8 million of gains on sales of non-operating assets in the prior year that did not recur, and a lease termination cost of \$0.5 million.

Provision for Income Taxes and Effective Tax Rate

The provision for income taxes for the year ended March 31, 2021 was \$10.8 million, representing an effective tax rate of 21.2%, as compared with the provision of \$12.8 million, representing an effective tax rate of 22.2%, for the year ended March 31, 2020 and the provision of \$15.4 million, representing an effective tax rate of 25.0%, for the year ended March 31, 2019. As compared with the statutory rate for the year ended March 31, 2021, the provision for income taxes was primarily impacted by the release of uncertain tax positions, which decreased the provision by \$4.7 million and the effective rate by 9.2% offset by the state tax expense (net of federal benefits), which increased the provision by \$2.4 million and the effective rate by 4.7% and additional non-deductible expenses, which increased the provision by \$1.4 million and the effective rate by 2.8%.

As compared with the statutory rate for the year ended March 31, 2020, the provision for income taxes was primarily impacted by the state tax expense (net of federal benefits), which increased the provision by \$1.9 million and the effective rate by 3.4%, and the release of uncertain tax positions, which decreased the provision by \$1.6 million and the effective rate by 2.8%. Other items impacting the effective tax rate for the prior years include adjustments for the closing of the IRS audit for tax year ended March 31, 2017, foreign withholding tax paid during the tax year ended March 31, 2020 for prior year periods, and the reversal of a pension adjustment related to a former wholly-owned subsidiary for the tax period ended September 30, 2015, in which the statute of limitations expired.

We recorded total tax contingency reserves of \$17.3 million, including unrecognized tax benefit of \$13.6 million, accrued interest and penalty of \$1.4 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, through purchase accounting as a result of the TRUaire acquisition discussed in Note 2. During the three months ended March 31, 2021, a tax benefit of \$5.3 million, including release of accrued interest (\$0.6 million) and penalty (\$0.6 million), was recognized as a result of receiving the audit closing letter from Internal Revenue Service related to calendar 2017, a pre-acquisition tax year. For the year ended March 31, 2021, the interest and penalties related to the uncertain tax position resulted in a net decrease of \$0.9 million in income tax expense. We accrued interest and penalties on uncertain tax positions of \$1.0 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, as of the year ended March 31, 2021. We recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits within our income tax provision.

We are currently under examination by the IRS for a short period return ending September 30, 2015 for a CSWI subsidiary company. Our federal income tax returns for the years ended March 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 remain subject to examination. Our income tax returns for TRUaire's pre-acquisiton periods including calendar years 2017, 2018 and 2019 remain subject to examinations. Our income tax returns in certain state income tax jurisdictions remain subject to examination for various periods for the period ended September 30, 2015 and subsequent years.

As of both March 31, 2021 and 2020, we had no tax effected operating loss carryforwards net of valuation allowances. Net operating loss carryforwards will expire in periods beyond the next five years.

Business Segments

We conduct our operations through two business segments based on type of product and how we manage the business. We evaluate segment performance and allocate resources based on each segment's operating income. The key operating results for our two business segments are discussed below.

Industrial Products Segment Results

Industrial Products includes specialty mechanical products, fire and smoke protection products, architecturally-specified building products and storage, filtration and application equipment for use with our specialty chemicals and other products for general industrial application.

	Year Ended March 31,									
(amounts in thousands, except percentages)	2021		2020		2019					
Revenues, net	\$ 289,416	\$	234,895	\$	205,931					
Operating income	55,641		55,725		48,817					
Operating margin	19.2 %)	23.7 %		23.7 %					

Net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2021 increased \$54.5 million, or 23.2%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The increase was primarily due to the TRUaire acquisition (\$33.8 million or 14.4%) and organic sales increases (\$20.7 million in total or 8.8%) driven by increased sales volumes into the HVAC/R (\$20.3 million), architecturally-specified building products (\$4.8 million) and plumbing (\$1.4 million) end markets, partially offset by decreases in rail (\$2.7 million) and general industrial (\$3.1 million) end markets.

Net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$29.0 million, or 14.1%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily due to recent acquisitions (\$15.1 million or 7.3%) and organic sales increases (\$13.9 million in total or 6.8%) driven by increased sales volumes into the HVAC/R (\$12.0 million) and plumbing (\$2.6 million) end markets, partially offset by a decline in the rail (\$0.5 million) end market.

Operating income for the year ended March 31, 2021 decreased \$0.1 million, or 0.2%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The decrease was primarily attributable to transaction expenses related to the TRUaire acquisition (\$7.8 million), partially offset by increased revenues.

Operating income for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$6.9 million, or 14.2%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily attributable to recent acquisitions (\$4.0 million) and increased revenues, partially offset by a \$0.5 million gain on the sale of property, plant and equipment in the prior year that did not recur.

Specialty Chemicals Segment Results

Specialty Chemicals includes pipe thread sealants, firestopping sealants and caulks, adhesives/solvent cements, lubricants and greases, drilling compounds, anti-seize compounds, chemical formulations and degreasers and cleaners.

	Year Ended March 31,								
(amounts in thousands, except percentages)	2021		2020		2019				
Revenues, net	\$ 129,789	\$	150,976	\$	144,224				
Operating income	18,263		24,691		23,930				
Operating margin	14.1 %		16.4 %		16.6 %				

Net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2021 decreased \$21.2 million, or 14.0%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The decrease was primarily attributable to decreased sales volumes into the energy (\$7.5 million), general industrial (\$6.0 million), architecturally-specified building products (\$2.8 million), rail (\$2.7 million) and mining (\$1.1 million) end markets.

Net revenues for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$6.8 million, or 4.7%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily attributable to increased sales volumes into the architecturally-specified building products (\$2.1 million), rail (\$1.7 million), general industrial (\$1.3 million), mining (\$1.2 million) and plumbing (\$0.6 million) end markets.

Operating income for the year ended March 31, 2021 decreased \$6.4 million, or 26.0%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2020. The decrease was primarily attributable to decreased sales and \$2.6 million of transaction expenses related to the formation of a joint venture, partially offset by decreases in travel and personnel-related expenses and sales commissions.

Operating income for the year ended March 31, 2020 increased \$0.8 million, or 3.2%, as compared with the year ended March 31, 2019. The increase was primarily attributable to increased revenues, partially offset by a net decrease in year-over-year gains on sales of property, plant and equipment (\$1.4 million) and an increase in net trademark impairments and write-offs (\$0.6 million).

For additional information on segments, see Note 19 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Cash Flow Analysis

	Year Ended March 31,					
(amounts in thousands)		2021		2020		2019
Net cash provided by operating activities, continuing operations	\$	66,254	\$	71,397	\$	68,159
Net cash used in investing activities, continuing operations		(289,889)		(21,982)		(10,415)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		214,049		(57,151)		(39,273)

Existing cash, cash generated by operations and borrowings available under our Revolving Credit Facility are our primary sources of short-term liquidity. We monitor the depository institutions that hold our cash and cash equivalents on a regular basis, and we believe that we have placed our deposits with creditworthy financial institutions. Our sources of operating cash generally include the sale of our products and services and the conversion of our working capital, particularly accounts receivable and inventories. Our cash balance at March 31, 2021 was \$10.1 million, as compared with \$18.3 million at March 31, 2020.

For the year ended March 31, 2021, our cash provided by operating activities from continuing operations was \$66.3 million, as compared with \$71.4 million and \$68.2 million for the years ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

- Working capital used cash for the year ended March 31, 2021 due to higher accounts receivable (\$7.2 million), higher prepaid expenses and other current assets (\$4.2 million) and higher inventories (\$3.4 million), partially offset by higher accounts payable and other current liabilities (\$13.9 million).
- Working capital provided cash for the year ended March 31, 2020 due to higher accounts payable and other current liabilities (\$5.9 million) and lower prepaid expenses and other current assets (\$4.0 million), mostly offset by higher accounts receivable (\$8.0 million) and higher inventories (\$1.7 million).
- Working capital used cash for the year ended March 31, 2019 due to higher inventory (\$5.5 million) and higher accounts receivable (\$3.8 million), partially offset by higher accounts payable and other current liabilities (\$5.7 million).

Cash flows used in investing activities from continuing operations during the year ended March 31, 2021 were \$289.9 million as compared with \$22.0 million and \$10.4 million for the years ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

- Capital expenditures during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 were \$8.8 million, \$11.4 million and \$7.5 million, respectively. Our capital expenditures have been focused on enterprise resource planning systems, new product introductions, capacity expansion, continuous improvement, automation and consolidation of manufacturing facilities.
- During the year ended March 31, 2021 we acquired TRUaire for \$286.9 million (after working capital adjustment) in cash consideration and stock consideration valued at \$97.7 million, during the year ended March 31, 2020 we acquired Petersen for \$11.8 million, and during the year ended March 31, 2019, we acquired MSD for \$10.1 million, net of cash acquired, as discussed in Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report.

Cash flows used in financing activities during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 were \$214.0 million, \$57.2 million and \$39.3 million, respectively. Cash outflows resulted from:

- Repayments on our lines of credit (as discussed in Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report) of \$23.6 million, \$28.1 million and \$20.6 million during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- Repurchases of shares under our share repurchase programs (as discussed in Note 11 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report) of \$7.7 million, \$26.5 million and \$45.6 million during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.
- Dividend payments of \$8.1 million and \$8.1 million during the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively. No dividends were paid during the years ended March 31, 2019.

Cash inflows resulted from borrowings on our Revolving Credit Facility of \$255.0 million, \$7.5 million and \$28.0 million during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

We believe that available cash and cash equivalents, cash flows generated through operations and cash available under our Revolving Credit Facility will be sufficient to meet our liquidity needs, including capital expenditures, for at least the next 12 months.

ACQUISITIONS AND DISPOSITIONS

We regularly evaluate acquisition opportunities of various sizes. The cost and terms of any financing to be raised in conjunction with any acquisition, including our ability to raise capital, is a critical consideration in any such evaluation. Note 2 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report contains a discussion of our acquisitions.

FINANCING

Credit Facilities

See Note 7 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report for a discussion of our indebtedness. We were in compliance with all covenants contained in our Revolving Credit Facility as of March 31, 2021.

We have entered into an interest rate swap agreement to hedge our exposure to variable interest payments related to our indebtedness. This agreement is more fully described in Note 9 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 and in "Item 7A. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk" of this Annual Report.

OFF-BALANCE SHEET ARRANGEMENTS

As of March 31, 2021, we did not have any off-balance sheet arrangements that we believe have or are reasonably likely to have a material adverse effect on our financial condition or results of operations.

CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS

The following table presents a summary of our contractual obligations for continuing operations at March 31, 2021 (in thousands):

Payments due by Period (a)									
<	< 1 Year		1-3 Years		3-5 Years		> 5 Years		Total
\$	561	\$	233,122	\$	1,122	\$	7,532	\$	242,337
	5,113		2,848		354		482		8,797
	9,551		17,919		17,571		26,518		71,559
	49,703		1,570		_		_		51,273
\$	64,928	\$	255,459	\$	19,047	\$	34,532	\$	373,966
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⁽a) The less than one-year category represents the year ended March 31, 2022, the 1-3 years category represents years ending March 31, 2023 and 2024, the 3-5 years category represents years ending March 31, 2025 and 2026 and the greater than five years category represents years ending March 31, 2027 and thereafter.

⁽b) Sales taxes, value added taxes and goods and services taxes included as part of recurring lease payments, as well as variable maintenance and executory costs, are excluded from the amounts shown above.

- (c) Operating lease and purchase obligations denominated in foreign currencies are projected based on the exchange rate in effect on March 31, 2021.
- (d) Purchase obligations include agreements to purchase goods or services that are enforceable, legally binding and specify all significant terms, including: fixed or minimum quantities to be purchased; fixed, minimum or variable price provisions; and the approximate timing of the transaction. Purchase obligations exclude agreements that are cancellable without penalty.

CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES

The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires the use of estimates and assumptions to determine reported amounts of certain assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses and the disclosure of related contingent assets and liabilities. These estimates and assumptions are based upon information available at the time of the estimates or assumptions, including our historical experience, where relevant. The most significant estimates made by management include: timing and amount of revenue recognition; deferred taxes and tax reserves; pension benefits; and valuation of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets, both at the time of initial acquisition, as well as part of recurring impairment analyses, as applicable. The significant estimates are reviewed at least annually, if not quarterly, by management. Because of the uncertainty of factors surrounding the estimates, assumptions and judgments used in the preparation of our financial statements, actual results may differ from the estimates, and the difference may be material.

Our critical accounting policies are those policies that are both most important to our financial condition and results of operations and require the most difficult, subjective or complex judgments on the part of management in their application, often as a result of the need to make estimates about the effect of matters that are inherently uncertain. We believe that the following represent our critical accounting policies. For a summary of all of our significant accounting policies, see Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report. Management and our external auditors have discussed our critical accounting estimates and policies with the Audit Committee of our Board of Directors.

Revenue Recognition

We recognize revenues to depict the transfer of control of promised goods or services to our customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which we expect to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Refer to Note 18 for further discussion. We recognize revenue when all of the following criteria have been met: (i) a contract with a customer exists, (ii) performance obligations have been identified, (iii) the price to the customer has been determined, (iv) the price to the customer has been allocated to the performance obligations, and (v) performance obligations are satisfied, which are more fully described below.

- (i) We identify a contract with a customer when a sales agreement indicates approval and commitment of the parties; identifies the rights of the parties; identifies the payment terms; has commercial substance; and it is probable that we will collect the consideration to which we will be entitled in exchange for the goods or services that will be transferred to the customer. In most instances, our contract with a customer is the customer's purchase order. For certain customers, we may also enter into a sales agreement that outlines a framework of terms and conditions that apply to all future purchase orders for that customer. In these situations, our contract with the customer is both the sales agreement and the specific customer purchase order. Because our contract with a customer is typically for a single transaction or customer purchase order, the duration of the contract is one year or less. As a result, we have elected to apply certain practical expedients and, as permitted by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, omit certain disclosures of remaining performance obligations for contracts that have an initial term of one year or less.
- (ii) We identify performance obligations in a contract for each promised good or service that is separately identifiable from other promises in the contract and for which the customer can benefit from the good or service either on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer. Goods and services provided to our customers that are deemed immaterial are included with other performance obligations.
- (iii) We determine the transaction price as the amount of consideration we expect to be entitled to in exchange for fulfilling the performance obligations, including the effects of any variable consideration.
- (iv) For any contracts that have more than one performance obligation, we allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation in an amount that depicts the amount of consideration to which we expect to be entitled in exchange for satisfying each performance obligation. We have excluded disclosure of the transaction price allocated to remaining performance obligations if the performance obligation is part of a contract that has an original expected duration of one year or less as the majority of our contracts are short-term in nature with a term of one year or less.
- (v) We recognize revenue when, or as, we satisfy the performance obligation in a contract by transferring control of a promised good or service to the customer.

We exclude from the measurement of the transaction price all taxes assessed by a governmental authority that are both imposed on and concurrent with a specific revenue-producing transaction and collected from a customer. As such, we present

revenue net of sales and other similar taxes. Shipping and handling costs associated with outbound freight after control over a product has transferred to a customer are accounted for as a fulfillment cost and are included in cost of revenues. Costs to obtain a contract, which include sales commissions recorded in selling, general and administrative expense, are expensed when incurred as the amortization period is one year or less. We do not have customer contracts that include significant financing components.

Deferred Taxes and Tax Reserves

Deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on temporary differences between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities, applying enacted tax rates expected to be in effect for the year in which the differences are expected to reverse. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities of a change in tax rates is recognized in income in the period that includes the enactment date. Based on the evaluation of available evidence, both positive and negative, we recognize future tax benefits, such as net operating loss carryforwards and tax credit carryforwards, to the extent that these benefits are more likely than not to be realized. We base our judgment of the recoverability of our deferred tax assets primarily on historical earnings, our estimate of current and expected future earnings using historical and projected future operating results, and prudent and feasible tax planning strategies.

The amount of income taxes we pay is subject to ongoing audits by federal, state and foreign tax authorities, which may result in proposed assessments. Significant judgment is required in determining income tax provisions and evaluating tax positions. We establish reserves for open tax years for uncertain tax positions that may be subject to challenge by various taxing authorities. The consolidated tax provision and related accruals include the impact of such reasonably estimable losses and related interest and penalties as deemed appropriate. Tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from uncertain tax positions are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement. For the year ended March 31, 2021, we had a net increase in our uncertain tax position of \$9.7 million. This included an increase of \$13.9 million primarily related to uncertain tax positions taken by TRUaire during pre-acquisiton periods, partially offset by a decrease of \$4.2 million in uncertain tax positions. For the year ended March 31, 2021, the interest and penalties related to the uncertain tax position resulted in a net decrease of \$0.9 million in income tax expense. For the year ended March 31, 2020, we had a net decrease in our uncertain tax positions. The interest and penalties related to the uncertain tax position resulted in a reduction of \$0.4 million in income tax expense. For the year ended March 31, 2019, we had an immaterial change in our uncertain tax position due to negligible changes from settlements in the current and prior years. Our liability for uncertain tax positions contains uncertainties as management is required to make assumptions and apply judgments to estimate exposures associated with our tax positions.

As of March 31, 2021, we are currently under examination by the IRS for a short period return ending September 30, 2015 for a CSWI subsidiary company. Our federal income tax returns for the years ended March 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 remain subject to examination. Our income tax returns for TRUaire's pre-acquisiton periods including calendar years 2017, 2018 and 2019 remain subject to examinations. Our income tax returns in certain state income tax jurisdictions remain subject to examination for various periods for the period ended September 30, 2015 and subsequent years.

While we believe we have adequately provided for any reasonably foreseeable outcome related to these matters, our future results may include favorable or unfavorable adjustments to our estimated tax liabilities. To the extent that the expected tax outcome of these matters changes, such changes in estimate will impact the income tax provision in the period in which such determination is made.

Goodwill and Indefinite-Lived Intangible Assets

The initial recording of goodwill and intangible assets requires subjective judgements concerning estimates of the fair value of the acquired assets. We test the value of goodwill for impairment as of January 31 each year or whenever events or circumstances indicate such asset may be impaired.

The test for goodwill impairment involves significant judgement in estimating projections of fair value generated through future performance of each of the reporting units. The identification of our reporting units began at the operating segment level and considered whether components one level below the operating segment levels should be identified as reporting units for purpose of testing goodwill for impairment based on certain conditions. These conditions included, among other factors, (i) the extent to which a component represents a business and (ii) the aggregation of economically similar components within the operating segments. Other factors that were considered in determining whether the aggregation of components was appropriate included the similarity of the nature of the products and services, the nature of the production processes, the methods of distribution and the types of industries served.

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Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 350 allows an optional qualitative assessment, prior to a quantitative assessment test, to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount. We bypassed the qualitative assessment and proceeded directly to the quantitative test. If the carrying value of a reporting unit exceeds its fair value, the goodwill of that reporting unit is impaired and an impairment loss is recorded equal to the excess of the carrying value over its fair value. We estimate the fair value of our reporting units based on an income approach, whereby we calculate the fair value of a reporting unit based on the present value of estimated future cash flows. A discounted cash flow analysis requires us to make various judgmental assumptions about future sales, operating margins, growth rates and discount rates, which are based on our budgets, business plans, economic projections, anticipated future cash flows and market participants. Our quantitative test performed as of January 31, 2021 indicated that no goodwill impairment loss should be recognized for the year ended March 31, 2021. There were no impairment loss recognized for the years ended March 31, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

We have indefinite-lived intangible assets in the form of trademarks and license agreements. We test these intangible assets for impairment at least annually as of January 31 or whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Significant assumptions used in the impairment test include the discount rate, royalty rate, future sales projections and terminal value growth rate. These inputs are considered non-recurring level three inputs within the fair value hierarchy. An impairment loss would be recognized when estimated future cash flows are less than their carrying amount. We recorded impairment losses on intangible assets (excluding those related to discontinued operations) of \$0, \$1.0 million and \$0 for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

ACCOUNTING DEVELOPMENTS

We have presented the information about accounting pronouncements not yet implemented in Note 1 to our consolidated financial statements included in Item 8 of this Annual Report.

ITEM 7A: QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK

We are exposed to market risk from changes in interest rates and foreign currency exchange rates, which may adversely affect our consolidated financial position and results of operations. We seek to minimize these risks through regular operating and financing activities, and when deemed appropriate, through the use of interest rate swaps. It is our policy to enter into interest rate swaps only to the extent considered necessary to meet our risk management objectives. We do not purchase, hold or sell derivative financial instruments for trading or speculative purposes.

Variable Rate Indebtedness

We are subject to interest rate risk on our variable rate indebtedness. Fluctuations in interest rates have a direct effect on interest expense associated with our outstanding indebtedness. As of March 31, 2021, we had \$232.0 million in outstanding variable rate indebtedness, after consideration of the interest rate swap. We manage, or hedge, interest rate risks related to our borrowings by means of interest rate swap agreements. At March 31, 2021, we had an interest rate swap agreement that covered 4.3% of our \$242.3 million of our total outstanding indebtedness. At March 31, 2021, we had \$232.0 million in unhedged variable rate indebtedness with a weighted average interest rate of 2.11%. Each quarter point change in interest rates would result in a change of approximately \$0.6 million in our interest expense on an annual basis.

We may also be exposed to credit risk in derivative contracts we may use. Credit risk is the failure of the counterparty to perform under the terms of the derivative contract. If the fair value of a derivative contract is positive, the counterparty will owe us, which creates credit risk for us. If the fair value of a derivative contract is negative, we will owe the counterparty and, therefore, do not have credit risk. We have sought to minimize the credit risk in derivative instruments by entering into transactions with high-quality counterparties.

Foreign Currency Exchange Rate Risk

We conduct a small portion of our operations outside of the U.S. in currencies other than the U.S. dollar. Our non-U.S. operations are conducted primarily in their local currencies, which are also their functional currencies, and include the Australian dollar, British pound, Canadian dollar and Vietnamese dong. Foreign currency exposures arise from translation of foreign-denominated assets and liabilities into U.S. dollars and from transactions denominated in a currency other than a non-U.S. operation's functional currency. We realized net (losses) gains associated with foreign currency translation of \$4.8 million, \$(2.3) million and \$(2.0) million for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 or 2019, respectively, which are included in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss). We recognized foreign currency transaction net gains (losses) of \$(0.9) million, \$0.3 million and \$0.4 million for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 or 2019, respectively, which are included in other income (expense), net on our consolidated statements of operations.

Based on a sensitivity analysis at March 31, 2021, a 10% change in the foreign currency exchange rates for the year ended March 31, 2021 would have impacted our income from continuing operations by less than 1%. This calculation assumes that all currencies change in the same direction and proportion relative to the U.S. dollar and that there are no indirect effects, such as changes in non-U.S. dollar sales volumes or prices.

ITEM 8: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Shareholders CSW Industrials, Inc.

Opinion on the financial statements

We have audited the accompanying consolidated balance sheets of CSW Industrials, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of March 31, 2021 and 2020, the related consolidated statements of operations, comprehensive income (loss), equity and cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2021, and the related notes (collectively referred to as the "financial statements"). In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Company as of March 31, 2021 and 2020, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for each of the three years in the period ended March 31, 2021, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB"), the Company's internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2021, based on criteria established in the 2013 *Internal Control—Integrated Framework* issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"), and our report dated May 20, 2021 expressed an unqualified opinion.

Basis for opinion

These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's financial statements based on our audits. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, whether due to error or fraud. Our audits included performing procedures to assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to error or fraud, and performing procedures that respond to those risks. Such procedures included examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Our audits also included evaluating the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Critical audit matter

The critical audit matter communicated below is a matter arising from the current period audit of the financial statements that was communicated or required to be communicated to the audit committee and that: (1) relates to accounts or disclosures that are material to the financial statements and (2) involved our especially challenging, subjective, or complex judgments. The communication of critical audit matters does not alter in any way our opinion on the financial statements, taken as a whole, and we are not, by communicating the critical audit matter below, providing a separate opinion on the critical audit matter or on the accounts or disclosures to which it relates.

Valuation of Acquired Identifiable Intangible Assets

As described in Note 2 of the consolidated financial statements, the Company completed its acquisition of T.A. Industries, Inc. ("TRUaire") for a total purchase price of approximately \$384.6 million on December 15, 2020. The Company's accounting for the acquisition required the estimation of the fair value of assets acquired and liabilities assumed, which included a preliminary purchase price allocation of identifiable intangible assets of \$202.5 million to customer lists and \$43.5 million to a tradename. We have identified the valuation of customer lists and tradename to be a critical audit matter.

The principal consideration for our determination that the valuation of customer lists and tradename is a critical audit matter is the significant estimation uncertainty involved in determining fair value. The significant assumptions used to estimate the fair value of the identifiable intangible assets included the discount rates, royalty rate, and forecasted revenue growth rates and gross profit margins. These significant assumptions are forward-looking and could be affected by future changes in economic and market conditions and require significant auditor judgment in evaluating the reasonableness of the assumptions.

Our audit procedures related to the valuation of customer lists and tradename included the following, among others. We tested the design and operating effectiveness of the Company's internal controls over accounting for the TRUaire acquisition,

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including controls over the recognition and measurement of the customer lists and trade name intangible assets and management's judgments and evaluation of the underlying assumptions with regard to the valuation model applied.

We evaluated the significant assumptions used by comparing the forecasted revenue growth rates and gross profit margins to current industry and market trends and to the historical results of the acquired TRUaire business. In addition, we involved valuation specialists to assist in our evaluation of the valuation methodology and reasonableness of significant assumptions used by the Company. These procedures included developing a range of independent estimates for the discount rates and royalty rate and comparing those to the rates selected by management as well as performing sensitivity analyses of significant assumptions to evaluate the changes in the fair value of the acquired customer lists and trade name intangible assets that would result from changes in the assumptions.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

We have served as the Company's auditor since 2015.

Dallas, Texas May 20, 2021

CSW INDUSTRIALS, INC. CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	Mar	March 31,		
(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)	 2021		2020	
ASSETS		-		
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 10,088	\$	18,338	
Accounts receivable, net	96,695		74,880	
Inventories, net	98,086		53,753	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	9,684		3,074	
Total current assets	 214,553		150,045	
Property, plant and equipment, net	82,554		57,178	
Goodwill	218,795		91,686	
Intangible assets, net	283,060		46,185	
Other assets	 75,995		24,151	
Total assets	\$ 874,957	\$	369,245	
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$ 32,444	\$	21,978	
Accrued and other current liabilities	49,743		36,607	
Current portion of long-term debt	 561		561	
Total current liabilities	82,748		59,146	
Long-term debt	241,776		10,337	
Retirement benefits payable	1,695		1,879	
Other long-term liabilities	 136,725		21,142	
Total liabilities	462,944		92,504	
Equity:				
Common shares, \$0.01 par value	161		159	
Shares authorized – 50,000				
Shares issued – 16,162 and 16,055, respectively				
Preferred shares, \$0.01 par value	_			
Shares authorized (10,000) and issued (0)				
Additional paid-in capital	104,689		48,327	
Treasury shares, at cost (511 and 1,311 shares, respectively)	(34,075)		(75,377)	
Retained earnings	347,234		315,078	
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	 (5,996)		(11,446)	
Total equity	 412,013		276,741	
Total liabilities and equity	\$ 874,957	\$	369,245	

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	Year Ended March 31,								
(Amounts in thousands, except per share amounts)		2021		2020		2019			
Revenues, net	\$	419,205	\$	385,871	\$	350,155			
Cost of revenues		(234,405)		(208,821)		(188,785)			
Gross profit		184,800		177,050		161,370			
Selling, general and administrative expenses		(125,330)		(110,032)		(100,930)			
Impairment expenses		<u> </u>		(951)		_			
Operating income		59,470		66,067		60,440			
Interest expense, net		(2,383)		(1,331)		(1,442)			
Other (expense) income, net		(5,969)		(7,135)		2,443			
Income before income taxes		51,118		57,601		61,441			
Provision for income taxes		(10,830)		(12,784)		(15,389)			
Income from continuing operations		40,288		44,817		46,052			
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax				1,061		(478)			
Net income	\$	40,288	\$	45,878	\$	45,574			
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Basic earnings (loss) per common share:									
Continuing operations	\$	2.68	\$	2.98	\$	2.99			
Discontinued operations		_		0.07		(0.03)			
Net income	\$	2.68	\$	3.05	\$	2.96			
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Diluted earnings (loss) per common share:									
Continuing operations	\$	2.66	\$	2.95	\$	2.96			
Discontinued operations		_		0.07		(0.03)			
Net income	\$	2.66	\$	3.02	\$	2.93			

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

	Year Ended March 31,							
(Amounts in thousands)	2021 2020			2019				
Net income	\$	40,288	\$	45,878	\$	45,574		
Other comprehensive (loss) income:								
Foreign currency translation adjustments		4,791		(2,316)		(2,032)		
Cash flow hedging activity, net of taxes of \$(156), \$265 and \$72, respectively		587		(996)		(286)		
Pension and other postretirement effects, net of taxes of \$(34), \$(682) and \$177, respectively		72		2,595		(936)		
Other comprehensive (loss) income		5,450		(717)		(3,254)		
Comprehensive income	\$	45,738	\$	45,161	\$	42,320		

CSW INDUSTRIALS, INC. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EQUITY

(Amounts in thousands)	Con	nmon Stock	Т	reasury Shares	A	dditional Paid- In Capital	Retained Earnings	cumulated Other Comprehensive Loss	Total Equity
Balance at March 31, 2018	\$	158	\$	(3,252)	\$	42,684	\$ 233,650	\$ (7,475)	\$ 265,765
Adoption of ASU 2016-09		_		_		_	(1,232)	_	(1,232)
Adoption of ASC 606		_		_		_	(692)	_	(692)
Adoption of ASU 2018-02		_		_		_	288	_	288
Share-based compensation		_		_		3,949	_	_	3,949
Stock activity under stock plans				(1,086)			_	_	(1,086)
Repurchase of common shares		_		(45,626)		_	_	_	(45,626)
Net loss				_			45,574	_	45,574
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax		_		_		_	_	(3,254)	(3,254)
Balance at March 31, 2019	\$	158	\$	(49,964)	\$	46,633	\$ 277,588	\$ (10,729)	\$ 263,686
Adoption of ASC 842		_		_		_	(206)	_	(206)
Share-based compensation		_		_		5,074	_	_	5,074
Stock activity under stock plans		1		1,451		(3,432)	_	_	(1,980)
Repurchase of common shares		_		(26,864)		_	_	_	(26,864)
Net income		_		_		_	45,878	_	45,878
Dividends				_		52	(8,182)		(8,130)
Other comprehensive loss, net of tax		_		_		_	_	(717)	\$ (717)
Balance at March 31, 2020	\$	159	\$	(75,377)	\$	48,327	\$ 315,078	\$ (11,446)	\$ 276,741
Share-based compensation						5,085	_		5,085
Stock activity under stock plans		2		(2,812)		(2)	_	_	(2,812)
Repurchase of common shares		_		(7,291)		_	_	_	(7,291)
Reissuance of treasury shares		_		51,405		51,232	_	_	102,637
Net income		_		_		_	40,288	_	40,288
Dividends				_		47	(8,132)	_	(8,085)
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		_		_		_	_	5,450	5,450
Balance at March 31, 2021	\$	161	\$	(34,075)	\$	104,689	\$ 347,234	\$ (5,996)	\$ 412,013

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

	Year Ended March 31,								
(Amounts in thousands)		2021		2020		2019			
Cash flows from operating activities:									
Net income	\$	40,288	\$	45,878	\$	45,574			
Less: Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net of tax		_		1,061		(478)			
Income from continuing operations		40,288		44,817		46,052			
Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities:									
Depreciation		9,194		7,918		7,411			
Amortization of intangible and other assets		13,843		6,927		6,425			
Provision for inventory reserves		1,308		(28)		231			
Provision for doubtful accounts		696		909		818			
Share-based and other executive compensation		5,086		5,074		3,949			
Net gain on disposals of property, plant and equipment		(23)		(833)		(4,320)			
Pension plan termination expense		_		6,559		_			
Net pension benefit		163		(121)		(416)			
Impairment of intangible assets		_		951					
Realized deferred taxes (Note 14)		_		_		10,419			
Net deferred taxes		(1,737)		537		206			
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:									
Accounts receivable		(7,219)		(7,997)		(3,825)			
Inventories		(3,377)		(1,653)		(5,537)			
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(4,246)		3,969		725			
Other assets		(1,532)		29		920			
Accounts payable and other current liabilities		13,856		5,884		5,704			
Retirement benefits payable and other liabilities		(46)		(1,545)		(603)			
Net cash provided by operating activities, continuing operations		66,254		71,397		68,159			
Net cash used in operating activities, discontinued operations		_		(1,500)		(8,449)			
Net cash provided by operating activities		66,254		69,897		59,710			
Cash flows from investing activities:		<u> </u>				,			
Capital expenditures		(8,833)		(11,437)		(7,515)			
Proceeds from sale of assets held for investment		6,152				3,905			
Proceeds from sale of assets		30		1,292		3,295			
Cash paid for acquisitions		(287,238)		(11,837)		(10,100)			
Net cash used in investing activities, continuing operations		(289,889)		(21,982)		(10,415)			
Net cash provided by investing activities, discontinued operations		_		1,538		7,356			
Net cash used in investing activities		(289,889)		(20,444)		(3,059)			
Cash flows from financing activities:		(===,===)		(==,:::)		(0,000)			
Borrowings on lines of credit		255,000		7,500		28,000			
Repayments of lines of credit		(23,561)		(28,061)		(20,561)			
Payments of deferred loan costs		(148)		_		_			
Purchase of treasury shares		(10,489)		(28,460)		(46,712)			
Proceeds from stock option activity		1,330		_		_			
Dividends paid to shareholders		(8,083)		(8,130)		_			
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		214,049		(57,151)		(39,273)			
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and equivalents		1,336		(615)		(2,433)			
Net change in cash and cash equivalents		(8,250)		(8,313)		14,945			
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period		18,338		26,651		11,706			
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period	\$	10,088	\$		\$	26,651			
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Supplemental non-cash disclosure: Cash paid during the year for interest	¢	1 075	¢	1 105	ď	1 202			
	\$	1,875	\$		\$	1,302			
Cash paid during the year for income taxes		14,021		8,873		2,888			

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1. ORGANIZATION AND OPERATIONS AND SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

CSW Industrials, Inc. ("CSWI," "we," "our" or "us") is a diversified industrial growth company with well-established, scalable platforms and domain expertise across two segments: Industrial Products and Specialty Chemicals. Our broad portfolio of leading products provides performance optimizing solutions to our customers. Our products include mechanical products for heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration ("HVAC/R"), sealants and high-performance specialty lubricants. Drawing on our innovative and proven technologies, we seek to deliver solutions to our professional customers that require superior performance and reliability. Our diverse product portfolio includes more than 100 highly respected industrial brands including RectorSeal No. 5®, KOPR-KOTE®, KATS Coatings®, Safe-T-Switch®, Air Sentry®, Deacon®, Leak Freeze®, Greco® and TRUaire®.

Our products are well-known in the specific industries we serve and have a reputation for high quality and reliability. Markets that we serve include HVAC/R, architecturally-specified building products, plumbing, energy, rail, mining and general industrial markets.

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to have an impact on human health, the global economy and society at large. The pandemic and its resulting impacts had an adverse impact on our financial results in the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, as compared with the prior year, most notably within the first and second quarters of fiscal 2021. While the COVID-19 pandemic has contributed to increased demand in certain parts of our business, including the HVAC/R end market, we expect our overall results of operations and financial condition to continue to be adversely impacted through the duration of the pandemic when compared to pre-pandemic periods. Despite strong demand in certain of our end markets and signs of recovery in others, we cannot reasonably estimate the magnitude or length of the pandemic's adverse impact, including the effects of any vaccine or its ultimate impact on our business or financial condition, due to continued uncertainty regarding (1) the duration and severity of the COVID-19 pandemic and (2) the continued potential for short and long-term impacts on our facilities and employees, customer demand and supply chain.

All of our operations and products support critical infrastructure and are considered "essential" in all of the relevant jurisdictions in which we operate. In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we took numerous measures across our operating sites to ensure we continue to place the highest priority on the health, safety and well-being of our employees, while continuing to support our customers. Through the date of this filing, our businesses have continued to operate throughout the COVID-19 pandemic with appropriate safeguards for our employees and without any material disruptions.

Basis of Presentation – The consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows included in this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021 ("Annual Report") include all revenues, costs, assets and liabilities directly attributable to CSWI and have been prepared in accordance with United States ("U.S.") generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP").

Use of Estimates – The process of preparing financial statements in conformity with U.S. GAAP requires us to make estimates and assumptions that affect reported amounts of certain assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses. We believe our estimates and assumptions are reasonable; however, actual results may differ materially from such estimates. The most significant estimates and assumptions are used in determining:

- Timing and amount of revenue recognition;
- Deferred taxes and tax reserves; and
- · Valuation of goodwill and indefinite-lived intangible assets.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – We consider all highly liquid instruments purchased with original maturities of three months or less and money market accounts to be cash equivalents. We maintain our cash and cash equivalents at financial institutions for which the combined account balances in individual institutions may exceed insurance coverage and, as a result, there is a concentration of credit risk related to amounts on deposit in excess of insurance coverage. We had deposits in domestic banks of \$6.1 million and \$11.7 million at March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, and balances of \$4.0 million and \$6.6 million were held in foreign banks at March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Accounts Receivable, Allowance for Doubtful Accounts and Credit Risk – Trade accounts receivables are recorded at the invoiced amounts and do not bear interest. We record an allowance for credit losses on trade receivables that, when deducted from the gross trade receivables balance, presents the net amount expected to be collected. We estimate the allowance based on

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an aging schedule and according to historical losses as determined from our billings and collections history. This may be adjusted after consideration of customer-specific factors such as financial difficulties, liquidity issues or insolvency, as well as both current and forecasted macroeconomic conditions as of the reporting date. We adjust the allowance and recognize credit losses in the income statement each period. Trade receivables are written off against the allowance in the period when the receivable is deemed to be uncollectible. Subsequent recoveries of amounts previously written off are reflected as a reduction to periodic credit losses in the income statement. Our allowance for expected credit losses for short-term receivables as of March 31, 2021 was \$0.9 million, compared to \$1.2 million as of March 31, 2020. The activity for the year ended March 31, 2021 included write off of trade receivables of \$0.7 million for current period adjustments.

Credit risks are mitigated by the diversity of our customer base across many different industries and by performing creditworthiness analyses on our customers. Additionally, we mitigate credit risk through letters of credit and advance payments received from our customers. We do not believe that we have any significant concentrations of credit risk.

Inventories and Related Reserves – Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or net realizable value and include raw materials, supplies, direct labor and manufacturing overhead. Cost is determined using the last-in, first-out ("LIFO") method for valuing inventories at most of our domestic operations. Our foreign subsidiaries and some domestic operations use either the first-in, first out method or the weighted average cost method to value inventory. Foreign inventories represent approximately 12% and 6% of total inventories as of March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Reserves are provided for slow-moving or excess and obsolete inventory based on the difference between the cost of the inventory and its net realizable value and by reviewing quantities on hand in comparison with historical and expected future usage. In estimating the reserve for excess or slow-moving inventory, management considers factors such as product aging, current and future customer demand and market conditions.

Property, Plant and Equipment – Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated using the straight-line method over the estimated useful lives of the individual assets. When property, plant and equipment are retired or otherwise disposed of, the related cost and accumulated depreciation are removed from the accounts, and the resulting gain or loss is included in income from operations for the period. Generally, the estimated useful lives of assets are:

Land improvements	5	to	40 years
Buildings and improvements	7	to	40 years
Plant, office and lab equipment	5	to	10 years

We review property, plant and equipment for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable.

Repairs and maintenance costs are expensed as incurred, and significant improvements that either extend the useful life or increase the capacity or efficiency of property and equipment are capitalized and depreciated.

Valuation of Goodwill and Intangible Assets — The value of goodwill is tested for impairment at least annually as of January 31 or whenever events or circumstances indicate such assets may be impaired. The identification of our reporting units began at the operating segment level and considered whether components one level below the operating segment levels should be identified as reporting units for purpose of testing goodwill for impairment based on certain conditions. These conditions included, among other factors, (i) the extent to which a component represents a business and (ii) the aggregation of economically similar components within the operating segments. Other factors that were considered in determining whether the aggregation of components was appropriate included the similarity of the nature of the products and services, the nature of the production processes, the methods of distribution and the types of industries served.

Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 350 allows an optional qualitative assessment, prior to a quantitative assessment test, to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds its carrying amount. We bypassed the qualitative assessment and proceeded directly to the quantitative test. If the carrying value of a reporting unit exceeds it fair value, the goodwill of that reporting unit is impaired and an impairment loss is recorded equal to the excess of the carrying value over its fair value. We estimate the fair value of our reporting units based on an income approach, whereby we calculate the fair value of a reporting unit base on the present value of estimated future cash flows. A discounted cash flow analysis requires us to make various judgmental assumptions about future sales, operating margins, growth rates and discount rates, which are based on our budgets, business plans, economic projections, anticipated future cash

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flows and market participants. No goodwill impairment loss was recognized as a result of the impairment tests for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 or 2019.

We have intangible assets consisting of patents, trademarks, customer lists and non-compete agreements. Definite-lived intangible assets are assessed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying amount may not be recoverable. In addition, we have other trademarks and license agreements that are considered to have indefinite lives. We test indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment at least annually as of January 31 or whenever events or circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. Significant assumptions used in the impairment test include the discount rate, royalty rate, future sales projections and terminal value growth rate. These inputs are considered non-recurring Level III inputs within the fair value hierarchy. An impairment loss would be recognized when estimated future cash flows are less than their carrying amount. We recorded an impairment of intangible assets of continuing operations of \$0, \$1.0 million and \$0 for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Property Held for Investment – One of our non-operating subsidiaries holds and manages a non-operating property, which is valued at lower of cost or market and disposed of as opportunities arise to maximize value.

Deferred Loan Costs – Deferred loan costs related to our credit facility, which are reported in other assets and consist of fees and other expenses associated with debt financing, are amortized over the term of the associated debt using the effective interest method.

Fair Values of Financial Instruments – Our financial instruments are presented at fair value in our consolidated balance sheets, with the exception of our long-term debt, as discussed in Note 7. Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. Where available, fair value is based on observable market prices or parameters or derived from such prices or parameters. Where observable prices or inputs are not available, valuation models may be applied.

Assets and liabilities recorded at fair value in our consolidated balance sheets are categorized based upon the level of judgment associated with the inputs used to measure their fair values. Hierarchical levels, as defined by Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") 820, "Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures," are directly related to the amount of subjectivity associated with the inputs to fair valuation of these assets and liabilities. An asset or a liability's categorization within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of significant input to its valuation. Hierarchical levels are as follows:

- Level I Inputs are unadjusted, quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities at the measurement date.
- Level II Inputs (other than quoted prices included in Level I) are either directly or indirectly observable for the asset or liability through correlation with market data at the measurement date and for the duration of the instrument's anticipated life.
- Level III Inputs reflect management's best estimate of what market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability at the measurement date. Consideration is given to the risk inherent in the valuation technique and the risk inherent in the inputs to the model.

Recurring fair value measurements are limited to investments in derivative instruments and assets held in defined benefit pension plans. The fair value measurements of our derivative instruments are determined using models that maximize the use of the observable market inputs including interest rate curves and both forward and spot prices for currencies, and are classified as Level II under the fair value hierarchy. The fair values of our derivative instruments are included in Note 9. The fair values of assets held in defined benefit pension plans are discussed in Note 13.

Leases – We determine if a contract is or contains a lease at inception by evaluating whether the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset. Right-of-Use ("ROU") assets and lease liabilities are initially recognized at the commencement date based on the present value of remaining lease payments over the lease term calculated using our incremental borrowing rate, unless the implicit rate is readily determinable. ROU assets represent the right to use an underlying asset for the lease term, including any upfront lease payments made and excluding lease incentives. Lease liabilities represent the obligation to make future lease payments throughout the lease term. As most of our operating leases do not provide an implicit rate, we apply our incremental borrowing rate to determine the present value of remaining lease payments. Our incremental borrowing rate is determined based on information available at the commencement date of the lease. The lease term includes renewal periods when we are reasonably certain to exercise the option to renew. The ROU asset is amortized over the expected lease term. Lease and non-lease components, when present on our leases, are accounted for separately. Leases with an initial term of 12 months or less are excluded from recognition in the balance sheet, and the expense for these short-term

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leases and for operating leases is recognized on a straight-line basis over the lease term. We have certain lease contracts with terms and conditions that provide for variability in the payment amount based on changes in facts or circumstances occurring after the commencement date. These variable lease payments are recognized in our consolidated income statements as the obligation is incurred. As of March 31, 2021, we did not have material leases that imposed significant restrictions or covenants, material related party leases or sale-leaseback arrangements.

Derivative Instruments and Hedge Accounting — We do not use derivative instruments for trading or speculative purposes. We enter into interest rate swap agreements for the purpose of hedging our cash flow exposure to floating interest rates on certain portions of our debt. All derivative instruments are recognized on the balance sheet at their fair values. Changes in the fair value of a designated interest rate swap are recorded in other comprehensive loss until earnings are affected by the underlying hedged item. Any ineffective portion of the gain or loss is immediately recognized in earnings. Upon settlement, realized gains and losses are recognized in interest expense in the consolidated statements of operations.

We discontinue hedge accounting when (1) we deem the hedge to be ineffective and determine that the designation of the derivative as a hedging instrument is no longer appropriate; (2) the derivative matures, terminates or is sold; or (3) occurrence of the contracted or committed transaction is no longer probable or will not occur in the originally expected period. When hedge accounting is discontinued and the derivative remains outstanding, we carry the derivative at its estimated fair value on the balance sheet, recognizing changes in the fair value in current period earnings. If a cash flow hedge becomes ineffective, any deferred gains or losses remain in accumulated other comprehensive loss until the underlying hedged item is recognized. If it becomes probable that a hedged forecasted transaction will not occur, deferred gains or losses on the hedging instrument are recognized in earnings immediately.

We are exposed to risk from credit-related losses resulting from nonperformance by counterparties to our financial instruments. We perform credit evaluations of our counterparties under forward exchange contracts and interest rate swap agreements and expect all counterparties to meet their obligations. If necessary, we adjust the values of our derivative contracts for our or our counterparties' credit risk.

Pension Obligations — Determination of pension benefit obligations is based on estimates made by management in consultation with independent actuaries. Inherent in these valuations are assumptions including discount rates, expected rates of return on plan assets, retirement rates, mortality rates and rates of compensation increase and other factors, all of which are reviewed annually and updated if necessary. Current market conditions, including changes in rates of return, interest rates and medical inflation rates, are considered in selecting these assumptions.

- Discount rates are estimated using high quality corporate bond yields with a duration matching the expected benefit payments. The discount rate is
 obtained from a universe of AA-rated non-callable bonds across the full maturity spectrum to establish a weighted average discount rate. Our
 discount rate assumptions are impacted by changes in general economic and market conditions that affect interest rates on long-term high-quality
 debt securities, as well as the duration of our plans' liabilities.
- The expected rates of return on plan assets are derived from reviews of asset allocation strategies, expected future experience for trust asset returns, risks and other factors adjusted for our specific investment strategy. These rates are impacted by changes in general market conditions, but because they are long-term in nature, short-term market changes do not significantly impact the rates. Changes to our target asset allocation also impact these rates.

Actuarial gains and losses and prior service costs are recognized in accumulated other comprehensive loss as they arise, and we amortize these costs into net pension expense over the remaining expected service period.

We used a measurement date of March 31 for all periods presented.

Revenue Recognition — We recognize revenues to depict the transfer of control of promised goods or services to our customers in an amount that reflects the consideration to which we expect to be entitled in exchange for those goods or services. Refer to Note 18 for further discussion. We recognize revenue when all of the following criteria have been met: (i) a contract with a customer exists, (ii) performance obligations have been identified, (iii) the price to the customer has been determined, (iv) the price to the customer has been allocated to the performance obligations, and (v) performance obligations are satisfied, which are more fully described below.

(i) We identify a contract with a customer when a sales agreement indicates approval and commitment of the parties; identifies the rights of the parties; identifies the payment terms; has commercial substance; and it is probable that we

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will collect the consideration to which we will be entitled in exchange for the goods or services that will be transferred to the customer. In most instances, our contract with a customer is the customer's purchase order. For certain customers, we may also enter into a sales agreement that outlines a framework of terms and conditions that apply to all future purchase orders for that customer. In these situations, our contract with the customer is both the sales agreement and the specific customer purchase order. Because our contract with a customer is typically for a single transaction or customer purchase order, the duration of the contract is one year or less. As a result, we have elected to apply certain practical expedients and, as permitted by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB"), omit certain disclosures of remaining performance obligations for contracts that have an initial term of one year or less.

- (ii) We identify performance obligations in a contract for each promised good or service that is separately identifiable from other promises in the contract and for which the customer can benefit from the good or service either on its own or together with other resources that are readily available to the customer. Goods and services provided to our customers that are deemed immaterial are included with other performance obligations.
- (iii) We determine the transaction price as the amount of consideration we expect to be entitled to in exchange for fulfilling the performance obligations, including the effects of any variable consideration.
- (iv) For any contracts that have more than one performance obligation, we allocate the transaction price to each performance obligation in an amount that depicts the amount of consideration to which we expect to be entitled in exchange for satisfying each performance obligation. We have excluded disclosure of the transaction price allocated to remaining performance obligations if the performance obligation is part of a contract that has an original expected duration of one year or less as the majority of our contracts are short-term in nature with a term of one year or less.
- (v) We recognize revenue when, or as, we satisfy the performance obligation in a contract by transferring control of a promised good or service to the customer.

We exclude from the measurement of the transaction price all taxes assessed by a governmental authority that are both imposed on and concurrent with a specific revenue-producing transaction and collected from a customer. As such, we present revenue net of sales and other similar taxes. Shipping and handling costs associated with outbound freight after control over a product has transferred to a customer are accounted for as a fulfillment cost and are included in cost of revenues. Costs to obtain a contract, which include sales commissions recorded in selling, general and administrative expense, are expensed when incurred as the amortization period is one year or less. We do not have customer contracts that include significant financing components.

Research and Development ("R&D") - R&D costs are expensed as incurred. Costs incurred for R&D primarily include salaries and benefits and consumable supplies, as well as rent, professional fees, utilities and the depreciation of property and equipment used in R&D activities. R&D costs included in selling, general and administrative expense were \$4.5 million, \$4.3 million and \$4.3 millions for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively.

Share-based Compensation – Share-based compensation is measured at the grant-date fair value. The exercise price of stock option awards and the fair value of restricted share awards are set at the closing price of our common stock on the Nasdaq Global Select Market on the date of grant, which is the date such grants are authorized by our Board of Directors. The fair value of performance-based restricted share awards is determined using a Monte Carlo simulation model incorporating all possible outcomes against the Russell 2000 Index. The fair value of share-based payment arrangements is amortized on a straight-line basis to compensation expense over the period in which the restrictions lapse based on the expected number of shares that will vest. To cover the exercise of options and vesting of restricted shares, we generally issue new shares from our authorized but unissued share pool, although we may instead issue treasury shares in certain circumstances.

Income Taxes, Deferred Taxes, Tax Valuation Allowances and Tax Reserves — We apply the liability method in accounting and reporting for income taxes. Under the liability approach, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based upon the difference between the financial statement carrying amounts and the tax basis of assets and liabilities that will result in taxable or deductible amounts in the future based on enacted tax rates expected to be in effect when these differences are expected to reverse. The effect on deferred tax assets and liabilities resulting from a change in tax rates is recognized in the period that includes the enactment date. The deferred income tax assets are adjusted by a valuation allowance, if necessary, to recognize future tax benefits only to the extent, based on available evidence, that it is more likely than not to be realized. This analysis is performed on a jurisdictional basis and reflects our ability to utilize these deferred tax assets through a review of past, current and estimated future taxable income in addition to the establishment of viable tax strategies that will result in the utilization of the deferred assets.

We recognize income tax related interest and penalties, if any, as a component of income tax expense.

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Unremitted Earnings – During the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2019, we lifted our assertion that the earnings of our United Kingdom ("U.K.") and Australian subsidiaries were indefinitely invested outside of the U.S. During the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 2020, we lifted our assertion that the earnings of our Jet Lube Canada subsidiary were indefinitely invested outside of the U.S. We assert that the foreign earnings of the U.K., Australian, Vietnam and Jet Lube Canada subsidiaries will be remitted to the U.S. through distributions. We still consider the earnings of our other Canadian subsidiaries indefinitely invested outside the U.S. as we have needs for working capital in our other Canadian entities. A provision was made for taxes that may become payable upon distribution of earnings from our U.K., Australian, Vietnam and Jet Lube Canada subsidiaries.

Uncertain Tax Positions – We establish income tax liabilities to remove some or all of the income tax benefit of any of our income tax positions based upon one of the following: (1) the tax position is not "more likely than not" to be sustained, (2) the tax position is "more likely than not" to be sustained, but not in the financial period in which the tax position was originally taken. The amount of income taxes we pay is subject to ongoing audits by federal, state, and foreign taxing authorities, which often result in proposed assessments. We establish reserves for open tax years for uncertain tax positions that may be subject to challenge by various taxing authorities. The consolidated tax provision and related accruals include the impact of such reasonably estimable losses and related interest and penalties as deemed appropriate.

We recognize the tax benefit from an uncertain tax position only if it is more likely than not that the tax position will be sustained on examination by the taxing authorities. The determination is based on the technical merits of the position and presumes that each uncertain tax position will be examined by the relevant taxing authority that has full knowledge of all relevant information. The tax benefits recognized in the financial statements from such a position are measured based on the largest benefit that has a greater than 50% likelihood of being realized upon ultimate settlement.

Earnings Per Share – We use the two-class method of calculating earnings per share, which determines earnings per share for each class of common stock and participating security as if all earnings of the period had been distributed. If the holders of restricted stock awards are entitled to vote and receive dividends during the restriction period, unvested shares of restricted stock qualify as participating securities and, accordingly, are included in the basic computation of earnings per share. Our unvested restricted shares participate on an equal basis with common shares; therefore, there is no difference in undistributed earnings allocated to each participating security. Accordingly, the presentation in Note 10 is prepared on a combined basis and is presented as earnings per common share. Diluted earnings per share is based on the weighted average number of shares as determined for basic earnings per share plus shares potentially issuable in conjunction with stock options.

Foreign Currency Translation — Assets and liabilities of our foreign subsidiaries are translated to U.S. dollars at exchange rates prevailing at the balance sheet date, while income and expenses are translated at average rates for each month. Translation gains and losses are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss. Transactional currency gains and losses arising from transactions in currencies other than our sites' functional currencies are included in our consolidated statements of operations.

Transaction and translation gains and losses arising from intercompany balances are reported as a component of accumulated other comprehensive loss when the underlying transaction stems from a long-term equity investment or from debt designated as not due in the foreseeable future. Otherwise, we recognize transaction gains and losses arising from intercompany transactions as a component of income.

Segments – We conduct our operations through two business segments based on type of product and how we manage the business. The products for our segments are distributed both domestically and internationally. For decision-making purposes, our Chief Executive Officer and other members of senior executive management use financial information generated and reported at the reportable segment level. We evaluate segment performance and allocate resources based on each reportable segment's operating income. Our reportable segments are as follows:

- *Industrial Products* includes specialty mechanical products, fire and smoke protection products, architecturally-specified building products and storage, filtration and application equipment for use with our specialty chemicals and other products for general industrial application.
- *Specialty Chemicals* includes pipe thread sealants, firestopping sealants and caulks, adhesives/solvent cements, lubricants and greases, drilling compounds, anti-seize compounds, chemical formulations and degreasers and cleaners.

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Intersegment sales and transfers are recorded at cost plus a profit margin, with the revenues and related margin on such sales eliminated in consolidation. We do not allocate interest expense, interest income or other income, net to our segments. Our corporate headquarters does not constitute a separate segment. The Eliminations and Other segment information is included to reconcile segment data to the consolidated financial statements and includes assets and expenses primarily related to corporate functions and excess non-operating properties.

Discontinued Operations – During the third quarter of the fiscal year ended March 31, 2019, we committed to a plan to divest our Strathmore products business (the "Coatings business"). This determination resulted in the reclassification of the assets and liabilities comprising that business to assets held-forsale, and a corresponding adjustment to our consolidated statements of operations to reflect discontinued operations for all periods presented.

Accounting Developments

Pronouncements Implemented

In June 2016, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Accounting Standards Update ("ASU") No. 2016-13, "Financial Instruments - Credit Losses (Topic 326), Measurement of Credit Losses on Financial Instruments." The ASU requires, among other things, the use of a new current expected credit loss model in order to determine an allowance for credit losses with respect to financial assets and instruments held. The CECL model requires that we estimate the lifetime of an expected credit loss for financial assets held at the reporting date based on historical experience, current conditions and reasonable and supportable forecasts. On April 1, 2020, we adopted the ASU on a prospective basis to determine our allowance for credit losses in accordance with the requirements of Topic 326, and we modified our accounting policy and processes to facilitate this approach. Our primary exposure to financial assets that are within the scope of CECL are trade receivables. Our adoption of ASU No. 2016-13 effective April 1, 2020 did not have a material impact on our condensed consolidated financial condition and results of operations.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-13, "Fair Value Measurement (Topic 820): Disclosure Framework—Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Fair Value Measurement." The amendments of the ASU modify the disclosure requirements for fair value measurements by removing, modifying or adding certain disclosure requirements for assets and liabilities measured at fair value in the statement of financial position or disclosed in the notes to the financial statements. The ASU is effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those fiscal years, beginning after December 15, 2019, with early adoption permitted for the removed disclosures and delayed adoption until fiscal year 2020 permitted for the new disclosures. The removed and modified disclosures were adopted on a retrospective basis and the new disclosures were adopted on a prospective basis. Our adoption of ASU No. 2018-13 effective April 1, 2020 did not impact our disclosures.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-14, "Disclosure Framework – Changes to the Disclosure Requirements for Defined Benefit Plans," which modifies the disclosure requirements for employers that sponsor defined benefit pension or other postretirement plans. The amendments remove disclosures that no longer are considered cost beneficial, clarify the specific requirements of disclosures and add disclosure requirements identified as relevant. This ASU is effective, on a retrospective basis, for fiscal years ending after December 15, 2020. We have adopted the standard and the required disclosure are reflected on our annual disclosures of the Company's defined benefit plans.

In August 2018, the FASB issued ASU No. 2018-15, "Intangibles-Goodwill and Other-Internal-Use Software (Subtopic 350-40): Customer's Accounting for Implementation Costs Incurred in a Cloud Computing Arrangement That Is a Service Contract." The ASU addresses how entities should account for costs associated with implementing a cloud computing arrangement that is considered a service contract. Per the amendments of the ASU, implementation costs incurred in a cloud computing arrangement that is a service contract should be accounted for in the same manner as implementation costs incurred to develop or obtain software for internal use as prescribed by guidance in ASC 350-40. The ASU requires that implementation costs incurred in a cloud computing arrangement be capitalized rather than expensed. Further, the ASU specifies the method for the amortization of costs incurred during implementation, and the manner in which the unamortized portion of these capitalized implementation costs should be evaluated for impairment. The ASU also provides guidance on how to present such implementation costs in the financial statements and also creates additional disclosure requirements. The amendments are effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2019. The amendments in this ASU can be applied either retrospectively or prospectively to all implementation costs incurred after the date of adoption. Our adoption of ASU No. 2018-15 effective April 1, 2020 did not have an impact on our condensed consolidated financial condition and results of operations.

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Pronouncements not yet implemented

In December 2019, the FASB issued ASU No. 2019-12, "Income Taxes: Simplifying the Accounting for Income Taxes." The amendments in this ASU simplify the accounting for income taxes by removing certain exceptions and adding some requirements regarding franchise (or similar) tax, step-ups in a business combination, treatment of entities not subject to tax and when to apply enacted changes in tax laws. This ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2020 and interim periods within those fiscal years. The amendments related to changes in ownership of foreign equity method investments or foreign subsidiaries should be applied on a modified retrospective basis through a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption. The amendments related to franchise taxes that are partially based on income should be applied on either a retrospective basis for all periods presented or a modified retrospective basis through a cumulative-effect adjustment to retained earnings as of the beginning of the fiscal year of adoption. All other amendments should be applied on a prospective basis. Early adoption is permitted. Our initial assessment of this ASU indicates it will not have a material impact on our consolidated financial condition and results of operations, but our assessment is not complete.

In March 2020, the FASB issued ASU 2020-04, "Reference Rate Reform (Topic 848) Facilitation of the Effects of Reference Rate Reform on Financial Reporting." This update provides optional guidance for a limited period of time to ease potential accounting impacts associated with transitioning away from reference rates that are expected to be discontinued, such as interbank offered rates and LIBOR. In the U.S., the Alternative Reference Rates Committee has identified the Secured Overnight Financing Rate ("SOFR") as its preferred alternative to LIBOR. This ASU includes practical expedients for contract modifications due to reference rate reform. Generally, contract modifications related to reference rate reform may be considered an event that does not require remeasurement or reassessment of a previous accounting determination at the modification date. This ASU is effective immediately; however, it is only available through December 31, 2022. The adoption is not expected to have a significant impact on our consolidated financial condition and results of operations.

2. ACQUISITIONS

T.A. Industries

On December 15, 2020, we acquired 100% of the outstanding equity of T.A. Industries, Inc. ("TRUaire"), a leading manufacturer of grilles, registers, and diffusers for the residential and commercial HVAC/R end market, based in Santa Fe Springs, California. The acquisition also included TRUaire's wholly-owned manufacturing facility based in Vietnam. The acquisition is expected to extend the Company's product offerings to the HVAC market as well as add new customers and provide strategic distribution facilities.

The contractual consideration paid for TRUaire included cash of \$284 million (\$286.9 million after working capital and closing cash adjustments) and 849,852 shares of the Company's common stock (valued at approximately \$76.0 million at transaction signing on November 4, 2020) valued at \$97.7 million at transaction close based on the closing market price of the Company's common shares on the acquisition date. The cash consideration was funded through a combination of cash on hand and borrowings under our revolving credit facility. The 849,852 shares of common stock delivered to the sellers as consideration were reissued from treasury shares.

Acquisition Consideration (Amounts in thousands, except for shares)

Cash (a)	\$ 286,925
Common stock (849,852 shares)	 97,656
Total consideration transferred	\$ 384,581

(a) Amount includes working capital and closing cash adjustments, and excludes the \$1.2 million received by the Company on April 1, 2021 as a result of the final working capital true-up adjustment pursuant to the purchase agreement.

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The TRUaire acquisition was accounted for as a business combination under FASB Accounting Standards Codification Topic 805, Business Combinations ("Topic 805"). Pursuant to Topic 805, the Company allocated the TRUaire purchase price to tangible and identifiable intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed based on their estimated fair values as of the acquisition date, December 15, 2020. The excess of the purchase price over those fair values was recorded to goodwill. The Company's evaluation of the facts and circumstances available as of the acquisition date, to assign fair values to assets acquired and liabilities assumed, including income tax related amounts, is ongoing. As we complete further analysis of tangible assets, intangible assets and liabilities assumed, additional information impacting the assets acquired and the related allocation thereof, may become available. A change in information related to the net assets acquired may change the amount of the purchase price assigned to goodwill, and, as a result, the preliminary fair values set forth below are subject to adjustments when additional information is obtained and valuations are completed. Provisional adjustments, if any, will be recognized during the reporting period in which the adjustments are determined. We expect to finalize the purchase price allocation as soon as practicable, but no later than one year from the acquisition date. The following table summarizes the Company's best initial estimate of the aggregate fair value of the assets acquired and liabilities assumed at the date of acquisition (in thousands).

	Initial l	Estimated Fair Value	Measurement Period Adjustments	Up	dated Estimated Fair Value
Cash	\$	1,471	\$ —	\$	1,471
Accounts Receivable, net		13,467	_		13,467
Inventory		46,313	(1,300)		45,013
Short-Term Tax Indemnity Assets		5,000	_		5,000
Other Current Assets		1,285	1,041		2,326
Property, Plant and Equipment		28,832	(3,065)		25,767
Trade Name (indefinite life)		43,500	_		43,500
Customer Lists (useful life of 15 years)		194,000	8,500		202,500
Right-Of-Use Assets		49,040	_		49,040
Long-Term Tax Indemnity Assets		7,500	_		7,500
Other Long-term Assets		2,850	402		3,252
Accounts Payable		(4,074)	_		(4,074)
Accrued and Other Current Liabilities		(3,678)	(1,395)		(5,073)
Lease Liabilities - Short-Term		(4,811)	_		(4,811)
Deferred Tax Liabilities		(56,249)	(6,912)		(63,161)
Tax Contingency Reserve		(22,511)	5,190		(17,321)
Lease Liabilities - Long-Term		(45,369)			(45,369)
Estimated fair value of net assets acquired	·-	256,566	2,461	·	259,027
Goodwill		129,169	(3,615)		125,554
Total Purchase Price	\$	385,735	\$ (1,154)	\$	384,581

Deferred tax liabilities were established to record the deferred tax impact of purchase price accounting adjustments, primarily related to intangibles assets. Tax contingency reserves relate to uncertain tax positions TRUaire took in the periods prior to the acquisition date.

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In accordance with the tax indemnification included in the purchase agreement of TRUaire, the seller has provided contractual indemnification to the Company for up to \$12.5 million related to uncertain tax positions taken in prior years. The outcome of this arrangement will either be settled or expire by 2023. During the three months ended March 31, 2021, TRUaire received an audit closing letter from Internal Revenue Service related to calendar 2017, a pre-acquisition tax year. As a result of this, the relevant tax indemnification asset of \$5.0 million was released in accordance with the purchase agreement. The release of the relevant uncertain tax position accrual of \$5.3 million was recorded as an income tax benefit for the three months ended March 31, 2021, and the offsetting indemnification expense of \$5.0 million was recorded in other expense on the consolidated statement of operations. As of March 31, 2021, approximately \$7.5 million of the indemnification assets remained outstanding.

Goodwill of \$125.6 million represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the underlying tangible and intangible assets acquired and liabilities assumed. The acquisition goodwill represents the value expected to be obtained from expanding the Company's product offerings more broadly across the HVAC end market. The goodwill recorded as part of this acquisition is included in the Industrial Products segment. The goodwill associated with the acquisition will not be amortized for financial reporting purposes and will not be deductible for income tax purposes.

TRUaire generated net revenue of \$33.8 million and a net loss before income taxes of \$0.4 million for the period from the acquisition date to March 31, 2021. The loss before income taxes includes amortization expenses related to the acquired customer lists (\$3.9 million), the fair value step-up of the inventory (\$3.5 million), the indemnification expense of \$5.0 million discussed above, and excludes the transaction expenses discussed below. TRUaire activity has been included in our Industrial Products segment since the acquisition date. During the year ended March 31, 2021, the Company incurred and paid \$7.8 million of transaction expenses in connection with the TRUaire acquisition, which are included in selling, general and administrative expenses in the Consolidated Statement of Operations.

Pursuant to Topic 805, unaudited supplemental proforma results of operations for the year ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, as if the acquisition of TRUaire had occurred on April 1, 2019 are presented below (in thousands, except per share amounts):

	 Year Ended March 31,			
	2021	2020		
Revenue, net	\$ 495,788 \$	480,285		
Net income	47,891	28,730		
Net earnings per common share:				
Diluted	3.17	1.79		
Basic	3.19	1.81		

These proforma results do not present financial results that would have been realized had the acquisition occurred on April 1, 2019, nor are they intended to be a projection of future results. The unaudited proforma results include certain proforma adjustments to net income that were directly attributable to the acquisition, as if the acquisition had occurred on April 1, 2019, including the following:

- Transactions expenses of \$0 and \$7.8 million for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, that would have been recognized by the Company related to the TRUaire acquisition;
- Additional depreciation expense of \$0.4 million and \$0.6 million for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, that would have been recognized as a result of the fair value step-up of the property, plant and equipment;
- Additional amortization expense of \$0 and \$7.9 million for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, that would have been recognized as a result of the fair value step-up of the inventory;
- Additional amortization expense of \$9.6 million and \$13.5 million for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, that would have been recognized as a result of the allocation of purchase consideration to customer lists subject to amortization;
- Estimated additional interest expense of \$3.2 million and \$4.5 million for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, as a result of incurring additional borrowing;
- Income tax effect of the proforma adjustments calculated using a blended statutory income tax rate of 24.5% of \$3.2 million and \$8.4 million for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

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Petersen Metals

On April 2, 2019, we acquired the assets of Petersen Metals, Inc. ("Petersen"), based near Tampa, Florida, for \$11.8 million, of which \$11.5 million was paid at closing and funded through our revolving credit facility, and the remaining \$0.3 million represented a working capital adjustment paid in July 2019. Petersen is a leading designer, manufacturer and installer of architecturally-specified, engineered metal products and railings, including aluminum and stainless steel railings products for interior and exterior applications. The excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired was \$6.1 million allocated to goodwill, which will be deductible for income tax purposes. Goodwill represents the value expected to be obtained from enabling geographic, end market and product diversification and expansion as Petersen is a strategic complement to our existing line of architecturally-specified building products. The allocation of the fair value of the net assets acquired included customer lists of \$3.2 million and backlog of \$0.4 million, as well as accounts receivable, inventory and equipment of \$2.2 million, \$0.8 million and \$0.7 million, respectively, net of current liabilities of \$1.5 million. Customer lists are being amortized over 15 years, backlog is amortized over 1.5 years and goodwill is not being amortized. Petersen activity has been included in our Industrial Products segment since the acquisition date. No pro forma information has been provided due to immateriality.

MSD Research, Inc.

On January 31, 2019, we acquired the assets of MSD Research, Inc. ("MSD"), based in Boca Raton, Florida, for \$10.1 million, funded through our revolving credit facility. MSD is a leading provider of condensate management products for commercial and residential HVAC/R systems, including float switches, drain line cleanouts and flush tools. The excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the identifiable assets acquired was \$5.2 million allocated to goodwill, which will be deductible for income tax purposes. Goodwill represents the value expected to be obtained from a more extensive condensation management product portfolio for the HVAC/R market and leveraging our larger distributor network. The allocation of the fair value of the net assets acquired included customer lists, trademarks and technology of \$3.3 million, \$0.8 million and \$0.4 million, respectively, as well as inventory and accounts receivable of \$0.3 million and \$0.1 million, respectively. Customer lists and technology are being amortized over 10 years and 5 years, respectively, while trademarks and goodwill are not being amortized. MSD activity has been included in our Industrial Products segment since the acquisition date. No pro forma information has been provided due to immateriality.

3. DISCONTINUED OPERATIONS

During the quarter ended December 31, 2017, we commenced a sale process to divest our Coatings business to allow us to focus resources on our core growth platforms. Our former Coatings business manufactured specialized industrial coatings products including urethanes, epoxies, acrylics and alkyds. As of December 31, 2017, the Coatings business met the held-for-sale criteria under ASC 360, "Property, Plant and Equipment," and accordingly, we classified and accounted for the assets and liabilities of the Coatings business as held-for-sale in the accompanying consolidated balance sheets, and as discontinued operations, net of tax in the accompanying consolidated statements of operations and cash flows. We completed an initial assessment of the assets and liabilities of the Coatings business and recorded a \$46.0 million impairment based on our best estimates as of the date of issuance of financial results for quarter ended December 31, 2017. No adjustments to previously recorded estimates have been made subsequently.

On July 31, 2018, we consummated a sale of assets related to our Coatings business to an unrelated third party, the terms of which were not disclosed due to immateriality. During the quarter ended September 30, 2018, we received an aggregate of \$6.9 million for the sale of assets that related to our Coatings business in multiple transactions. This resulted in gains on disposal of \$6.9 million due to write-downs of long-lived assets in prior periods.

On March 17, 2020, we completed the sale of the last remaining real property owned by the Coatings business to an unrelated third party, the terms of which were not disclosed due to immateriality. The sale resulted in proceeds and a gain on disposal of \$1.5 million due to write-downs of long-lived assets in prior periods. The last remaining asset of the Coatings business is a long-term lease that expires in March 2027. We have not terminated the lease, but we have sub-let the property for the remainder of the lease term. As such, this lease has been moved back into continuing operations, effective March 31, 2020, and the related ROU assets and lease liabilities were reported as continuing operations as of March 31, 2020.

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The assets and liabilities of the Coatings business reside in a disregarded entity for tax purposes. Accordingly, the tax attributes associated with the operations of our Coatings business will ultimately flow through to the corporate parent, which files a consolidated federal return. Therefore, any corresponding tax assets or liabilities have been reflected as a component of our continuing operations. Discontinued operations reported no assets or liabilities as of March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, in the consolidated balance sheets.

Summarized selected financial information for the Coatings business for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, is presented in the following table (in thousands):

	Year Ended March 31,								
	2021 2020				2019				
Revenues, net	\$		\$	_	\$	5,303			
Gain (loss) from discontinued operations before income taxes		_		1,326		(774)			
Income tax (expense) benefit				(265)		296			
Gain (loss) from discontinued operations	\$		\$	1,061	\$	(478)			

4. GOODWILL AND INTANGIBLE ASSETS

The changes in the carrying amount of goodwill for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 were as follows (in thousands):

	Industrial Products			Specialty Chemicals	Total
Balance at April 1, 2019	\$	54,732	\$	31,563	\$ 86,295
Petersen acquisition		6,128		_	6,128
Currency translation		(737)			(737)
Balance at March 31, 2020	\$	60,123	\$	31,563	\$ 91,686
T.A. industries acquisition		125,554		_	125,554
Currency translation		1,555			1,555
Balance at March 31, 2021	\$	187,232	\$	31,563	\$ 218,795

The following table provides information about our intangible assets for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 (in thousands, except years):

		March 31, 2021					March	31, 2	020
	Wtd Avg Life (Years)	E	Ending Gross Amount		Accumulated Amortization]	Ending Gross Amount		Accumulated Amortization
Finite-lived intangible assets:									
Patents	11	\$	9,461	\$	(7,540)	\$	9,635	\$	(6,935)
Customer lists and amortized trademarks	14		267,096		(42,345)		62,806		(33,098)
Non-compete agreements	5		982		(790)		1,653		(1,494)
Other	8		4,743		(3,141)		5,219		(2,628)
		\$	282,282	\$	(53,816)	\$	79,313	\$	(44,155)
Trade names and trademarks not being amortized (a):		\$	54,594	\$		\$	11,027	\$	_

⁽a) In the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2020, we recorded an impairment of \$1.0 million on one of our unamortized trademarks in our Specialty Chemicals segment.

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Amortization expense for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 was \$10.5 million, \$6.7 million and \$6.2 million, respectively. The following table presents the estimated future amortization of finite-lived intangible assets for the next five fiscal years ending March 31 (in thousands):

2022	\$ 19,288
2023	18,279
2024	17,567
2025	16,609
2026	15,699
Thereafter	 141,024
Total	 228,466

5. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

We maintain the shareholder-approved 2015 Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan (the "2015 Plan"), which provides for the issuance of up to 1,230,000 shares of CSWI common stock through the grant of stock options, stock appreciation rights, restricted shares, restricted stock units, performance shares, performance units or other share-based awards, to employees, officers and non-employee directors. As of March 31, 2021, 675,113 shares were available for issuance under the 2015 Plan.

Year Ended March 31, 2021

We recorded share-based compensation expense as follows for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 (in thousands):

	Stock Options		Restricted Stock		Total
Share-based compensation expense	\$ 	\$	5,085	\$	5,085
Related income tax benefit	_		(1,220)		(1,220)
Net share-based compensation expense	\$ 	\$	3,865	\$	3,865
	Yea	r E	nded March 31,	2020	
	Stock Options		Restricted Stock		Total
Share-based compensation expense	\$ _	\$	5,074	\$	5,074
Related income tax benefit			(1,218)		(1,218)
Net share-based compensation expense	\$ 	\$	3,856	\$	3,856
	Yea	ır E	anded March 31,	2019	
	Stock Options		Restricted Stock		Total
Share-based compensation expense	\$ 19	\$	3,924	\$	3,943
Related income tax benefit	(5)		(942)		(947)
Net share-based compensation expense	\$ 14	\$	2,982	\$	2,996

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Stock option activity, which represents outstanding CSWI awards resulting from conversion awards held by current and former Capital Southwest employees, was as follows:

	Year Ended March 31, 2021							
	Number of Shares	Av	Weighted erage Exercise Price	Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Aggres Intrinsic V Millio	alue (in		
Outstanding at April 1, 2020	115,858	\$	25.30					
Exercised	(52,445)		25.40					
Outstanding at March 31, 2021 (a)	63,413	\$	25.23	3.4	\$	7.0		
Exercisable at March 31, 2021 (a)	63,413	\$	25.23	3.4	\$	7.0		

(a) All remaining awards outstanding and exercisable at March 31, 2021 are held by employees of CSWI.

	Year Ended March 31, 2020						
	Number of Shares		Weighted age Exercise Price	Remaining Contractual Life (Years)	Intr	ggregate insic Value Millions)	
Outstanding at April 1, 2019	231,717	\$	25.12				
Exercised	(115,859)		24.93				
Outstanding at March 31, 2020	115,858	\$	25.30	4.1	\$	4.6	
Exercisable at March 31, 2020	115,858	\$	25.30	4.1	\$	4.6	

No options were granted during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, and all stock options were vested and recognized as of March 31, 2021. The intrinsic value of options exercised during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 was \$2.5 million, \$5.6 million and \$0, respectively. Cash received for options exercised during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 was \$1.3 million, \$2.9 million and \$0, respectively, and the tax benefit received was \$0.4 million, \$1.2 million and \$0, respectively. The total fair value of stock options vested during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 was \$0, \$0 and \$0.1 million, respectively.

Restricted stock activity was as follows:

	Year Ended M	Iarch 31, 2021
	Number of Shares	Weighted Average Grant Date Fair Value
Outstanding at April 1, 2020	202,466	\$ 60.78
Granted	119,751	75.88
Vested	(124,985)	52.89
Canceled	(24,316)	70.67
Outstanding at March 31, 2021 (a)	172,916	\$ 70.50

⁽a) All remaining awards outstanding and exercisable at March 31, 2021 are held by employees of CSWI.

During the restriction period, the holders of restricted shares are entitled to vote and receive dividends. Unvested restricted shares outstanding as of March 31, 2021 and 2020 included 82,728 and 93,249 shares (at target), respectively, with performance-based vesting provisions, having vesting ranges from 0-200% based on pre-defined performance targets with market conditions. Performance-based awards accrue dividend equivalents, which are settled upon (and to the extent of) vesting of the underlying award, and do not have the right to vote until vested. Performance-based awards are earned upon the achievement of objective performance targets and are payable in common shares. Compensation expense is calculated based on the fair market value as determined by a Monte Carlo simulation and is recognized over a 36-month cliff vesting period. We granted 34,245 and 31,758 awards with performance-based vesting provisions during the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, with a vesting range of 0-200%.

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At March 31, 2021, we had unrecognized compensation cost related to unvested restricted shares of \$6.9 million, which will be amortized into net income over the remaining weighted average vesting period of 1.9 years. The total fair value of restricted shares vested during the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 was \$8.5 million and \$6.3 million, respectively.

6. DETAILS OF CERTAIN CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET CAPTIONS

Accounts receivable, net consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,			
	 2021		2020	
Accounts receivable trade	\$ 93,366	\$	72,601	
Other receivables	4,244		3,449	
	 97,610		76,050	
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts	(915)		(1,170)	
Accounts receivable, net	\$ 96,695	\$	74,880	

Inventories, net consist of the following (in thousands):

		March 31,			
		2021		2020	
Raw materials and supplies	\$	27,416	\$	20,935	
Work in process		6,365		6,076	
Finished goods		72,452		33,771	
Total inventories	·	106,233		60,782	
Less: LIFO reserve		(4,565)		(4,816)	
Less: Obsolescence reserve		(3,582)		(2,213)	
Inventories, net	\$	98,086	\$	53,753	

Property, plant and equipment, net, consist of the following (in thousands):

	 March 31,			
	2021		2020	
Land and improvements	\$ 3,168	\$	3,106	
Buildings and improvements	53,020		44,612	
Plant, office and laboratory equipment	95,848		72,652	
Construction in progress	3,462		8,163	
	155,498		128,533	
Less: Accumulated depreciation	(72,944)		(71,355)	
Property, plant and equipment, net	\$ 82,554	\$	57,178	

Depreciation of property, plant and equipment was \$9.2 million, \$7.9 million and \$7.5 million for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively. Of these amounts, cost of revenues includes \$7.1 million, \$6.6 million and \$6.1 million, respectively.

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Other assets consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,			
	2021		2020	
Right-of-use lease assets	\$ 61,707	\$	16,383	
Property held for investment (a)	967		6,819	
Deferred income taxes	1,462		_	
Long-term tax indemnification assets	7,500		_	
Other	4,359		949	
Other assets	\$ 75,995	\$	24,151	

⁽a) As of March 31, 2021 and 2020, \$0.5 million and \$5.9 million in assets were held for sale, respectively, in the "Elimination and Other" segment.

Accrued and other current liabilities consist of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,				
		2021		2020	
Compensation and related benefits	\$	19,120	\$	18,666	
Rebates and marketing agreements		9,031		6,409	
Operating lease liabilities		8,063		3,056	
Billings in excess of costs		1,463		2,892	
Non-income taxes		1,593		750	
Income taxes payable		3,755		529	
Other accrued expenses		6,718		4,305	
Accrued and other current liabilities	\$	49,743	\$	36,607	

Other long-term liabilities consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,			
	 2021		2020	
Operating lease liabilities	\$ 56,709	\$	15,179	
Deferred income taxes	66,052		3,848	
Tax Reserve	13,228		623	
Other	736		1,492	
Other long-term liabilities	\$ 136,725	\$	21,142	

7. LONG-TERM DEBT AND COMMITMENTS

Debt consists of the following (in thousands):

	March 31,			
		2021		2020
Revolving Credit Facility, interest rate of 2.11% and 2.24%, respectively	\$	232,000	\$	_
Whitmore term loan, interest rate of 2.11% and 2.99%, respectively		10,337		10,898
Total debt		242,337		10,898
Less: Current portion		(561)		(561)
Long-term debt	\$	241,776	\$	10,337

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Revolving Credit Facility Agreement

On December 11, 2015, we entered into a five-year \$250.0 million revolving credit facility agreement ("Revolving Credit Facility"), with an additional \$50.0 million accordion feature, with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and the other lenders party thereto. The agreement was amended on September 15, 2017 to allow for multi-currency borrowing with a \$125.0 million sublimit and to extend the maturity date to September 15, 2022. The interest rate, financial covenants and all other material provisions of the Revolving Credit Facility were not materially changed by this amendment. On December 1, 2020, the Company entered into an amendment of the Revolving Credit Facility to utilize the accordion feature, thus increasing the commitment from \$250.0 million to \$300.0 million, and hence eliminating the available incremental commitment by a corresponding amount. On March 10, 2021, the Revolving Credit Facility was amended to facilitate the formation and future operation of the joint venture discussed in Note 21.

Borrowings under the Revolving Credit Facility bore interest at a rate of prime plus 1.00% or London Interbank Offered Rate ("LIBOR") plus 2.00%. We also paid a commitment fee of 0.30% for the unutilized portion of the Revolving Credit Facility. Interest and commitment fees are payable at least quarterly and the outstanding principal balance is due at the maturity date. The Revolving Credit Facility is secured by substantially all our assets. As of March 31, 2021 and 2020, we had \$232.0 million and \$0, respectively, in outstanding borrowings under the Facility, which resulted in a borrowing capacity of \$68.0 million and \$300.0 million, respectively, inclusive of the accordion feature. The Revolving Credit Facility contained certain customary restrictive covenants, including a requirement to maintain a minimum fixed charge coverage of ratio of 1.25 to 1.00 and a maximum leverage ratio of funded debt to EBITDA (as defined in the agreement) of 3.75 to 1.00. Covenant compliance is tested quarterly and we were in compliance with all covenants as of March 31, 2021.

On May 18, 2021, we entered into a Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Second Credit Agreement") with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity, the "Administrative Agent") and collateral agent, and the lenders, issuing banks and swingline lender party thereto. CSW Industrials Holdings, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Borrower"), is the borrower under the Second Credit Agreement. The Second Credit Agreement provides for a \$400.0 million revolving credit facility that contains a \$25.0 million sublimit for the issuance of letters of credit and a \$10.0 million sublimit for swingline loans. The Second Credit Agreement is scheduled to mature on May 18, 2026.

Borrowings under the Second Credit Agreement bear interest, at the Borrower's option, at either base rate or LIBOR, plus, in either case, an applicable margin based on the Company's leverage ratio calculated on a quarterly basis. The base rate is described in the Second Credit Agreement as the highest of (i) the Federal funds effective rate plus 0.50%, (ii) the prime rate quoted by The Wall Street Journal, and (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.00%.

Borrowings under the Second Credit Agreement may be used for working capital and general corporate purposes, including, without limitation, for financing permitted acquisitions and fees and expenses incurred in connection therewith.

The obligations of the Borrower under the Second Credit Agreement are guaranteed by the Company and all of its direct and indirect domestic subsidiaries. The Second Credit Agreement is secured by a first priority lien on all tangible and intangible assets and stock issued by the Borrower and its domestic subsidiaries, subject to specified exceptions, and 65% of the voting equity interests in its first-tier foreign subsidiaries.

The financial covenants contained in the Second Credit Agreement require the maintenance of a maximum Leverage Ratio of 3.00 to 1.00, subject to a temporary increase to 3.75 to 1.00 for 18 months following the consummation of permitted acquisitions with consideration in excess of certain threshold amounts set forth in the Second Credit Agreement, and the maintenance of a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of 1.25 to 1.00, the calculations and terms of which are defined in the Second Credit Agreement. The Second Credit Agreement also contains (i) affirmative and negative covenants which are customary for similar credit agreements, including, without limitation, limitations on the Company, the Borrower and its subsidiaries with respect to indebtedness, liens, investments, distributions, mergers and acquisitions, disposition of assets and transactions with affiliates, and (ii) customary events of default.

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Whitmore Term Loan

As of March 31, 2021, Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC (one of our wholly-owned operating subsidiaries) maintained a secured term loan related to the warehouse, corporate office building and remodel of the existing manufacturing and R&D facility. The term loan matures on July 31, 2029, with payments of \$140,000 due each quarter. Borrowings under the term loan bear interest at a variable annual rate equal to one-month LIBOR plus 2.0%. As of March 31, 2021 and 2020, Whitmore had \$10.3 million and \$10.9 million, respectively, in outstanding borrowings under the term loan. Interest payments under the Whitmore term loan are hedged under an interest rate swap agreement as described in Note 9.

Future Minimum Debt Payments

Future minimum debt payments are as follows for years ending March 31 (in thousands):

2022	\$ 561
2023 2024	232,561
2024	561
2025 2026	561
2026	561
Thereafter	7,532
Total	\$ 242,337

8. LEASES

We have operating leases for manufacturing facilities, offices, warehouses, vehicles and certain equipment. Our leases have remaining lease terms of 1 year to 27 years, some of which include escalation clauses and/or options to extend or terminate the leases.

In October 2019, we terminated two operating leases and paid an early lease termination fee of \$0.5 million. The loss on early termination is recorded in other income (expense), net as the leased properties were not used in our operations.

We do not currently have any financing lease arrangements.

(in thousands)	March 31, 2021		March 31, 2020	
Components of Operating Lease Expenses				
Operating lease expense (a)	\$	5,243	\$	3,524
Short-term lease expense (a)		377		225
Total operating lease expense	\$	5,620	\$	3,749
(a) Included in cost of revenues and selling, general and administrative expense		•		
	_			
(in thousands)	March	ı 31, 2021	March	31, 2021
(in thousands) Operating Lease Assets and Liabilities	March	1 31, 2021	March	31, 2021
	March \$	61,707	March \$	16,383
Operating Lease Assets and Liabilities				
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Operating Lease Assets and Liabilities ROU assets, net (a)	\$	61,707	\$	16,383
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(b) Included in accrued and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities, as applicable

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(in thousands)	March 31, 2021		Ma	arch 31, 2021
Supplemental Cash Flow		_		
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of operating lease liabilities (a)	\$	5,578	\$	3,824
ROU assets obtained in exchange for new operating lease obligations		114		3,187
(a) Included in our condensed consolidated statement of cash flows, operating activities in accounts payable and other	her current	liabilities		
Other Information for Operating Leases				
Weighted average remaining lease term (in years)		8.2		6.2
Weighted average discount rate (percent)		2.6 %		4.3 %
Maturities of operating lease liabilities were as follows (in thousands):				(in thousands)
2022			\$	9,551
2023				9,009
2024				8,910
2025				8,785
2026				8,786
Thereafter				26,518
Total lease liabilities			\$	71,559
Less: Imputed interest				(6,787)
Present value of lease liabilities			\$	64,772

9. DERIVATIVE INSTRUMENTS AND HEDGE ACCOUNTING

We enter into interest rate swap agreements to hedge exposure to floating interest rates on certain portions of our debt. As of March 31, 2021 and 2020, we had \$10.3 million and \$10.9 million, respectively, of notional amount in outstanding designated interest rate swaps with third parties. All interest rate swaps are highly effective. At March 31, 2021, the maximum remaining length of any interest rate swap contract in place was approximately 8.3 years.

The fair value of interest rate swaps designated as hedging instruments are summarized below (in thousands):

		March 31,		
	<u> </u>	2021		2020
Current derivative liabilities	\$	280	\$	271
Non-current derivative liabilities		736		1,492

The impact of changes in the fair value of interest rate swaps is included in Note 17.

Current derivative assets are reported in our consolidated balance sheets in prepaid expenses and other current assets. Current and non-current derivative liabilities are reported in our consolidated balance sheets in accrued and other current liabilities and other long-term liabilities, respectively.

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10. EARNINGS PER SHARE

The following table sets forth the reconciliation of the numerator and the denominator of basic and diluted earnings per share for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019:

March 31,					
<u></u>	2021		2020		2019
\$	40,288	\$	44,817	\$	46,052
	_		1,061		(478)
\$	40,288	\$	45,878	\$	45,574
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	14,919		14,928		15,257
	96		111		157
	15,015		15,039		15,414
	111		167		118
	15,126		15,206		15,532
\$	2.68	\$	2.98	\$	2.99
	_		0.07		(0.03)
\$	2.68	\$	3.05	\$	2.96
\$	2.66	\$	2.95	\$	2.96
	_		0.07		(0.03)
\$	2.66	\$	3.02	\$	2.93
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11. SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Share Repurchase Programs

On November 11, 2016, we announced that our Board of Directors authorized a program to repurchase up to \$35.0 million of our common stock over a two-year time period. As of October 31, 2018, a total of 656,203 shares had been repurchased for an aggregate amount of \$35.0 million, and the program was completed. During the year ended March 31, 2019, we repurchased 629,659 shares of our common stock under this program for an aggregate amount of \$33.8 million.

On November 7, 2018, we announced that our Board of Directors authorized a program to repurchase up to \$75.0 million of our common stock over a two-year time period. On October 30, 2020, we announced that our Board of Directors authorized a new program to repurchase up to \$100.0 million of our common stock, which replaced the previously announced \$75.0 million program. Under the newly-authorized program, shares may be repurchased from time to time in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions. Repurchases will be made at our discretion, based on ongoing assessments of the capital needs of the business, the market price of our common stock and general market conditions. Our Board of Directors has established an expiration of December 31, 2022 for completion of the new repurchase program; however, the program may be limited or terminated at any time at our discretion without notice. We repurchased 115,151 and 393,836 shares under the prior \$75.0 million program during the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively, for an aggregate amount of \$7.3 million and \$26.9 million, respectively. No shares were repurchased under the \$100.0 million program during the year ended March 31, 2021.

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Dividends

On April 4, 2019, we announced we had commenced a dividend program and that our Board of Directors approved a regular quarterly dividend of \$0.135 per share. Total dividends of \$8.1 million and \$8.1 million were paid during the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

On April 15, 2021, we announced a quarterly dividend of \$0.150 per share payable on May 14, 2021 to shareholders of record as of April 30, 2021. Any future dividends at the existing \$0.150 per share quarterly rate or otherwise will be reviewed individually and declared by our Board of Directors in its discretion.

12. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The fair value of interest rate swaps discussed in Note 9 are determined using Level II inputs. The carrying value of our debt, included in Note 7, approximates fair value as it bears interest at floating rates. The carrying amounts of other financial instruments (i.e., cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, net, accounts payable) approximated their fair values at March 31, 2021 and 2020 due to their short-term nature.

13. RETIREMENT PLANS

We had a frozen qualified defined benefit pension plan (the "Qualified Plan") that covered certain of our U.S. employees. The Qualified Plan was previously closed to employees hired or re-hired on or after January 1, 2015, and it was amended to freeze benefit accruals and to modify certain ancillary benefits effective as of September 30, 2015. Benefits were based on years of service and an average of the highest five consecutive years of compensation during the last ten years of employment. The funding policy of the Qualified Plan was to contribute annual amounts that are currently deductible for federal income tax purposes. No contributions were made during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 or 2019. During the year ended March 31, 2018, we offered lump sum payments to terminated vested participants, representing approximately 16% of our liability. Approximately 67% of those participants accepted the lump sum offer for an aggregate payment of \$7.3 million. During the six months ended September 30, 2019, we offered lump sum payments to eligible active and terminated vested participants, representing approximately 42% of our remaining liability. Approximately 74% of those participants accepted the lump sum offer for an aggregate payment of \$17.0 million in August 2019. We entered into an annuity purchase contract for the remaining liability in September 2019, and terminated the Qualified Plan effective September 30, 2019. The termination initially required an additional contribution of \$0.5 million, which was paid in September 2019, and resulted in an overall termination charge of \$7.0 million (\$5.4 million, net of tax) recorded in other (expense) income, net, due primarily to the recognition of expenses that were previously included in accumulated other comprehensive loss and the recognition of additional costs associated with the annuity purchase contract. After the participant data for the annuity purchase contract was finalized in the fiscal fourth quarter ended March 31, 2020, the Qualified Plan had exces

We maintain a frozen unfunded retirement restoration plan (the "Restoration Plan") that is a non-qualified plan providing for the payment to participating employees, upon retirement, of the difference between the maximum annual payment permissible under the Qualified Plan pursuant to federal limitations and the amount that would otherwise have been payable under the Qualified Plan. As with the Qualified Plan, the Restoration Plan was closed to new participants on January 1, 2015 and amended to freeze benefit accruals and to modify certain ancillary benefits effective as of September 30, 2015.

We maintain a registered defined benefit pension plan (the "Canadian Plan") that covers all of our employees based at our facility in Alberta, Canada. Employees are eligible for membership in the plan following the completion of one year of employment. Benefits accrue to eligible employees based on years of service and an average of the highest 60 consecutive months of compensation during the last 10 consecutive years of employment. Benefit eligibility typically occurs upon the first day of the month following an eligible employee's reaching age 65, and plan benefits are typically paid monthly in advance for the lifetime of the participant.

The plans described above (collectively, the "Plans") are presented in aggregate as the impact of the Restoration Plan and Canadian Plan to our consolidated financial position and results of operations is not material.

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The following are assumptions related to the Plans:

	March 31,				
	2021	2020	2019		
Assumptions used to determine benefit obligations:					
Discount rate	3.3 %	3.6 %	4.0 %		
Rate of compensation increases (a)	3.0 %	3.0 %	3.0 %		
Assumptions used to determine net pension expense:					
Discount rate	3.6 %	4.0 %	4.0 %		
Expected return on plan assets	4.8 %	4.8 %	4.6 %		
Rate of compensation increases (a)	3.0 %	3.0 %	3.0 %		

⁽a) Rate of compensation increase is no longer relevant to the Restoration Plan due to freezing benefit accruals. The rate of compensation increase on the Canadian Plan is \$3.0%.

The factors used in determination of these assumptions are described in Note 1.

Net pension (benefit) expense for the Plans was:

	Year Ended March 31				1,	
(in thousands)	_	2021		2020		2019
Service cost – benefits earned during the year	\$	40	\$	71	\$	76
Interest cost on projected benefit obligation		144		1,136		2,113
Expected return on assets		(96)		(1,361)		(2,656)
Net amortization and deferral		74		56		47
Pension plan termination (a)		_		6,472		_
Net pension expense (benefit)	\$	162	\$	6,374	\$	(420)

⁽a) Reflects impact of the termination of the Qualified Plan.

The estimated prior service costs and the estimated net loss for the Plans that will be amortized from accumulated other comprehensive loss into pension expense in the year ended March 31, 2022 is \$0.1 million.

The following is a summary of the changes in the Plans' pension obligations:

	March 31,			
(in thousands)		2021		2020
Benefit obligation at beginning of year	\$	3,880	\$	53,993
Service cost		40		71
Interest cost		144		1,136
Actuarial gain		212		5,103
Benefits paid		(265)		(1,697)
Pension plan termination (a)		_		(54,605)
Currency translation impact		280		(121)
Benefit obligation at end of year	\$	4,291	\$	3,880
Accumulated benefit obligation	\$	3,990	\$	3,690

⁽a) Reflects impact of the termination of the Qualified Plan.

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The following is a reconciliation of the Plans' assets:

(in thousands) 2021 202	
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Fair value of plan assets at beginning of year \$ 1,898 \$	55,009
Actual return on plan assets 441	3,093
Benefits paid (159)	(1,591)
Company contributions 69	93
Pension plan termination (a) —	(54,605)
Currency translation impact 243	(101)
Fair value of plan assets at end of year \$ 2,492 \$	1,898

⁽a) Reflects impact of the termination of the Qualified Plan.

We contributed \$0.1 million to the Canadian Plan in the year ended March 31, 2021 and estimate that our contribution in the year ending March 31, 2022 will be \$0.1 million.

The following summarizes the net pension asset for the Plans:

	March 31,			
(in thousands)		2021		2020
Plan assets at fair value	\$	2,492	\$	1,898
Benefit obligation		(4,291)		(3,880)
Unfunded status	\$	(1,799)	\$	(1,982)

The following summarizes amounts recognized in the balance sheets for the Plans:

	March 31,			
(in thousands)	2021		2020	
Current liabilities	\$ (104)	\$	(103)	
Noncurrent liabilities	(1,695)		(1,879)	
Unfunded status	\$ (1,799)	\$	(1,982)	

The following table presents the change in accumulated other comprehensive loss attributable to the components of the net cost and the change in the benefit obligation:

(in thousands)		2021		2020
Accumulated other comprehensive loss at beginning of year	\$	(871)	\$	(3,466)
Amortization of net loss		62		47
Amortization of prior service benefit (cost)		(31)		21
Pension plan termination (a)		_		2,516
Net gain (loss) arising during the year		96		(17)
Currency translation impact		(55)		28
Accumulated other comprehensive loss at end of year	\$	(799)	\$	(871)

⁽a) Reflects impact of the termination of the Qualified Plan, including changes in assumptions resulting from the termination.

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Amounts recorded in accumulated other comprehensive loss consist of:

		March 31,			
(in thousands)	2021		2020		
Net prior service cost	\$	27	\$ 56		
Net loss	3)	26)	(927)		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	\$ (7	99)	\$ (871)		

The Canadian Plan assets, which account for 100% of total assets, are invested in other investments, as described below. The actual asset allocations for the Plans were as follows:

	March 31,				
Asset category	2021	2020			
Equity securities	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
Fixed income securities	— %	— %			
Other	100 %	100 %			
Cash and cash equivalents	— %	— %			
Total	100 %	100 %			

The Canadian Plan has investments of \$2.5 million in a mutual fund that aims to provide a return derived from both income and capital appreciation by investing in a diversified portfolio of Canadian and foreign equity as well as fixed-income securities. This mutual fund is considered to have Level II inputs in the fair value hierarchy.

The following table summarizes the expected cash benefit payments for the Plans for fiscal years ending March 31 (in millions):

2022	\$ 0.2
2023 2024 2025 2026	0.2
2024	0.2
2025	0.2
2026	0.2
Thereafter	1.1

Defined Contribution Plan

Effective October 1, 2015, we began to sponsor a defined contribution plan covering substantially all of our U.S. employees. Employees may contribute to this plan, and these contributions are matched 100% by us up to 6.0% of eligible earnings. We also contribute an additional percentage of eligible earnings to employees regardless of their level of participation in the plan, which is discretionary and subject to adjustment based on profitability. We made discretionary contributions of \$3.9 million and \$4.0 million during the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

Employee Stock Ownership Plan

We sponsor a qualified, non-leveraged employee stock ownership plan ("ESOP") in which domestic employees are eligible to participate following the completion of one year of service. The ESOP provides annual discretionary contributions of up to the maximum amount that is deductible under the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to the ESOP are invested in our common stock. A participant's interest in contributions to the ESOP fully vests after three years of credited service or upon retirement, permanent disability (each, as defined in the plan document) or death.

We recorded total contributions to the ESOP of \$3.6 million, \$3.2 million and \$1.6 million during the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019, respectively, based on performance in the prior year. During the year ended March 31, 2021, \$2.6 million was recorded to expense based on performance in the year ended March 31, 2021 and is expected to be contributed to the ESOP during the year ending March 31, 2022.

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The ESOP held 628,289 and 718,646 shares of CSWI common stock as of March 31, 2021 and 2020, respectively.

14. INCOME TAXES

Income from continuing operations before income taxes was comprised of the following (in thousands):

	Year Ended March 31,					
	 2021		2020		2019	
U.S. Federal	\$ 48,392	\$	53,946	\$	53,375	
Foreign	2,726		3,655		8,066	
Income before income taxes	\$ 51,118	\$	57,601	\$	61,441	

Income tax expense consists of the following (in thousands):

For the year ended:	Current	Deferred	Total
March 31, 2021			
U.S. Federal \$	6,773	\$ (1,150)	\$ 5,623
State and local	3,561	(500)	3,061
Foreign	1,641	505	2,146
Provision for income taxes \$	11,975	\$ (1,145)	\$ 10,830
March 31, 2020		·	
U.S. Federal \$	8,466	\$ 673	\$ 9,139
State and local	1,999	(100)	1,899
Foreign	1,968	(222)	1,746
Provision for income taxes \$	12,433	\$ 351	\$ 12,784
March 31, 2019			
U.S. Federal \$	10,298	\$ 644	\$ 10,942
State and local	2,729	(280)	2,449
Foreign	1,881	117	1998
Provision for income taxes \$	14,908	\$ 481	\$ 15,389

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Income tax expense differed from the amounts computed by applying the U.S. federal statutory income tax rate of 21.0% to income from continuing operations before income taxes as a result of the following (in thousands):

	Year Ended March 31,				
	2021		2020		2019
Computed tax expense at statutory rate	\$ 10,735	\$	12,096	\$	12,903
Increase (reduction) in income taxes resulting from:					
State and local income taxes, net of federal benefits	2,419		1,943		2,222
Amended return items (pension and foreign withholding)	_		975		_
IRS audit adjustments	_		502		_
GILTI and Section 250 Deduction	440		124		749
Foreign rate differential	85		84		302
Uncertain tax positions	(4,717)		(1,615)		244
Other permanent differences	1,438		(546)		(276)
Foreign tax credits	(554)		(479)		(1,123)
Repatriation tax, net of tax credit	822		_		_
Other, net	162		(300)		368
Provision for income taxes continuing operations	\$ 10,830	\$	12,784	\$	15,389

The effective tax rates for the years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019 were 21.2%, 22.2% and 25.0%, respectively. As compared with the statutory rate for the year ended March 31, 2021, the provision for income taxes was primarily impacted by the release of uncertain tax positions, which decreased the provision by \$4.7 million and the effective rate by 9.2%, offset by the state tax expense (net of federal benefits), which increased the provision by \$2.4 million and the effective rate by 4.7% and additional non-deductible expenses, which increased the provision by \$1.4 million and the effective rate by 2.8%.

As compared with the statutory rate for the year ended March 31, 2020, the provision for income taxes was primarily impacted by the state tax expense, which increased the provision by \$1.9 million and the effective rate by 3.4%, and the release of uncertain tax positions, which decreased the provision by \$1.6 million and the effective rate by 2.8%. Other items impacting the effective tax rate for the prior years include adjustments for the closing of the IRS audit for tax year ended March 31, 2017, foreign withholding tax paid during the tax year ended March 31, 2020 for prior year periods, and the reversal of a pension adjustment related to a former wholly-owned subsidiary for the tax period ended September 30, 2015, in which the statute of limitations expired.

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The tax effects of temporary differences that give rise to significant portions of the deferred tax assets and deferred tax liabilities at March 31 are presented below (in thousands):

	March 31,			
	2021		2020	
Deferred tax assets:				
Operating lease liabilities	\$	14,680	\$	4,380
Accrued compensation		3,878		3,997
Impairment		386		386
Pension and other employee benefits		313		362
Inventory reserves		1,330		197
Net operating loss carryforwards		145		145
Accrued expenses		244		141
Foreign tax credit carry-forward		130		40
State R&D credit carry-forward		120		_
Transaction Costs		630		_
Other, net		1,455		934
Deferred tax assets		23,311		10,582
Valuation allowance		(145)		(145)
Deferred tax assets, net of valuation allowance		23,166		10,437
Deferred tax liabilities:				
Goodwill and intangible assets		(65,070)		(5,740)
Property, plant and equipment		(7,816)		(4,444)
Operating lease - ROU assets		(13,631)		(3,943)
Repatriation reserve		(942)		_
Other, net		(297)		(158)
Deferred tax liabilities		(87,756)		(14,285)
Net deferred tax liabilities	\$	(64,590)	\$	(3,848)

As the assets and liabilities of our discontinued Coatings business discussed in Note 3 reside in a disregarded entity for tax purposes, the tax attributes associated with the operations of our Coatings business ultimately flow through to our corporate parent, which files a consolidated federal return. Therefore, corresponding deferred tax assets or liabilities expected to be substantially realized by our corporate parent have been reflected above as assets of our continuing operations and have not been allocated to the balances of assets or liabilities of our discontinued operations disclosed in Note 3. The statement of cash flows reflects the impact of the deferred taxes related to the disregarded entity in a line captioned "Realized (unrealized) deferred taxes."

As of both March 31, 2021 and 2020, we had no tax effected net operating loss carryforwards, net of valuation allowances. Net operating loss carryforwards will expire in periods beyond the next 5 years.

Certain earnings of foreign subsidiaries continue to be permanently invested outside of the United States. The earnings related to these foreign subsidiaries for which taxes are not being provided are \$17 million. The calculation of the taxes on these undistributed earnings are impracticable because it is unknown how these earnings would be distributed.

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A reconciliation of the beginning and ending amount of unrecognized tax benefits is as follows (in thousands):

		March 31,			
	2021			2020	
Balance at beginning of year	\$	498	\$	1,910	
Increases related to prior year tax positions		13,895		_	
Decreases related to prior year tax positions		(4,215)		(1,304)	
Increases related to current year tax positions		34		64	
Settlement		_		(172)	
Balance at end of year	\$	10,212	\$	498	

We recorded total tax contingency reserves of \$17.3 million, including unrecognized tax benefit of \$13.6 million, accrued interest and penalty of \$1.4 million and \$2.3 million, respectively, through purchase accounting as a result of the TRUaire acquisition discussed in Note 2. During the three months ended March 31, 2021, a tax benefit of \$5.3 million, including release of accrued interest (\$0.6 million) and penalty (\$0.6 million), was recognized as a result of receiving the audit closing letter from Internal Revenue Service related to calendar 2017, a pre-acquisition tax year. For the year ended March 31, 2021, the interest and penalties related to the uncertain tax position resulted in a net decrease of \$0.9 million in income tax expense. We accrued interest and penalties on uncertain tax positions of \$1.0 million and \$1.8 million, respectively, as of the year ended March 31, 2021. We accrued an immaterial interest and penalties during the year ended March 31, 2020. We recognize accrued interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits within our income tax provision.

We are currently under examination by the IRS for a short period return ending September 30, 2015 for a CSWI subsidiary company. Our federal income tax returns for the years ended March 31, 2020, 2019 and 2018 remain subject to examination. Our income tax returns for TRUaire's pre-acquisiton periods including calendar years 2017, 2018 and 2019 remain subject to examinations. Our income tax returns in certain state income tax jurisdictions remain subject to examination for various periods for the period ended September 30, 2015 and subsequent years.

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

We had no related party transactions in the three years ended March 31, 2021, 2020 and 2019.

16. CONTINGENCIES

From time to time, we are involved in various claims and legal actions which arise in the ordinary course of business. There are not any matters pending that we currently believe are reasonably possible of having a material impact to our business, consolidated financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

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17. OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (LOSS)

The following table provides an analysis of the changes in accumulated other comprehensive income (loss) (in thousands).

	Marc	ch 31,	
	2021		2020
Currency translation adjustments:			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ (9,185)	\$	(6,869)
Foreign currency translation adjustments	4,791		(2,316)
Balance at end of period	\$ (4,394)	\$	(9,185)
Interest rate swaps:			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ (1,390)	\$	(394)
Unrealized losses (gain), net of taxes of \$(96) and \$284, respectively (a)	362		(1,069)
Reclassification of losses included in interest expense, net of taxes of \$(60) and \$(19), respectively	225		73
Other comprehensive loss	 587		(996)
Balance at end of period	\$ (803)	\$	(1,390)
Defined benefit plans:			
Balance at beginning of period	\$ (871)	\$	(3,466)
Amortization of net prior service cost (benefit), net of taxes of \$8 and \$(6), respectively (b)	(31)		21
Amortization of net loss, net of taxes of \$(16) and \$(12), respectively (b)	62		47
Net loss (gain) arising during the year, net of taxes of \$(26) and \$5, respectively	96		(17)
Pension plan termination, net of taxes of \$0 and \$(669), respectively	_		2,516
Currency translation impact	(55)		28
Other comprehensive loss	72		2,595
Balance at end of period	\$ (799)	\$	(871)

- (a) Unrealized gains are reclassified to earnings as underlying cash interest payments are made. We expect to recognize a loss of less than \$0.2 million, net of deferred taxes, over the next twelve months related to a designated cash flow hedge based on its fair value as of March 31, 2021.
- (b) Amortization of prior service costs and actuarial losses out of accumulated other comprehensive loss are included in the computation of net periodic pension expense. See Note 13 for additional information.

18. REVENUE RECOGNITION

We conduct our operations in two reportable segments: Industrial Products and Specialty Chemicals. With the adoption of ASC Topic 606, we have concluded that the disaggregation of revenues that would be most useful in understanding the nature, timing and extent of revenue recognition is the breakout of build-to-order and book-and-ship, as defined below:

Build-to-order products are architecturally-specified building products generally sold into the construction industry. Revenue generated from sales of products under build-to-order transactions are currently reflected in the results of our Industrial Products segment. Occasionally, our built-to-order business lines enter into arrangements for the delivery of a customer-specified product and the provision of installation services. These orders are generally negotiated as a package and are commonly subject to retainage by the customer, which means the final 10% of the transaction price, when applicable, is not collectible until the overall construction project into which our products are incorporated is complete. The lead times for transfer to the customer can be up to 12 weeks. Revenue for goods is recognized at a point in time, but installation services are recognized over time as those services are performed. Installation services represented approximately 3% of total consolidated revenue for the year ended March 31, 2021.

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Book-and-ship products are sold across all of our end markets. Revenue generated from sales of products under book-and-ship transactions have historically been presented in both Industrial Products and Specialty Chemicals. These sales are typically priced on a product-by-product basis using price lists provided to our customers. The lead times for transfer to the customer is usually one week or less as these items are generally built to stock. Revenue for products sold under these arrangements is recognized at a point in time.

Disaggregation of revenues reconciled to our reportable segments is as follows (in thousands):

	Year Ended March 31, 2021							
		Industrial Products		Specialty Chemicals		Total		
Build-to-order	\$	87,057	\$		\$	87,057		
Book-and-ship		202,359		129,789		332,148		
Net revenues	\$	289,416	\$	129,789	\$	419,205		

	Year Ended March 31, 2020								
	Industrial Products		Specialty Chemicals		Total				
Build-to-order	\$ 82,357	\$	_	\$	82,357				
Book-and-ship	152,538		150,976		303,514				
Net revenues	\$ 234,895	\$	150,976	\$	385,871				

	Year Ended March 31, 2019								
	Industrial Products		Specialty Chemicals		Total				
Build-to-order	69,564	\$		\$	69,564				
Book-and-ship	136,367		144,224		280,591				
Net revenues	205,931	\$	144,224	\$	350,155				

Contract liabilities, which are included in accrued and other current liabilities in our consolidated balance sheets were as follows (in thousands):

Balance at April 1, 2020	\$ 2,892
Revenue recognized	(2,612)
New contracts and revenue added to existing contracts	1,183
Balance at March 31, 2021	\$ 1,463

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19. SEGMENTS

As described in Note 1, we conduct our operations through two business segments:

- · Industrial Products; and
- · Specialty Chemicals.

The following is a summary of the financial information of our reporting segments reconciled to the amounts reported in the consolidated financial statements (in thousands). Historical segment information has been retrospectively adjusted to reflect the decision to divest the Coatings business.

Year Ended March 31, 2021

(in thousands)	Industrial Products	Specialty Chemicals	Subtotal - Reportable Segments	Eli	minations and Other	Total
Revenues, net	\$ 289,416	\$ 129,789	\$ 419,205	\$	_	\$ 419,205
Operating income	55,641	18,263	73,904		(14,434)	59,470
Depreciation and amortization	15,255	6,918	22,173		864	23,037

Year Ended March 31, 2020

(in thousands)	Industrial Products	Specialty Chemicals	Subtotal - Reportable Segments	Eli	minations and Other	Total
Revenues, net	\$ 234,895	\$ 150,976	\$ 385,871	\$	_	\$ 385,871
Operating income	55,725	24,691	80,416		(14,349)	66,067
Depreciation and amortization	6,573	7,569	14,142		702	14,844

In the fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2020, we recorded an impairment of \$1.0 million on one of our unamortized trademarks in our Specialty Chemicals segment.

Year Ended March 31, 2019

(in thousands)	Industrial Products	Specialty Chemicals	Subtotal - Reportable Segments	Eli	minations and Other	 Total
Revenues, net	\$ 205,931	\$ 144,224	\$ 350,155	\$	_	\$ 350,155
Operating income	48,817	23,930	72,747		(12,307)	60,440
Depreciation and amortization	5,871	7.281	13,152		684	13.836

TOTAL ASSETS

(Amounts in thousands)	 Industrial Products	Specialty Chemicals	Subtotal - Reportable Segments	Eliı	minations and Other	Total
March 31, 2021	\$ 741,726	\$ 119,992	\$ 861,718	\$	13,239	\$ 874,957
March 31, 2020	205,518	138,855	344,373		24,872	369,245
March 31, 2019	187,680	137,587	325,267		27,365	352,632

Geographic information — We attribute revenues to different geographic areas based on the destination of the product or service delivery. Long-lived assets are classified based on the geographic area in which the assets are located and exclude deferred taxes. No individual country, except for the U.S., accounted for more than 10% of consolidated net revenues or total long-lived assets.

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Revenues and long-lived assets by geographic area are as follows (in thousands, except percent data):

	 Year Ended March 31,									
	2021			2020			2019			
U.S.	\$ 367,169	87.6 %	\$	323,000	83.7 %	\$	286,545	81.8 %		
Non-U.S. (a)	52,036	12.4 %		62,871	16.3 %		63,610	18.2 %		
Revenues, net	\$ 419,205	100.0 %	\$	385,871	100.0 %	\$	350,155	100.0 %		

(a) No individual country within this group represents 10% or more of consolidated totals for any period presented.

	 Year Ended March 31,									
	 2021			2020			2019			
U.S.	\$ 617,258	93.5 %	\$	196,679	89.7 %	\$	176,935	87.9 %		
Non-U.S.	43,146	6.5 %		22,521	10.3 %		24,430	12.1 %		
Long-lived assets (a)	\$ 660,404	100.0 %	\$	219,200	100.0 %	\$	201,365	100.0 %		

⁽a) Long-lived assets consist primarily of property, plant and equipment, intangible assets, goodwill and other assets, net of deferred taxes.

Major customer information – We have a large number of customers across our locations and do not believe that we have sales to any individual customer that represented 10% or more of consolidated net revenues for any of the fiscal years presented.

20. QUARTERLY FINANCIAL DATA (UNAUDITED)

The following presents a summary of the unaudited quarterly data for the years ended March 31, 2021 and 2020 (amounts in millions, except per share data):

	Year Ended March 31, 2021										
Quarter		4th	3rd		2nd			1st			
Revenues, net	\$	133.4	\$	89.9	\$	104.9	\$	91.0			
Gross profit		54.0		39.3		48.7		42.8			
Income before income taxes		10.9		3.1		21.5		15.6			
Income from continuing operations		9.6		2.3		16.4		12.0			
Loss from discontinued operations, net		_		_		_		_			
Net income		9.6		2.3		16.4		12.0			
Basic earnings per common share (a):											
Continuing operations	\$	0.62	\$	0.16	\$	1.11	\$	0.81			
Discontinued operations				<u> </u>		<u> </u>		_			
Net income	\$	0.62	\$	0.16	\$	1.11	\$	0.81			
Diluted earnings per common share (a):											
Continuing operations	\$	0.61	\$	0.16	\$	1.10	\$	0.81			
Discontinued operations								<u> </u>			
Net income	\$	0.61	\$	0.16	\$	1.10	\$	0.81			

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	Year Ended March 31, 2020						
Quarter		4th		3rd		2nd	1st
Revenues, net	\$	98.6	\$	83.7	\$	101.3	\$ 102.3
Gross profit		44.8		37.7		47.4	47.2
Income before income taxes		16.0		9.4		12.5	19.7
Income from continuing operations		13.4		7.3		8.8	15.3
Income (loss) from discontinued operations, net		1.2		_		_	(0.1)
Net income		14.6		7.3		8.8	15.2
Basic earnings (loss) per common share (a):							
Continuing operations	\$	0.89	\$	0.48	\$	0.59	\$ 1.02
Discontinued operations		0.08		_		(0.01)	(0.01)
Net income	\$	0.97	\$	0.48	\$	0.58	\$ 1.01
Diluted earnings (loss) per common share (a):							
Continuing operations	\$	0.88	\$	0.48	\$	0.58	\$ 1.01
Discontinued operations		0.08		_		_	(0.01)
Net income	\$	0.96	\$	0.48	\$	0.58	\$ 1.00

⁽a) Net earnings per common share is computed independently for each of the quarters presented. The sum of the quarters may not equal the total year amount due to the impact of changes in weighted average quarterly shares outstanding.

Significant pre-tax adjustments recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2021 included transaction expenses related to the TRUaire acquisition (\$0.8 million) and the formation of a joint venture within our Specialty Chemicals segment (\$1.6 million) and an indemnification expense (\$5.0 million). Significant pre-tax adjustments recorded in the quarter ended March 31, 2020 included a trademark impairment (\$1.0 million).

21. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

On April 1, 2021, Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC ("Whitmore"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of CSWI, completed the formation of the previously announced joint venture with Pennzoil-Quaker State Company dba SOPUS products ("Shell"), a wholly-owned subsidiary of Shell Oil Company that comprises Shell's U.S. lubricants business. The formation was consummated through a transaction in which Whitmore sold to Shell a 50% interest in a wholly-owned subsidiary (containing certain existing operating assets) in exchange for consideration of \$13.7 million from Shell in the form of cash and intangible assets.

On May 18, 2021, the Company entered into a Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement that provides for a five-year \$400.0 million Revolving Credit Facility with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, and other lenders party hereto. Refer to Note 7 for additional information.

ITEM 9: CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE

None

ITEM 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

Our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act")) are designed to ensure that the information, which we are required to disclose in the reports that we file or submit under the Exchange Act, is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the United States Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms, and that such information is accumulated and communicated to our management, including our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

In connection with the preparation of this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2021, our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer, carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures as of March 31, 2021 as required by Rule 13a-15(b) under the Exchange Act. Based on this evaluation, our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective at the reasonable assurance level as of March 31, 2021.

Management's Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

Our management, under the supervision and with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f) under the Exchange Act. Internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("U.S. GAAP"). Internal control over financial reporting includes policies and procedures that: (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of our assets; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP, and that our receipts and expenditures are being made only in accordance with authorizations of our management and directors; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of our assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

The design of any system of control is based upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events, and there can be no assurance that any design will succeed in achieving its stated objectives under all future events, no matter how remote, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may not deteriorate.

Under the supervision and with the participation of our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, our management conducted an assessment of our internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2021, based on the criteria established in Internal Control - Integrated Framework (2013), issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission. In accordance with guidance issued by the SEC, recently acquired businesses may be excluded from management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting in the year of acquisition. Accordingly, management excluded the TRUaire acquisition from management's assessment of the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting from the December 15, 2020 acquisition date, which excluded total assets and total net revenues representing approximately 59% and 8%, respectively, of the Company's related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended March 31, 2021. Based on this assessment, our management has concluded that as of March 31, 2021, our internal control over financial reporting was effective based on those criteria.

The effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2021, has been audited by Grant Thornton LLP, our independent registered public accounting firm, as stated in their report, which is included herein.

Changes in Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

There were no changes in our internal control over financial reporting during the quarter ended March 31, 2021 that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.

REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Board of Directors and Shareholders CSW Industrials, Inc.

Opinion on internal control over financial reporting

We have audited the internal control over financial reporting of CSW Industrials, Inc. (a Delaware corporation) and subsidiaries (the "Company") as of March 31, 2021, based on criteria established in the 2013 Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission ("COSO"). In our opinion, the Company maintained, in all material respects, effective internal control over financial reporting as of March 31, 2021, based on criteria established in the 2013 Internal Control—Integrated Framework issued by COSO.

We also have audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States) ("PCAOB"), the consolidated financial statements of the Company as of and for the year ended March 31, 2021, and our report dated May 20, 2021 expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements.

Basis for opinion

The Company's management is responsible for maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting and for its assessment of the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting, included in the accompanying Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Company's internal control over financial reporting based on our audit. We are a public accounting firm registered with the PCAOB and are required to be independent with respect to the Company in accordance with the U.S. federal securities laws and the applicable rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and the PCAOB.

We conducted our audit in accordance with the standards of the PCAOB. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether effective internal control over financial reporting was maintained in all material respects. Our audit included obtaining an understanding of internal control over financial reporting, assessing the risk that a material weakness exists, testing and evaluating the design and operating effectiveness of internal control based on the assessed risk, and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

Our audit of, and opinion on, the Company's internal control over financial reporting does not include the internal control over financial reporting of T.A Industries, Inc. ("Acquired Entity") whose financial statements reflect total assets and revenues constituting 59% and 8%, respectively, of the related consolidated financial statement amounts as of and for the year ended March 31, 2021. As indicated in Management's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting, the Acquired Entity was acquired on December 15, 2020. Management's assertion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting excluded internal control over financial reporting of the Acquired Entity.

Definition and limitations of internal control over financial reporting

A company's internal control over financial reporting is a process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. A company's internal control over financial reporting includes those policies and procedures that (1) pertain to the maintenance of records that, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the company; (2) provide reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the company are being made only in accordance with authorizations of management and directors of the company; and (3) provide reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition of the company's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Because of its inherent limitations, internal control over financial reporting may not prevent or detect misstatements. Also, projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Dallas, Texas May 20, 2021

ITEM 9B: OTHER INFORMATION

On May 18, 2021, we entered into a Second Amended and Restated Credit Agreement (the "Second Credit Agreement") with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (in such capacity, the "Administrative Agent") and collateral agent, and the lenders, issuing banks and swingline lender party thereto. CSW Industrials Holdings, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company (the "Borrower"), is the borrower under the Second Credit Agreement. The Second Credit Agreement provides for a \$400.0 million revolving credit facility that contains a \$25.0 million sublimit for the issuance of letters of credit and a \$10.0 million sublimit for swingline loans. The Second Credit Agreement is scheduled to mature on May 18, 2026.

Borrowings under the Second Credit Agreement bear interest, at the Borrower's option, at either base rate or LIBOR, plus, in either case, an applicable margin based on the Company's leverage ratio calculated on a quarterly basis. The base rate is described in the Second Credit Agreement as the highest of (i) the Federal funds effective rate plus 0.50%, (ii) the prime rate quoted by The Wall Street Journal, and (iii) the one-month LIBOR rate plus 1.00%.

Borrowings under the Second Credit Agreement may be used for working capital and general corporate purposes, including, without limitation, for financing permitted acquisitions and fees and expenses incurred in connection therewith.

The obligations of the Borrower under the Second Credit Agreement are guaranteed by the Company and all of its direct and indirect domestic subsidiaries. The Second Credit Agreement is secured by a first priority lien on all tangible and intangible assets and stock issued by the Borrower and its domestic subsidiaries, subject to specified exceptions, and 65% of the voting equity interests in its first-tier foreign subsidiaries.

The financial covenants contained in the Second Credit Agreement require the maintenance of a maximum Leverage Ratio of 3.00 to 1.00, subject to a temporary increase to 3.75 to 1.00 for 18 months following the consummation of permitted acquisitions with consideration in excess of certain threshold amounts set forth in the Second Credit Agreement, and the maintenance of a minimum Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio of 1.25 to 1.00, the calculations and terms of which are defined in the Second Credit Agreement. The Second Credit Agreement also contains (i) affirmative and negative covenants which are customary for similar credit agreements, including, without limitation, limitations on the Company, the Borrower and its subsidiaries with respect to indebtedness, liens, investments, distributions, mergers and acquisitions, disposition of assets and transactions with affiliates, and (ii) customary events of default.

PART III

ITEM 10: DIRECTORS, EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

ITEM 11: EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

ITEM 12: SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

ITEM 13: CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS, AND DIRECTOR INDEPENDENCE

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

ITEM 14: PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING FEES AND SERVICES

The information required by this item is incorporated by reference to our Proxy Statement for the 2021 Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be filed with the SEC within 120 days after the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021.

PART IV

ITEM 15: EXHIBITS, FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

The following documents are filed as a part of this Annual Report on Form 10-K:

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None.	
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EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
2.1	Stock Purchase Agreement, dated November 4, 2020, by and among RectorSeal, LLC, T.A. Industries, Inc. d/b/a TRUaire, Yongki Yi as Seller Representative, the Sellers party thereto, and solely for the purposes of Sections 1.8, 6.5(d) and 13.18, CSW Industrials, Inc. (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 2.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on November 5, 2020)
3.1	Third Amended and Restated Certificate of Incorporation of the Company (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 15, 2018)
3.2	Amended and Restated Bylaws of the Company, adopted and effective August 14, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 3.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on August 15, 2018)
4.1	Description of Securities Registered under Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.1 to the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed on May 20, 2020)
10.1	First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of September 15, 2017, by and among CSW Industrials Holdings, Inc., Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC, the other loan parties thereto, the lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on September 19, 2017)
10.2	First Amendment (Incremental Amendment) to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated December 1, 2020, by and among CSW Industrials Holdings, Inc. and Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC, the other Loan Parties party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., individually and in its capacity as the Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and Issuing Bank (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on December 1, 2020)
10.3*	Second Amendment to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated March 10, 2021, by and among CSW Industrials Holdings, Inc. and Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC, the other Loan Parties party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., individually and in its capacity as the Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and Issuing Bank
10.4	Registration Rights Agreement, dated December 15, 2020, by and among CSW Industrials, Inc. and the Sellers party thereto (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on December 16, 2020)
10.5	Form of Director and Officer Indemnification Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 to Amendment No. 3 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10, filed on August 28, 2015)
10.6	Amended and Restated CSW Industrials, Inc. 2015 Equity and Incentive Compensation Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K, filed on December 12, 2016) +
10.7	Employment agreement by and between CSW Industrials, Inc. and Joseph Armes, dated October 1, 2015 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on February 16, 2016) +
10.8	Form of Employee Time Vested Restricted Share Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on February 8, 2018)+
10.9	Form of Employee Time Vested Restricted Stock Unit Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.2 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on February 8, 2018)+
10.10	<u>Form of Employee Performance Share Award Form of Employee Performance Share Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on August 8, 2019) +</u>
10.11	Form of Non-Employee Director Time Vested Restricted Share Award Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on February 8, 2018)+
10.12	Form of Non-Qualified Stock Option Right Award Agreement (executive compensation plan – replacement award agreement) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.8 to the Company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on February 16, 2016) +
10.13	CSW Industrials, Inc. Executive Change in Control and Severance Benefit Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.1 to the Company's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on December 12, 2016) +
21.1*	List of subsidiaries of the Company
23.1*	Consent of Grant Thornton LLP
31.1*	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2*	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a), as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1**	Certification of Principal Executive Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

EXHIBIT	
NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
32.2**	Certification of Principal Financial Officer pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes- Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document
101.SCH	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema
101.CAL	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Calculation Linkbase Document
101.DEF	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Definition Linkbase Document
101.LAB	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Label Linkbase Document
101.PRE	XBRL Taxonomy Extension Presentation Linkbase Document
104	Cover Page Interactive Data File (formatted as Inline XBRL and contained in Exhibit 101)

- * Filed herewith
- ** Furnished herewith
- + Management contracts and compensatory plans required to be filed as exhibits to this Annual Report on Form 10-K.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized:

Date: May 20, 2021		CSW INDUSTRIALS, INC.
	By:	/s/ Joseph B. Armes
		Joseph B. Armes
		Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Date</u>
/s/ Joseph B. Armes	Chief Executive Officer	May 20, 2021
Joseph B. Armes	(Principal Executive Officer)	
/s/ James E. Perry	Chief Financial Officer	May 20, 2021
James E. Perry	(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)	
/s/ Michael R. Gambrell	Director	May 20, 2021
Michael R. Gambrell		
/s/ Terry L. Johnston	Director	May 20, 2021
Terry L. Johnston		
/s/ Linda A. Livingstone	Director	May 20, 2021
Linda A. Livingstone, Ph.D.		
/s/ William F. Quinn	Director	May 20, 2021
William F. Quinn		
/s/ Robert M. Swartz	Director	May 20, 2021
Robert M. Swartz		
/s/ J. Kent Sweezey	Director	May 20, 2021
J. Kent Sweezey		
/s/ Debra L. von Storch	Director	May 20, 2021
Debra L. von Storch		

SECOND AMENDMENT TO FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

THIS SECOND AMENDMENT TO FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT (this "Amendment") is dated as of March 10, 2021 (the "Amendment Effective Date") by and among CSW INDUSTRIALS HOLDINGS, INC., a Delaware corporation, and WHITMORE MANUFACTURING, LLC (formerly known as The Whitmore Manufacturing Company), a Delaware limited liability company, as the Borrowers, the other Loan Parties party hereto, the Lenders party hereto and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., individually and in its capacity as the Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and Issuing Bank.

RECITALS:

WHEREAS, the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the other Loan Parties party thereto and the lenders listed on the signature pages thereto entered into that certain First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement dated as of September 15, 2017 (as amended by the First Amendment (Incremental Amendment) to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2020 and as otherwise amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified prior to the Amendment Effective Date, the "Agreement").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the premises herein contained and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the parties hereto agree as follows effective as of the Amendment Effective Date unless otherwise indicated:

ARTICLE I DEFINITIONS

Section 1.1 <u>Defined Terms; References</u>. Unless otherwise stated in this Amendment (a) terms defined in the Agreement (after giving effect to this Amendment) have the same meanings when used in this Amendment, and (b) references to "Sections," "Schedules" and "Exhibits" are to sections, schedules and exhibits to the Agreement.

ARTICLE II AMENDMENTS

- Section 2.1 <u>Agreement</u>. The Agreement is hereby amended in its entirety to read as set forth in the attached <u>Annex I</u>. The Schedules and Exhibits to the Agreement remain unmodified except to the extent amended, modified or added below.
- Section 2.2 <u>Schedule 1.01</u>. The Agreement is hereby amended to add a new Schedule 1.01 to read in its entirety as set forth in the attached Schedule 1.01.

ARTICLE III CONDITIONS PRECEDENT

- Section 3.1 <u>Conditions Precedent</u>. The effectiveness of this Amendment is subject to the satisfaction of the following conditions precedent:
 - (a) the Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received, in each case on terms and conditions, and subject to documentation in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent from each party hereto either (i) a counterpart of this Amendment signed on behalf of such party or (ii) written evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include fax or other electronic transmission of a signed signature page of this Amendment) that such party has signed a counterpart of this Amendment;
 - (b) no Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing on the Amendment Effective Date;
 - (c) the representations and warranties of the Loan Parties set forth in Section 4.2 of this Amendment and Article III of the Agreement shall be true and correct in all material respects with the same effect as though made on the Amendment Effective Date (it being understood and agreed that any representation or warranty which by its terms is made as of a specified date shall be required to be true and correct in all material respects only as of such specified date, and that any representation or warranty which is subject to any materiality qualifier shall be required to be true and correct in all respects); and
 - (d) the Lenders and the Administrative Agent shall have received all fees and expenses in accordance with the terms of Section 10.03 of the Agreement for which invoices have been presented (including the reasonable fees and expenses of legal counsel), two (2) Business Days before the Amendment Effective Date.

Each Loan Document executed pursuant to this Section 3.1 is an "Amendment Loan Document".

ARTICLE IV MISCELLANEOUS

Section 4.1 Ratifications. Except as expressly modified and superseded by this Amendment, the terms and provisions of the Agreement and the other Loan Documents are ratified and confirmed and shall continue in full force and effect. The Borrowers, each other Loan Party, the Administrative Agent, and the Lenders party hereto agree that the Agreement and the other Loan Documents, after giving effect to this Amendment, shall continue to be legal, valid, binding and enforceable in accordance with their respective terms. Each of the Borrowers and each other Loan Party agrees that the obligations, indebtedness and liabilities of the Borrowers and each other Loan Party arising under the Agreement (as amended by this Amendment) and any promissory notes executed and delivered pursuant thereto are "Secured Obligations" as defined in the Agreement. For all matters arising prior to the Amendment Effective Date (including, without limitation, the accrual and payment of interest and fees and compliance with the financial covenants), the terms of the Agreement (as unmodified by this Amendment) shall control and are hereby ratified and confirmed.

Representations and Warranties. The Borrowers and each other Loan Party hereby represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders as follows: (a) both immediately before and immediately after giving effect to this Amendment, no Default has occurred and is continuing; (b) both immediately before and immediately after giving effect to this Amendment, the representations and warranties set forth in this Section 4.2 and Article III of the Agreement are true and correct in all material respects with the same effect as though made on the Amendment Effective Date (it being understood and agreed that any representation or warranty which by its terms is made as of a specified date shall be required to be true and correct in all material respects only as of such specified date, and that any representation or warranty which is subject to any materiality qualifier shall be required to be true and correct in all respects); (c) the execution, delivery and performance of this Amendment have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate and, if required, Equity Interest holder action and (i) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect and except filings necessary to perfect Liens created under the Loan Documents, (ii) will not materially violate any material applicable law or regulation or the charter, partnership agreement, limited liability company agreement, operating agreement, by-laws or other organizational documents of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or any material order of any Governmental Authority. (iii) will not materially violate or result in a material default under any indenture. material agreement or other material instrument binding upon any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or the assets of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any material payment to be made by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, and (iv) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, except Liens created under the Loan Documents; and (d) this Amendment and each other Amendment Loan Document have been duly executed and delivered by each Loan Party party hereto and thereto and constitute the legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and subject to general principles of equity, regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law; and (e) the articles of incorporation, bylaws, partnership agreement, certificate of limited partnership, membership agreement, articles of organization or other applicable governing document of the Borrowers and each other Loan Party last delivered to the Administrative Agent have not been modified or rescinded and remain in full force and effect.

Section 4.3 <u>Survival of Covenants, Agreements, Representations and Warranties.</u> All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties in this Amendment, the Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be considered to have been relied upon by the other parties hereto and shall survive the execution and delivery of this Amendment and the other Amendment Loan Documents and the making of any Loans and the issuance of any Letters of Credit, regardless of any investigation made by any such other party or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default or incorrect representation or warranty at the time any credit is extended under the Agreement, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as the principal of or any accrued interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount payable under the Agreement is outstanding and unpaid or any Letter of Credit is outstanding and so long as the Commitments have not expired or terminated. The provisions of Sections 2.14, 2.15, 2.16 and 10.03 and Article IX of the Agreement shall survive and remain in full force and effect regardless of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, or by the Agreement, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of the Letters of Credit and the

Commitments or the termination of this Amendment, the Agreement or any other Loan Document or any provision hereof or thereof.

Section 4.4 Reference to the Credit Agreement.

- (a) On and after the Amendment Effective Date, (i) each reference in the Agreement to "this Agreement", "hereunder", or words of like import, and (ii) each reference in the other Loan Documents to the "Credit Agreement", "thereunder", or words of like import, in each case, referring to the Agreement shall mean and be a reference to the Agreement, as amended by this Amendment.
- (b) Except as expressly set forth herein, this Amendment shall not by implication or otherwise, limit, impair, constitute a waiver of, or otherwise affect the rights or remedies of the Administrative Agent or the Lenders under the Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents, and shall not alter, modify, amend, or in any way affect the terms, conditions, obligations, covenants, or agreements contained in the Agreement or the other Loan Documents, all of which are hereby ratified and affirmed in all respects and shall continue in full force and effect.
- Section 4.5 <u>Expenses</u>. As provided in the Agreement, the Loan Parties, jointly and severally, shall pay all fees and expenses in accordance with the terms of Section 10.03 of the Agreement.
- Section 4.6 <u>Severability</u>. Any provision of this Amendment or any other Loan Document held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.
- Section 4.7 <u>Counterparts</u>. This Amendment may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Amendment by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of the actual executed signature page shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Amendment. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to any document to be signed in connection with this Amendment and the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be deemed to include Electronic Signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act.
- Section 4.8 <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. The provisions of this Amendment shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby (including any Affiliate of the Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), except that (a) no Borrower may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or

obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Lender (and any attempted assignment or transfer by a Borrower without such consent shall be null and void) and (b) no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations hereunder except in accordance with Section 10.04 of the Agreement.

Section 4.9 <u>Choice of Law</u>. This Amendment and the other Amendment Loan Documents (other than those containing a contrary express choice of law provision) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws (and not the law of conflicts) of the State of New York, but giving effect to federal laws applicable to national banks.

Section 4.10 Release of Liens. The Lenders and the Issuing Bank hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its sole discretion, to release any Liens granted to the Administrative Agent by the Loan Parties on any Collateral constituting property being sold or disposed of by the Whitmore Borrower to the JV Subsidiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the JV Purchase Agreement, as such agreement is in effect on the Amendment Effective Date. For the avoidance of doubt, by the execution and delivery of this Agreement and in reliance on Section 10.02(c)(ii) of the Agreement (after giving effect to the amendments contemplated hereby), the Administrative Agent hereby releases the Liens granted to the Administrative Agent by the Whitmore Borrower on any Collateral transferred by the Whitmore Borrower to the JV Subsidiary in accordance with the terms of the Agreement (after giving effect to the amendments contemplated hereby) without reliance on any certificate. Any such release shall not in any manner discharge, affect, or impair any Liens (other than those expressly being released) upon all interests retained by the Loan Parties, all of which shall continue to constitute part of the Collateral. At the sole expense of the Loan Parties, the Administrative Agent hereby consents to execute and deliver such releases, terminations or other documents as may be necessary or appropriate to evidence the foregoing releases. Any execution and delivery by the Administrative Agent of such releases, terminations or other documents in connection with any such release shall be without recourse to or warranty by the Administrative Agent.

Section 4.11 <u>ENTIRE AGREEMENT</u>. THIS AMENDMENT AND ALL OTHER INSTRUMENTS, DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS EXECUTED AND DELIVERED IN CONNECTION WITH THIS AMENDMENT REPRESENT THE FINAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND MAY NOT BE CONTRADICTED BY EVIDENCE OF PRIOR, CONTEMPORANEOUS, OR SUBSEQUENT ORAL AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNWRITTEN ORAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

Section 4.12 <u>Loan Document</u>. This Amendment is a Loan Document and is subject to the terms of the Agreement.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Amendment as of the date set forth above.

LOAN PARTIES:

CSW INDUSTRIALS HOLDINGS, INC.

By: /s/ Luke Alverson

Name: Luke Alverson

Title: Vice President and Secretary

CSW INDUSTRIALS, INC.

By: /s/ Luke Alverson

Name: Luke Alverson

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

CAPSTAR HOLDINGS CORPORATION
WHITMORE MANUFACTURING, LLC
WHITMORE'S FIELD SERVICES, LLC
SMOKE GUARD CALIFORNIA, INC.
SMOKE GUARD, INC.
SAC HOLDINGS, LLC
BALCO, INC.
RECTORSEAL, LLC
GRECO RAILINGS HOLDINGS, LLC
GRECO ALUMINUM RAILINGS (U.S.A.) INC.
RS ACQUISITION SUB, LLC

By: <u>/s/ Luke Alverson</u>
Name: Luke Alverson

T.A. INDUSTRIES, INC.

Title: Vice President and Secretary of each entity listed

above

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENT AND LENDER:

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., individually, and as Administrative Agent, Swingline Lender and Issuing Bank

By: /s/ RW Atkinson

Name: RW Atkinson Title: Authorized Officer

TRUIST Bank (formerly known as BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY, and successor by merger to SUNTRUST BANK, as a Lender

By: /s/ Alexander Harrison

Name: Alexander Harrison

Title: Vice President

[Comerica Bank]

By: <u>/s/ Basit Ikram</u> Name: Basit Ikram Title: Vice President

ZIONS BANCORPORATION DBA AMEGY BANK

By: <u>/s/ Kathy Magee</u>
Name: Kathy Magee Title: Senior Vice President

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.

By: /s/ Jason Ford

Name: Jason Ford

Title: Senior Vice President

Frost Bank

By: <u>/s/ Douglas Nelson</u>
Name: Douglas Nelson
Title: Vice President

Annex I Credit Agreement

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FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT

dated as of

September 15, 2017,

As amended by the First Amendment (Incremental Amendment) to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2020 and Second Amendment to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 10, 2021

among

CSW INDUSTRIALS HOLDINGS, INC.

and

WHITMORE MANUFACTURING, LLC (formerly known as The Whitmore Manufacturing Company),

as Borrowers

THE LENDERS PARTY HERETO

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

as Administrative Agent

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.

and

SUNTRUST ROBINSON HUMPHREY, INC.

as Joint Lead Arrangers and Joint Bookrunners

SUNTRUST BANK

as Syndication Agent

COMERICA BANK AMEGY BANK, N.A.

as Co-Documentation Agents

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FIRST AMENDED AND RESTATED CREDIT AGREEMENT dated as of September 15, 2017 (as it may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time, this "Agreement"), among CSW INDUSTRIALS HOLDINGS, INC. and WHITMORE MANUFACTURING, LLC, formerly known as The Whitmore Manufacturing Company, as Borrowers, the other Loan Parties party hereto, the Lenders party hereto, and JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A., as Administrative Agent.

Borrowers, the other loan parties party thereto, the various financial institutions party thereto and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, entered into the Credit Agreement dated as of December 11, 2015 (as amended through the date hereof, the "Existing Agreement").

Borrowers and the other Loan Parties have requested that the Lenders amend and restate the Existing Agreement, and the Lenders are willing to do so on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

The parties hereto agree as follows:

ARTICLE I

Definitions

SECTION 1.01. Defined Terms. As used in this Agreement, the following terms have the meanings specified below:

- "<u>ABR</u>", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, is bearing interest at a rate determined by reference to the Alternate Base Rate.
- "Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate" means, with respect to any Eurocurrency Borrowing for any Interest Period or for any ABR Borrowing, an interest rate per annum equal to (a) the Eurocurrency Rate for such Interest Period multiplied by (b) the Statutory Reserve Rate.
- "<u>Administrative Agent</u>" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. (and its subsidiaries and Affiliates), in its capacity as administrative agent for the Lenders hereunder, and any successor thereto appointed pursuant to <u>Section 9.06</u>.
 - "Administrative Questionnaire" means an Administrative Questionnaire in a form supplied by the Administrative Agent.
- "Affiliate" means, with respect to a specified Person, another Person that directly, or indirectly through one or more intermediaries, Controls or is Controlled by or is under common Control with the specified Person.
- "<u>Aggregate Revolving Exposure</u>" means, at any time, the aggregate Revolving Exposure of all the Lenders at such time (with the Swingline Exposure of each Lender calculated assuming that all of the Lenders have funded their participations in all Swingline Loans outstanding at such time).
- "Agreed Currencies" means (a) Dollars and (b) so long as such currency is freely transferable and convertible into Dollars (i) Canadian Dollars, (ii) Euro, (iii) Pounds Sterling and (iv) each other currency (x) for which a LIBO Screen Rate is available in the Administrative Agent's reasonable determination and (y) that is agreed to by the Administrative Agent and each of the Revolving Lenders.

"Alternate Base Rate" means, for any day, a rate per annum equal to the greatest of (a) the Prime Rate in effect on such day, (b) the NYFRB Rate in effect on such day plus ½ of 1%, and (c) the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate for a one-month Interest Period in Dollars on such day (or if such day is not a Business Day, the immediately preceding Business Day) plus 1%, provided that, for the purpose of this definition, the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate for any day shall be based on the LIBO Screen Rate for Dollars (or if the LIBO Screen Rate is not available for such one month Interest Period, the Interpolated Rate) at approximately 11:00 a.m. London time on such day, subject to the interest rate floors set forth therein. Any change in the Alternate Base Rate due to a change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate for Dollars shall be effective from and including the effective date of such change in the Prime Rate, the NYFRB Rate or the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate, respectively. If the Alternate Base Rate is being used as an alternate rate of interest pursuant to Section 2.13 hereof, then the Alternate Base Rate shall be the greater of clause (a) and (b) above and shall be determined without reference to clause (c) above.

"<u>Anti-Corruption Laws</u>" means all laws, rules, and regulations of any jurisdiction applicable to any Loan Party or any Affiliate of any Loan Party from time to time concerning or relating to bribery or corruption.

"<u>Applicable Percentage</u>" means, at any time with respect to any Lender, a percentage equal to a fraction the numerator of which is such Lender's Revolving Commitment at such time and the denominator of which is the aggregate Revolving Commitments at such time (provided that, if the Revolving Commitments have terminated or expired, the Applicable Percentages shall be determined based upon such Lender's share of the Aggregate Revolving Exposure at such time); provided that, in accordance with <u>Section 2.19</u>, so long as any Lender shall be a Defaulting Lender, such Defaulting Lender's Commitment shall be disregarded in the calculations above.

"<u>Applicable Rate</u>" means, for any day, with respect to any Loan, or with respect to the commitment fees payable hereunder, as the case may be, the applicable rate per annum set forth below under the caption "<u>ABR Spread</u>", "<u>Eurocurrency Spread</u>" or "<u>Commitment Fee Rate</u>", as the case may be, based upon the Total Leverage Ratio as of the most recent determination date, provided that until the delivery to the Administrative Agent, pursuant to <u>Section 5.01</u>, of the Company's consolidated financial information for the Company's first full fiscal quarter ending after the Effective Date, the "Applicable Rate" shall be the applicable rates per annum set forth below in Category 5:

Total Leverage Ratio	Eurocurrency Spread	ABR Spread	Commitment Fee Rate
<u>Category 1</u> > 3.00 to 1.00	2.50%	1.50%	0.40%
Category 2 < 3.00 to 1.00 but > 2.50 to 1.00	2.25%	1.25%	0.35%
<u>Category 3</u> < 2.50 to 1.00 but > 2.00 to 1.00	2.00%	1.00%	0.30%
Category 4 < 2.00 to 1.00 but >1.50 to 1.00	1.75%	0.75%	0.25%
Category 5 < 1.50 to 1.00 but > 1.00 to 1.00	1.50%	0.50%	0.20%
<u>Category 6</u> < 1.00 to 1.00	1.25%	0.25%	0.15%

For purposes of the foregoing, (a) the Applicable Rate shall be determined as of the end of each fiscal quarter of the Company, based upon the Company's annual or quarterly consolidated financial statements delivered pursuant to Section 5.01 and (b) each change in the Applicable Rate resulting from a change in the Total Leverage Ratio shall be effective during the period commencing on and including the date of delivery to the Administrative Agent of such consolidated financial statements indicating such change and ending on the date immediately preceding the effective date of the next such change, provided that at the option of the Administrative Agent or at the request of the Required Lenders, if the Borrowers fail to deliver the annual or quarterly consolidated financial statements required to be delivered by it pursuant to Section 5.01, the Total Leverage Ratio shall be deemed to be in Category 1 during the period from the expiration of the time for delivery thereof until such consolidated financial statements are delivered.

If at any time the Administrative Agent reasonably determines that the financial statements upon which the Applicable Rate was determined were incorrect (whether based on a restatement, fraud or otherwise), the Borrowers shall be required to retroactively pay any additional amount that the Borrowers would have been required to pay if such financial statements had been accurate at the time they were delivered.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Applicable Rate in respect of any Class of additional Revolving Commitments or Extended Revolving Commitments and any Extended Revolving Loans made pursuant to any Extended Revolving Commitments shall be the applicable percentages per annum set forth in the relevant Extension Offer.

[&]quot;Approved Fund" has the meaning assigned to the term in Section 10.04(b).

[&]quot;Assignment and Assumption" means an assignment and assumption entered into by a Lender and an assignee (with the consent of any party whose consent is required by Section 10.04), and accepted by the Administrative Agent, in substantially the form of Exhibit A or any other form approved by the Administrative Agent.

"Availability" means, at any time, an amount equal to (a) the aggregate Revolving Commitments and minus (b) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure (calculated, with respect to any Defaulting Lender, as if such Defaulting Lender had funded its Applicable Percentage of all outstanding Borrowings).

"Availability Period" means the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the Revolving Credit Maturity Date.

"<u>Bail-In Action</u>" means the exercise of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by the applicable EEA Resolution Authority in respect of any liability of an EEA Financial Institution.

"Bail-In Legislation" means, with respect to any EEA Member Country implementing Article 55 of Directive 2014/59/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of the European Union, the implementing law for such EEA Member Country from time to time which is described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

"Banking Services" means each and any of the following bank services provided to any Loan Party by any Lender or any Affiliate of a Lender: (a) credit cards for commercial customers (including, without limitation, "commercial credit cards" and purchasing cards), (b) stored value cards, (c) merchant processing services and (d) treasury management services (including, without limitation, controlled disbursement, automated clearinghouse transactions, return items, any direct debit scheme or arrangement, overdrafts and interstate depository network services).

"<u>Banking Services Obligations</u>" means any and all obligations of the Loan Parties, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created, arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor) in connection with Banking Services.

"Bankruptcy Event" means, with respect to any Person, when such Person becomes the subject of a bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding, or has had a receiver, conservator, trustee, administrator, custodian, assignee for the benefit of creditors or similar Person charged with the reorganization or liquidation of its business appointed for it, or, in the good faith determination of the Administrative Agent, has taken any action in furtherance of, or indicating its consent to, approval of, or acquiescence in, any such proceeding or appointment, provided that a Bankruptcy Event shall not result solely by virtue of any ownership interest, or the acquisition of any ownership interest, in such Person by a Governmental Authority or instrumentality thereof, unless such ownership interest results in or provides such Person with immunity from the jurisdiction of courts within the U.S. or from the enforcement of judgments or writs of attachment on its assets or permits such Person (or such Governmental Authority or instrumentality) to reject, repudiate, disavow or disaffirm any contracts or agreements made by such Person.

"Beneficial Owner" means, with respect to any U.S. federal withholding Tax, the beneficial owner, for U.S. federal income tax purposes, to whom such Tax relates.

"Board" means the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System of the U.S.

"Borrower" or "Borrowers" means, individually or collectively, the CSW Borrower and the Whitmore Borrower.

"Borrower Representative" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 12.01.

"Borrowing" means (a) Revolving Loans of the same Type, made, converted or continued on the same date and, in the case of Eurocurrency Loans, as to which a single Interest Period is in effect and (b) a Swingline Loan.

"Borrowing Request" means a request for a Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.03.

"Burdensome Restrictions" means any consensual encumbrance or restriction of the type described in <u>clause (a)</u> or (<u>b)</u> of <u>Section 6.10</u>.

"Business Day" means any day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or other day on which commercial banks in New York City are authorized or required by law to remain closed; and when used in connection with a Eurocurrency Loan or a Letter of Credit denominated in a LIBOR Quoted Currency, the term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which banks are not open for general business in London; and in addition, with respect to any date for the payment or purchase of, or the fixing of an interest rate in relation to, Canadian Dollars, the term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which banks are not open for general business in the principal financial center of Canada and, if the Borrowing or LC Disbursements which are the subject of a borrowing, drawing, payment, reimbursement or rate selection are denominated in euro, the term "Business Day" shall also exclude any day on which the TARGET2 payment system is not open for the settlement of payments in euro.

"Canadian Dollars", "CAD" and "C\$" means the lawful currency of Canada.

"Capital Expenditures" means, without duplication, any expenditure for any purchase or other acquisition of any asset that would be classified as a fixed or capital asset on a consolidated balance sheet of the Company and its Subsidiaries prepared in accordance with GAAP, excluding (i) reinvestments of proceeds of events of the types described (A) in <u>clause (b)</u> of the definition of "Prepayment Event" and (B) in <u>clause (o)</u> of <u>Section 6.05</u> (including payments in respect of notes received in connection therewith in accordance with <u>Section 6.04(n)</u>) and (ii) capitalized interest.

"<u>Capital Lease Obligations</u>" of any Person means the obligations of such Person to pay rent or other amounts under any lease of (or other arrangement conveying the right to use) real or personal property, or a combination thereof, which obligations are required to be classified and accounted for as capital leases on a balance sheet of such Person under GAAP, and the amount of such obligations shall be the capitalized amount thereof determined in accordance with GAAP.

"Cash Collateralize" means to pledge and deposit with or deliver to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, Issuing Bank or any Swingline Lender (as applicable) and the Lenders, as collateral for Letters of Credit, Obligations in respect of Swingline Loans, or obligations of Lenders to fund participations in respect of either thereof (as the context may require), cash or deposit account balances or, if the Issuing Bank or Swingline Lenders benefitting from such collateral shall agree in their sole discretion, other credit support, in each case pursuant to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to (a) the Administrative Agent and (b) the Issuing Bank or the Swingline Lenders (as applicable). "Cash Collateral" shall have a meaning correlative to the foregoing and shall include the proceeds of such cash collateral and other credit support.

"CDOR Rate" means for any Loans in Canadian Dollars, the CDOR Screen Rate or the applicable Reference Bank Rate.

"CDOR Screen Rate" means, with respect to any Interest Period, the average rate for bankers acceptances as administered by the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada (or any other Person that takes over the administration of that rate) with a tenor equal to such Interest Period, displayed on CDOR page of the Reuters screen (or, in the event such rate does not appear on such Reuters page, on any successor or substitute page on such screen or service that displays such rate, or on the appropriate page of such other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion) as of the Specified Time on the Quotation Day for such Interest Period; provided that, if the CDOR Screen Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for the purposes of this Agreement

"CF Rate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.13(a).

"Change in Control" means the occurrence of any one or more of the following events or occurrences:

- (a) an event or series of events by which: (i) any "person" or "group" (as such terms are used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, but excluding any employee benefit plan of such person or its subsidiaries, and any person or entity acting in its capacity as trustee, agent or other fiduciary or administrator of any such plan) becomes the "beneficial owner" (as defined in Rules 13d-3 and 13d-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, except that a person or group shall be deemed to have "beneficial ownership" of all securities that such person or group has the right to acquire, whether such right is exercisable immediately or only after the passage of time (such right, an "option right")), directly or indirectly, of 25% or more of the equity securities of the Company entitled to vote for members of the board of directors or equivalent governing body of the Company on a fully-diluted basis (and taking into account all such securities that such person or group has the right to acquire pursuant to any option right); or (ii) a majority of the seats (other than vacant seats) on the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of the Company are occupied, at any time, by Persons who were not (A) directors of the Company on the date of this Agreement or (B) nominated or appointed by the board of directors or other equivalent governing body of
- (b) the Company shall cease to own, directly or indirectly, free and clear of all Liens or other encumbrances 100% of the outstanding voting Equity Interests of the CSW Borrower and its other Subsidiaries on a fully diluted basis; provided, however, that no sale of 100% of the outstanding Equity Interests in any Subsidiary (other than CSW Borrower and/or the Whitmore Borrower) shall be considered to be a Change in Control if the sale would be a disposition permitted by Section 6.05.

"Change in Law" means the occurrence after the date of this Agreement (or, with respect to any Lender, such later date on which such Lender becomes a party to this Agreement) of any of the following: (a) the adoption or taking effect of any law, rule, regulation or treaty, (b) any change in any law, rule, regulation or treaty or in the administration, interpretation or application thereof by any Governmental Authority or (c) compliance by any Lender or the Issuing Bank (or, for purposes of Section 2.14(b), by any lending office of such Lender or by such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company, if any) with any request, guideline, requirement or directive (whether or not having the force of law) of any Governmental Authority made or issued after the date of this Agreement; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives thereunder or issued in

connection therewith or in the implementation thereof, and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the U.S. or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed to be a "Change in Law", regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

"Charges" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.17.

"Chase" means JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., a national banking association, in its individual capacity, and its successors.

"<u>Class</u>", when used in reference to (a) any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, are Revolving Loans or Swingline Loans, (b) any Commitment, refers to whether such Commitment is a Revolving Commitment or Extended Revolving Commitments that are designated as an additional Class of Commitments, and (c) any Lender, refers to whether such Lender has a Loan or Commitment of a particular Class.

"Code" means the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time.

"Collateral" means any and all property covered by the Collateral Documents and any and all other property of any Loan Party now existing or hereafter acquired, that may at any time be, become or intended to be, subject to a security interest or Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent, on behalf of itself and the Lenders and other Secured Parties, to secure the Secured Obligations, including without limitation, pledges by the Loan Parties of Equity Interests in the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries to the extent contemplated by Section 5.12(b). Notwithstanding anything herein or in any other Loan Document to the contrary, "Collateral" shall not include any property owned by the JV Entity or any Equity Interests issued by the JV Entity.

"Collateral Access Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.

"Collateral Documents" means, collectively, the Security Agreement, the Collateral Documents Confirmation Agreement and any other agreements, instruments and documents executed in connection with this Agreement that are intended to create, perfect or evidence Liens to secure all or any part of the Secured Obligations, including, without limitation, all other security agreements, intellectual property security agreements, pledge agreements, mortgages, deposit account control agreements or other control agreements, collateral assignments, deeds of trust, pledges or other similar agreements and financing statements whether theretofore, now or hereafter executed by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary and delivered to the Administrative Agent.

"Collateral Documents Confirmation Agreement" means the Collateral Documents Confirmation Agreement, dated as of September 15, 2017, by the Loan Parties for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Commitment" means, with respect to each Lender, the sum of such Lender's Revolving Commitment and, if applicable, Extended Revolving Commitment. The initial amount of each Lender's Commitment is set forth on the Commitment Schedule, or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Commitment, as applicable.

- "Commitment Schedule" means the Schedule attached hereto identified as such.
- "Commodity Exchange Act" means the Commodity Exchange Act (7 U.S.C. § 1 et seq.), as amended from time to time, and any successor statute.
 - "Communications" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.01(d).
 - "Company" means CSW Industrials, Inc., a Delaware corporation, the sole stockholder of the CSW Borrower.
- "Compliance Certificate" means a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit C, with such changes, or in such other form, as agreed to by the Administrative Agent.
 - "Computation Date" has the meaning specified in Section 2.22.
- "Connection Income Taxes" means Other Connection Taxes that are imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated) or that are franchise Taxes or branch profits Taxes.
- "Consolidated Net Income" means, for any period and any Person (a "Subject Person"), such Subject Person's consolidated net income (or loss) determined in accordance with GAAP, but excluding any extraordinary, nonrecurring, nonoperating or noncash gains or losses, including or in addition, the following:
 - (a) the income (or loss) of any Person (other than a subsidiary) in which the Subject Person or a subsidiary has an ownership interest; provided, however, that
 - (i) Consolidated Net Income shall include amounts in respect of the income of such Person when actually received in cash by the Subject Person or such subsidiary in the form of dividends or similar distributions; <u>provided</u>, that, notwithstanding the preceding, with respect to the JV Entity only, Consolidated Net Income shall only include amounts in respect of the earned income of the JV Entity (x) to the extent, and (y) when actually, received in cash by the Subject Person or such subsidiary in the form of dividends or similar distributions, and
 - (ii) Consolidated Net Income shall be reduced by the aggregate amount of all investments, regardless of the form thereof, made by the Subject Person or any of its subsidiaries in such Person for the purpose of funding any deficit or loss of such Person;
 - (b) the income of any subsidiary to the extent the payment of such income in the form of a distribution or repayment of any Indebtedness to the Subject Person or a subsidiary is not permitted, whether on account of any restriction in by-laws, articles of incorporation or similar governing document, any agreement or any law, statute, judgment, decree or governmental order, rule or regulation applicable to such subsidiary;
 - (c) any gains or losses accrued on foreign currency receivables or on foreign currency payables of the Subject Person or a subsidiary organized under the laws of the U.S. which are not realized in a cash transaction;

- (d) the income or loss of any foreign subsidiary or of any foreign Person (other than a subsidiary) in which the Subject Person or subsidiary has an ownership interest to the extent that the equivalent dollar amount of the income contains increases or decreases due to the fluctuation of a foreign currency exchange rate after the Effective Date;
- (e) the income or loss of any Person acquired by the Subject Person or a subsidiary for any period prior to the date of such acquisition; and
- (f) the income from any sale of assets in which the accounting basis of such assets had been the book value of any Person acquired by the Subject Person or a subsidiary prior to the date such Person became a subsidiary or was merged into or consolidated with the Subject Person or a subsidiary.

"Control" means the possession, directly or indirectly, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management or policies of a Person, whether through the ability to exercise voting power, by contract or otherwise. "Controlling" and "Controlled" have meanings correlative thereto.

"Credit Party" means the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, the Swingline Lender or any other Lender.

"CSW Borrower" means CSW Industrials Holdings, Inc., a Delaware corporation.

"<u>Debtor Relief Laws</u>" means the Bankruptcy Code of the United States of America, and all other liquidation, conservatorship, bankruptcy, debtor assignment for the benefit of creditors, moratorium, rearrangement, receivership, insolvency, reorganization, or similar debtor relief Laws of the United States or other applicable jurisdictions from time to time in effect.

"<u>Default</u>" means any event or condition which constitutes an Event of Default or which upon notice, lapse of time or both would, unless cured or waived, become an Event of Default.

"Defaulting Lender" means any Lender that (a) has failed, within two Business Days of the date required to be funded or paid, to (i) fund any portion of its Loans, (ii) fund any portion of its participations in Letters of Credit or Swingline Loans or (iii) pay over to any Credit Party any other amount required to be paid by it hereunder, unless, in the case of clause (i) above, such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent in writing that such failure is the result of such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent to funding (specifically identified and including the particular default, if any) has not been satisfied, (b) has notified any Borrower or any Credit Party in writing, or has made a public statement to the effect, that it does not intend or expect to comply with any of its funding obligations under this Agreement (unless such writing or public statement indicates that such position is based on such Lender's good faith determination that a condition precedent (specifically identified and including the particular default, if any) to funding a Loan under this Agreement cannot be satisfied) or generally under other agreements in which it commits to extend credit, (c) has failed, within three Business Days after request by a Credit Party, acting in good faith, to provide a certification in writing from an authorized officer of such Lender that it will comply with its obligations (and is financially able to meet such obligations) to fund prospective Loans and participations in then outstanding Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans under this Agreement, provided that such Lender shall cease to be a Defaulting Lender pursuant to this clause (c) upon such Credit Party's receipt of such certification in form and substance satisfactory to it and the Administrative Agent, or (d) has become the subject of (i) a Bankruptcy Event or (ii) a Bail-In Action.

"Disqualified Equity Interests" means any Equity Interest which, by its terms (or by the terms of any security or other Equity Interests into which it is convertible or for which it is exchangeable), or upon the happening of any event or condition (a) matures or is mandatorily redeemable (other than solely for Qualified Equity Interests), pursuant to a sinking fund obligation or otherwise (except as a result of a change of control or asset sale so long as any rights of the holders thereof upon the occurrence of a change of control or asset sale event shall be subject to the prior repayment in full of the Loans and all other Obligations under the Loan Documents that are accrued and payable and the termination of the Commitments and all outstanding Letters of Credit), (b) is redeemable at the option of the holder thereof (other than solely for Qualified Equity Interests), in whole or in part, (c) provides for the scheduled payments of dividends in cash, or (d) is or becomes convertible into or exchangeable for Indebtedness or any other Equity Interests that would constitute Disqualified Equity Interests, in each case, prior to the date that is 91 days after the Latest Maturity Date.

"<u>Disregarded Domestic Person</u>" means any Domestic Subsidiary that is treated as a disregarded person for U.S. federal income tax purposes and substantially all of the assets of which consist of the equity interests of one or more Foreign Subsidiaries.

"Domestic Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary that is organized under the laws of any political subdivision of the U.S.

"Document" has the meaning assigned to such term in the Security Agreement.

"Dollar Amount" of any currency at any date means (a) if such currency is Dollars, the amount of such currency, or (b) if such currency is a Foreign Currency, the equivalent in such currency of Dollars, calculated on the basis of the Exchange Rate for such currency on or as of the most recent Computation Date provided for in Section 2.22.

"Dollars", "USD" or "\$" means the lawful money of the U.S.

"<u>EBITDA</u>" means, for any period, the total of the following, calculated without duplication for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis for such period:

- (a) Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (b) any provision for (or less any benefit from) income or franchise Taxes included in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (c) interest expense (including the interest portion of Capital Lease Obligations and amounts charged as expense to Swap Agreement Obligations) deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
 - (d) amortization and depreciation expense deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
 - (e) management fees deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
 - (f) ESOP contributions deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
 - (g) LIFO adjustments deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus

- (h) losses on the disposition of assets deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (i) integration expenses actually incurred in connection with the Strathmore Acquisition and acquisitions permitted by Section 6.04 and deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; provided that (x) integration expenses actually incurred in connection with the Strathmore Acquisition are added-back before December 11, 2017 and (y) integration expenses actually incurred in connection with any acquisition permitted by Section 6.04 are added-back within two years of the date of such acquisition; plus
 - (j) any extraordinary one-time non-cash expenses or losses deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (k) non-cash expenses, charges or write-offs and non-cash impairment charges (including non-cash expenses, charges or write-offs of goodwill and forgiveness of Indebtedness and non-cash losses from investments recorded using the equity method) deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (l) any non-cash compensation expense, including non-cash expense related to any stock options, profit interests or phantom units deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (m) fees and expenses in connection with the Strathmore Acquisition and acquisitions permitted by <u>Section 6.04</u> that were deducted in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
 - (n) the sum of
 - (i) amortization or write-off of debt discount and debt issuance costs, and commissions, discounts and other fees and charges associated with Indebtedness (including the Loans), plus
 - (ii) fees and expenses in connection with the SpinOff (including restructuring transactions in preparation therefor), dispositions of subsidiaries or lines of business, debt and equity issuances, amendments or waivers to debt facilities and early extinguishment of debt (including the Loan Documents) that are (or at the relevant time were) permitted hereunder, whether or not consummated,

minus the sum of

- (1) any gains on the disposition of assets included in determining Consolidated Net Income; plus
- (2) any extraordinary non-cash income or gains included in determining Consolidated Net Income.

When determining EBITDA for the Company and its Subsidiaries, (x) any EBITDA attributable to any Foreign Subsidiary shall be excluded to the extent it exceeds 20% of the aggregate amount of EBITDA for the Company and the Subsidiaries and (y) the aggregate amount included in the

calculation of EBITDA pursuant to <u>clauses (e)</u>, (<u>i</u>), (<u>m</u>) and (<u>n</u>) shall not exceed 10% of the aggregate amount of EBITDA for the Company and the Subsidiaries (calculated before giving effect to <u>clauses (e)</u>, (<u>i</u>), (<u>m</u>) and (<u>n</u>)).

"ECP" means an "eligible contract participant" as defined in Section 1(a)(18) of the Commodity Exchange Act or any regulations promulgated thereunder and the applicable rules issued by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission and/or the SEC.

"EEA Financial Institution" means (a) any institution established in any EEA Member Country which is subject to the supervision of an EEA Resolution Authority, (b) any entity established in an EEA Member Country which is a parent of an institution described in clause (a) of this definition, or (c) any institution established in an EEA Member Country which is a subsidiary of an institution described in clauses (a) or (b) of this definition and is subject to consolidated supervision with its parent.

"EEA Member Country," means any of the member states of the European Union, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway.

"<u>EEA Resolution Authority</u>" means any public administrative authority or any Person entrusted with public administrative authority of any EEA Member Country (including any delegee) having responsibility for the resolution of any EEA Financial Institution.

"Effective Date" means the date on which the conditions specified in <u>Section 4.01</u> are satisfied (or waived in accordance with <u>Section 10.02</u>).

"<u>Electronic Signature</u>" means an electronic sound, symbol, or process attached to, or associated with, a contract or other record and adopted by a Person with the intent to sign, authenticate or accept such contract or record.

"<u>Electronic System</u>" means any electronic system, including e-mail, e-fax, Intralinks®, ClearPar®, Debt Domain, Syndtrak, and any other Internet or extranet-based site, whether such electronic system is owned, operated or hosted by the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank and any of its respective Related Parties or any other Person, providing for access to data protected by passcodes or other security system.

"Environmental Laws" means all applicable laws, rules, regulations, codes, ordinances, orders, decrees, judgments, injunctions, notices or binding agreements issued, promulgated or entered into by any Governmental Authority, relating in any way to the environment, preservation or reclamation of natural resources, the management, Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Material or to health and safety matters (as such relate to exposure to Hazardous Materials).

"Environmental Liability" means any liability, contingent or otherwise (including any liability for damages, costs of environmental remediation, fines, penalties or indemnities), of the Company or any Subsidiary directly or indirectly resulting from or based upon (a) any violation of any Environmental Law, (b) the generation, use, handling, transportation, storage, treatment or disposal of any Hazardous Materials, (c) any exposure to any Hazardous Materials, (d) the Release or threatened Release of any Hazardous Materials into the environment or (e) any contract, agreement or other consensual arrangement pursuant to which liability is assumed or imposed with respect to any of the foregoing; provided, however, that "Environmental Liability" does not include any liability relating to any product warranty or product liability claims.

"<u>Equity Interests</u>" means shares of capital stock, partnership interests, membership interests in a limited liability company, beneficial interests in a trust or other equity ownership interests in a Person, and any warrants, options or other rights entitling the holder thereof to purchase or acquire any of the foregoing.

"Equivalent Amount" of any currency with respect to any amount of Dollars at any date means the equivalent in such currency of such amount of Dollars, calculated on the basis of the Exchange Rate for such other currency at 11:00 a.m., London time, on the date on or as of which such amount is to be determined.

"ERISA" means the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended from time to time.

"ERISA Affiliate" means any trade or business (whether or not incorporated) that, together with a Borrower or a Loan Party, is treated as a single employer under Section 414(b) or (c) of the Code or, solely for purposes of Section 302 of ERISA and Section 412 of the Code, is treated as a single employer under Section 414 of the Code.

"ERISA Event" means (a) any "reportable event", as defined in Section 4043 of ERISA or the regulations issued thereunder, with respect to a Plan (other than an event for which the 30 day notice period is waived); (b) the failure of any Plan or Multiemployer Plan to satisfy the "minimum funding standard" (as defined in Sections 412, 430 and 431 of the Code or Sections 302, 303 or 304 of ERISA), whether or not waived; (c) the filing pursuant to Section 412(c) of the Code or Section 302(c) of ERISA of an application for a waiver of the minimum funding standard with respect to any Plan; (d) the incurrence by the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate of any liability under Title IV of ERISA with respect to the termination of any Plan; (e) the receipt by the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from the PBGC of any notice relating to an intention to terminate any Plan or Plans or to appoint a trustee to administer any Plan; (f) the incurrence by the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate of any liability with respect to the withdrawal or partial withdrawal of the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from any Plan or Multiemployer Plan; (g) the receipt by the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate of any notice concerning a determination that a Multiemployer Plan is, or is expected to be, insolvent, in critical status or in reorganization, within the meaning of Title IV of ERISA; (h) the determination that any Plan is considered an at-risk plan within the meaning of Section 430 of the Code or Section 303 of ERISA or the imposition of any lien on the Company, any Borrower or ERISA Affiliate thereunder; or (i) the determination that any Multiemployer Plan is in endangered or critical status within the meaning of Section 432 of the Code or Section 305 of ERISA.

"<u>ESOP</u>" means the CSW Industrials, Inc. Employee Stock Ownership Plan (as revised and restated effective October 15, 2015) and the trust established thereunder, as each may be amended from time to time, including any successor thereto that, in each case, is intended to qualify as an "employee stock ownership plan" under Section 4975(e)(7) of the Code.

"<u>EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule</u>" means the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule published by the Loan Market Association (or any successor Person) as in effect from time to time.

"<u>Euro</u>", "<u>euro</u>" or "<u>€</u>" means the single currency of the Participating Member States.

"<u>Eurocurrency</u>", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether such Loan, or the Loans comprising such Borrowing, bear interest at a rate determined by reference to the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate.

"Eurocurrency Rate" means, with respect to (a) any Eurocurrency Borrowing in any LIBOR Quoted Currency and for any applicable Interest Period or for any ABR Borrowing, the LIBO Screen Rate as of the Specified Time on the Quotation Day for such LIBOR Quoted Currency and such Interest Period and (b) any Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in Canadian Dollars and for any applicable Interest Period, the CDOR Screen Rate as of the Specified Time and on the Quotation Day for Canadian Dollars and such Interest Period; provided that, if the applicable Screen Rate shall not be available at such time for such Interest Period (an "Impacted Interest Period") with respect to the applicable Agreed Currency, then the Eurocurrency Rate shall be the Interpolated Rate, subject to Section 2.13 in the event that the Administrative Agent shall conclude that it shall not be possible to determine such Interpolated Rate (which conclusion shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error). Notwithstanding the above, to the extent that "Eurocurrency Rate" or "Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate" is used in connection with an ABR Borrowing, such rate shall be determined as modified by the definition of Alternate Base Rate.

"Events of Default" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 8.01.

"Exchange Rate" means, on any day, with respect to any Foreign Currency, the rate at which such Foreign Currency may be exchanged into Dollars, as set forth at approximately 11:00 a.m., Local Time, on such date on the relevant Reuters World Currency Page for such Foreign Currency. In the event that such rate does not appear on any Reuters World Currency Page, the Exchange Rate with respect to such Foreign Currency shall be determined by reference to such other publicly available service for displaying exchange rates as may be reasonably selected by the Administrative Agent or, in the event no such service is selected, such Exchange Rate shall instead be calculated on the basis of the arithmetical average of the spot exchange rates of the Administrative Agent for such Foreign Currency on the London market at 11:00 a.m., Local Time, on such date for the purchase of Dollars with such Foreign Currency, for delivery two Business Days later; provided, that if at the time of any such determination, for any reason, no such spot rate is being quoted, the Administrative Agent may use any reasonable method it deems appropriate to determine such rate, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error

"Excluded Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Guarantor, any Swap Obligation if, and to the extent that, all or a portion of the Guarantee of such Guarantor of, or the grant by such Guarantor of a security interest to secure, such Swap Obligation (or any Guarantee thereof) is or becomes illegal under the Commodity Exchange Act or any rule, regulation or order of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (or the application or official interpretation of any thereof) by virtue of such Guarantor's failure for any reason to constitute an ECP at the time the Guarantee of such Guarantor or the grant of such security interest becomes or would become effective with respect to such Swap Obligation. If a Swap Obligation arises under a master agreement governing more than one swap, such exclusion shall apply only to the portion of such Swap Obligation that is attributable to swaps for which such Guarantee or security interest is or becomes illegal.

"Excluded Taxes" means any of the following Taxes imposed on or with respect to a Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to a Recipient: (a) Taxes imposed on or measured by net income (however denominated), franchise Taxes, and branch profits Taxes, in each case, (i) imposed as a result of such Recipient being organized under the laws of, or having its principal office or, in the case of any Lender, its applicable lending office located in, the jurisdiction imposing such Tax (or any political subdivision thereof) or (ii) that are Other Connection Taxes, (b) in the case of a Lender, U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed on amounts payable to or for the account of such Lender with respect to an applicable interest in a Loan, Letter of Credit or Commitment pursuant to a law in effect on the date on which (i) such Lender acquires such interest in the Loan, Letter of Credit or Commitment

(other than pursuant to an assignment request by the Borrowers under <u>Section 2.18(b)</u>) or (ii) such Lender changes its lending office, except in each case to the extent that, pursuant to <u>Section 2.16</u>, amounts with respect to such Taxes were payable either to such Lender's assignor immediately before such Lender acquired the applicable interest in a Loan, Letter of Credit or Commitment or to such Lender immediately before it changed its lending office, (c) Taxes attributable to such Recipient's failure to comply with <u>Section 2.16(f)</u> and (d) any U.S. federal withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA.

"Existing Agreement" has the meaning assigned to such term in the introductory paragraphs.

"Existing Predecessor UCCs" shall mean (i) that certain UCC-1 No. 20113759415 filed on September 30, 2011 with the Delaware Secretary of State naming Strathmore Holdings, LLC as debtor and General Electric Capital Corporation as secured party, and (ii) that certain UCC-1 No. 20121149022 filed on March 26, 2012 with the Delaware Secretary of State naming Strathmore Holdings, LLC as debtor and General Electric Capital Corporation as secured party.

"Extended Revolving Commitment" means Revolving Commitments the maturity of which shall have been extended pursuant to Section 2.21.

"Extended Revolving Loans" means any Revolving Loans made pursuant to the Extended Revolving Commitments.

"Extension" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.21(a).

"Extension Amendment" means an amendment to this Agreement (which may, at the option of the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers, be in the form of an amendment and restatement of this Agreement) among the Borrowers and the other Loan Parties, the applicable extending Lenders, the Administrative Agent and, to the extent required by Section 2.21, the Issuing Bank and/or the Swingline Lender implementing an Extension in accordance with Section 2.21.

"Extension Offer" has the meaning set forth in Section 2.21.

"<u>FATCA</u>" means Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code as of the date of this Agreement (or any amended or successor version that is substantively comparable and not materially more onerous to comply with), any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof and any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b)(1) of the Code.

"<u>Federal Funds Effective Rate</u>" means, for any day, the rate calculated by the NYFRB based on such day's federal funds transactions by depositary institutions (as determined in such manner as the NYFRB shall set forth on its public website from time to time) and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as the federal funds effective rate; <u>provided</u> that, if the Federal Funds Effective Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for the purposes of this Agreement.

"Fee Letter" means the fee letter, dated August 17, 2017, by and among the Borrowers and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

"<u>Financial Officer</u>" means the chief financial officer, principal accounting officer, treasurer or controller of the Company, the CSW Borrower or the Whitmore Borrower, as applicable.

"Financial Statements" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 5.01.

"<u>First Amendment Effective Date</u>" means the date on which the conditions specified in Section 3.1 of the First Amendment (Incremental Amendment) to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of December 1, 2020, by and among the Borrowers, the other Loan Parties party thereto, the Lenders party thereto and the Administrative Agent are satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 10.02).

"<u>Fixed Charges</u>" means for any period, the sum of the following for the Company and the Subsidiaries calculated on a consolidated basis without duplication for such period: (a) the aggregate amount of cash interest, including cash payments in the nature of interest under Capital Lease Obligations; and (b) the aggregate amount of regularly scheduled payments of principal of Indebtedness paid or payable.

"<u>Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio</u>" means for any period, the ratio of (a) EBITDA for such period minus, for the Company and the Subsidiaries calculated on a consolidated basis without duplication for such period, the sum of (i) Non-Financed Capital Expenditures, (ii) any provision for (or less any benefit from) income or franchise Taxes payable in cash included in determining Consolidated Net Income, (iii) all cash dividends and other cash distributions made by the Company on account of Equity Interests (including Restricted Payments made pursuant to Sections 6.08(c), 6.08(k) and 6.08(l)) and (iv) Restricted Payments made pursuant to Sections 6.08(i) to (b) Fixed Charges for such period.

"Foreign Currencies" means Agreed Currencies other than Dollars.

"<u>Foreign Currency Exposure</u>" means, at any time, the sum of (a) the aggregate principal Dollar Amount of all Loans denominated in a Foreign Currency outstanding at such time plus (b) the aggregate Dollar Amount of LC Exposure that is denominated in a Foreign Currency. The Foreign Currency Exposure of any Lender at any time shall be its ratable percentage of the aggregate Foreign Currency Exposure at such time.

"<u>Foreign Currency Payment Office</u>" of the Administrative Agent means, for each Foreign Currency, the office, branch, affiliate or correspondent bank of the Administrative Agent for such currency as specified from time to time by it, in the case of the Administrative Agent by notice to the Borrower Representative and each Lender.

"Foreign Currency Sublimit" means a Dollar Amount equal to \$125,000,000. The Foreign Currency Sublimit is a part of, and not in addition to, the Revolving Commitment.

"Foreign Lender" means a Lender that is not a U.S. Person.

"<u>Foreign Subsidiary</u>" means each Subsidiary which is organized under the laws of a jurisdiction other than the U.S. or any state or commonwealth thereof.

"Funded Debt" means, without duplication, the sum of the following as calculated for the Company and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP: (a) all obligations for borrowed money (including, without limitation, all borrowings in connection with any real estate of the Company and the Subsidiaries); (b) all obligations evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments; (c) all obligations upon which interest charges are customarily paid prior to a breach or default of such obligations; (d) all obligations under conditional sale or other title retention agreements relating to property acquired by such Person; (e) all obligations in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business and not past due for more than sixty (60) days after the date on which such trade account was created); (f) all

Indebtedness of others secured by (or for which the holder of such Indebtedness has an existing right, contingent or otherwise, to be secured by) any Lien on property owned or acquired by such Person, whether or not the Indebtedness secured thereby has been assumed (provided that the amount of such Indebtedness included in "Funded Debt", to the extent such Indebtedness was not otherwise assumed, shall not exceed the fair market value of the property of such Person secured by such Lien); (g) all Guarantees; and (h) all Capital Lease Obligations; provided that, in each case "Funded Debt" shall exclude earn-outs permitted to exist under the terms of this Agreement.

"<u>Funding Account</u>" means the deposit account of the Borrower Representative to which the Administrative Agent is authorized by the Borrowers to transfer the proceeds of any Borrowings requested or authorized pursuant to this Agreement.

"GAAP" means generally accepted accounting principles in the U.S.

"Governmental Authority" means the government of the U.S., any other nation or any political subdivision thereof, whether state or local, and any agency, authority, instrumentality, regulatory body, court, central bank or other entity exercising executive, legislative, judicial, taxing, regulatory or administrative powers or functions of or pertaining to government.

"Guarantee" of or by any Person (the "guarantor") means any obligation, contingent or otherwise, of the guarantor guaranteeing or having the economic effect of guaranteeing any Indebtedness or other obligation (including any obligations under an operating lease) of any other Person (the "primary obligor") in any manner, whether directly or indirectly, and including any obligation of the guarantor, direct or indirect, (a) to purchase or pay (or advance or supply funds for the purchase or payment of) such Indebtedness or other obligation or to purchase (or to advance or supply funds for the purchase of) any security for the payment thereof, (b) to purchase or lease property, securities or services for the purpose of assuring the owner of such Indebtedness or other obligation (including any obligations under an operating lease) of the payment thereof, (c) to maintain working capital, equity capital or any other financial statement condition or liquidity of the primary obligor so as to enable the primary obligor to pay such Indebtedness or other obligation or (d) as an account party in respect of any letter of credit or letter of guaranty issued to support such Indebtedness or obligation; provided that the term Guarantee shall not include endorsements for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business. The amount of any Guarantee shall be equal to the amount of the obligation so guaranteed of supported (or, if less, the maximum amount so guaranteed or supported) or if not a fixed or determinable amount, the amount thereof determined in accordance with GAAP. The term "Guarantee" as a verb has a corresponding meaning.

"Guaranteed Obligations" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.01.

"Guarantors" means all Loan Guarantors and all non-Loan Parties who have delivered an Obligation Guaranty, and the term "Guarantor" means each or any one of them individually. As of the Effective Date, the Guarantors are the Company, the Borrowers, Strathmore Holdings, Strathmore Employee Holdings, LLC, Strathmore Longview Property, LLC, Strathmore Properties Holdings, LLC, Strathmore Acworth Property, LLC, Balco, Inc., RectorSeal, LLC, formerly known as The RectorSeal Corporation, Jet-Lube, LLC, formerly known as Jet-Lube, Inc., CapStar Holdings Corporation, Whitmore's Field Services, LLC, Smoke Guard, Inc., Smoke Guard California, Inc., Strathmore Cutten Road Property, LLC, Greco Railings Holdings, LLC and Greco Aluminum Railings (U.S.A.) Inc.

"Hazardous Materials" means: (a) any substance, material, or waste that is included within the definitions of "hazardous substances," "hazardous materials," "hazardous waste," "toxic substances," "toxic materials," "toxic waste," or words of similar import in any Environmental Law; (b) those substances listed as hazardous substances by the United States Department of Transportation (or any successor agency) (49 C.F.R. 172.101 and amendments thereto) or by the Environmental Protection Agency (or any successor agency) (40 C.F.R. Part 302 and amendments thereto); and (c) any substance, material, or waste that is petroleum, petroleum-related, or a petroleum by-product, asbestos or asbestos-containing material, polychlorinated biphenyls, flammable, explosive, radioactive, freon gas, radon, or a pesticide, herbicide, or any other agricultural chemical.

"<u>Headquarters Loan</u>" means the loan and all other obligations evidenced by the Headquarters Loan Agreement and the Headquarters Loan Documents, and all extensions, renewals, replacements, substitutions and refinancings thereof, which have been agreed to in writing by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

"<u>Headquarters Loan Agreement</u>" means that First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of April 27, 2015, among the Whitmore Borrower, as borrower, the lenders party thereto, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as administrative agent, including any additional amendments, modifications, replacements, extensions, renewals and replacements of such credit agreement, which have been agreed to in writing by JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.

"Headquarters Loan Documents" means "Loan Documents" as that term is defined in the Headquarters Loan Agreement.

"Headquarters Real Property" means the Real Property located at 930 Whitmore and 1250 Justin Road, Rockwall, TX.

"Immaterial Subsidiary" means any Subsidiary designated as an Immaterial Subsidiary by the Borrowers to the Administrative Agent, that, together with its subsidiaries (calculated by reference to the most recently delivered set financial statements delivered pursuant to clauses (a) or (b) of Section 5.01), (a) accounts for less than two percent (2.00%) of the book value of all assets (other than goodwill) of the Company and its Subsidiaries; provided, that the aggregate book value of all Immaterial Subsidiaries may not exceed five percent (5.00%) of the EBITDA for the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis; provided, that the aggregate EBITDA of all Immaterial Subsidiaries may not exceed five percent (5.00%) of the aggregate EBITDA of the Company and its Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that any Immaterial Subsidiary shall make any acquisition that would cause it to not meet the requirements set forth in the foregoing clauses (a) and (b) after giving pro forma effect to such acquisition, such Subsidiary shall cease to be an Immaterial Subsidiary as of the date of consummation of such acquisition. The Immaterial Subsidiaries as of the Second Amendment Effective Date are listed on Schedule 1.01.

"Impacted Interest Period" has the meaning assigned to such term in the definition of "Eurocurrency Rate".

"Indebtedness" of any Person means, without duplication, (a) all obligations of such Person for borrowed money, (b) all obligations of such Person evidenced by bonds, debentures, notes or similar instruments, (c) all obligations of such Person upon which interest charges are customarily paid (excluding obligations for which interest charges only arise following a breach or a default), (d) all

obligations of such Person under conditional sale or other title retention agreements relating to property acquired by such Person, (e) all obligations of such Person in respect of the deferred purchase price of property or services (other than trade accounts payable in the ordinary course of business and not past due for more than sixty (60) days after the date on which such trade account was created), (f) all Indebtedness of others secured by (or for which the holder of such Indebtedness has an existing right, contingent or otherwise, to be secured by) any Lien on property owned or acquired by such Person, whether or not the Indebtedness secured thereby has been assumed (provided that the amount of such debt included in "Indebtedness", to the extent such debt was not otherwise assumed, shall not exceed the fair market value of the property of such Person secured by such Lien), (g) all Guarantees by such Person of Indebtedness of others, (h) all Capital Lease Obligations of such Person, (i) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person as an account party in respect of letters of credit and letters of guaranty, (j) all obligations, contingent or otherwise, of such Person in respect of bankers' acceptances, (k) all obligations of such Person in respect of mandatory redemption or mandatory dividend rights on Disqualified Equity Interests but excluding dividends payable solely in Qualified Equity Interests; (1) all obligations of such Person, contingent or otherwise, for the payment of money under any earn-out or similar agreement entered into with the seller of a target of an acquisition or any other similar arrangements providing for the deferred payment of the purchase price for an acquisition permitted hereby or an acquisition consummated prior to the date hereof, (m) obligations under any liquidated earn-out, (n) any other Off-Balance Sheet Liability, and (o) obligations, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created, arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor), under (i) any and all Swap Agreements, and (ii) any and all cancellations, buy backs, reversals, terminations or assignments of any Swap Agreement transaction. The Indebtedness of any Person shall include the Indebtedness of any other entity (including any partnership in which such Person is a general partner) to the extent such Person is liable therefor as a result of such Person's ownership interest in or other relationship with such entity, except to the extent the terms of such Indebtedness provide that such Person is not liable therefor. The amount of the obligations of the Company or any Subsidiary in respect of any Swap Agreement shall, at any time of determination and for all purposes under this Agreement, be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that the Company or such Subsidiary would be required to pay if such Swap Agreement were terminated at such time giving effect to current market conditions notwithstanding any contrary treatment in accordance with GAAP. For the avoidance of doubt, any obligation in respect of or relating to any employee benefit plan (including any Plan or the ESOP) is not considered to be Indebtedness for purposes of this Agreement.

"Indemnified Taxes" means (a) Taxes, other than Excluded Taxes, imposed on or with respect to any payment made by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document and (b) to the extent not otherwise described in the foregoing clause (a), Other Taxes.

"Indemnitee" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.03(b).

"Ineligible Institution" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.04(b).

"Information" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.12.

"Interest Election Request" means a request to convert or continue a Revolving Borrowing in accordance with Section 2.07.

"Interest Payment Date" means (a) with respect to any ABR Loan (other than a Swingline Loan), the last Business Day of each calendar quarter and the Revolving Credit Maturity Date and (b) with respect to any Eurocurrency Loan, the last day of the Interest Period applicable to the Borrowing of

which such Loan is a part and, in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing with an Interest Period of more than three months' duration, each day prior to the last day of such Interest Period that occurs at intervals of three months' duration after the first day of such Interest Period and the Revolving Credit Maturity Date and (c) with respect to any Swingline Loan, the day that such Loan is required to be repaid and the Revolving Credit Maturity Date.

"Interest Period" means with respect to any Eurocurrency Borrowing, the period commencing on the date of such Eurocurrency Borrowing and ending on the numerically corresponding day in the calendar month that is one, two, three, six or, if available to all applicable Lenders, twelve months thereafter, as the Borrower Representative may elect; provided that (i) if any Interest Period would end on a day other than a Business Day, such Interest Period shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day unless such next succeeding Business Day would fall in the next calendar month, in which case such Interest Period shall end on the next preceding Business Day and (ii) any Interest Period that commences on the last Business Day of a calendar month (or on a day for which there is no numerically corresponding day in the last calendar month of such Interest Period. For purposes hereof, the date of a Borrowing initially shall be the date on which such Borrowing is made and thereafter, in the case of a Revolving Borrowing, shall be the effective date of the most recent conversion or continuation of such Borrowing.

"Interpolated Rate" means, at any time, for any Interest Period, the rate per annum (rounded to the same number of decimal places as the relevant Screen Rate) determined by the Administrative Agent (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) to be equal to the rate that results from interpolating on a linear basis between: (a) the applicable Screen Rate for the longest period (for which the applicable Screen Rate is available for the applicable Agreed Currency) that is shorter than the Impacted Interest Period and (b) the applicable Screen Rate for the shortest period (for which the applicable Screen Rate is available for the applicable Agreed Currency) that exceeds the Impacted Interest Period, in each case, as of the Specified Time on the Quotation Day for such Interest Period; provided that, if any Interpolated Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement.

"IRS" means the United States Internal Revenue Service.

"Issuing Bank" means (a) Chase, in its capacity as the issuer of Letters of Credit hereunder, and (b) any other Revolving Lender from time to time designated by the CSW Borrower as an Issuing Bank, with the consent of such Revolving Lender and the Administrative Agent, in which case the term "Issuing Bank" shall mean Chase and each such Revolving Lender, individually or collectively as the context shall require, and their successors in such capacity as provided in Section 2.05(i). The Issuing Bank may, in its discretion, arrange for one or more Letters of Credit to be issued by its Affiliates, in which case the term "Issuing Bank" shall include any such Affiliate with respect to Letters of Credit issued by such Affiliate (it being agreed that such Issuing Bank shall, or shall cause such Affiliate to, comply with the requirements of Section 2.05 with respect to such Letters of Credit). At any time that there is more than one Issuing Bank, all singular references to the Issuing Bank shall mean any Issuing Bank, either Issuing Bank, each Issuing Bank, the Issuing Bank that has issued the applicable Letter of Credit, or both (or all) Issuing Banks, as the context may require.

"<u>Issuing Bank Sublimit</u>" means, as of the Effective Date, (i) \$25,000,000, in the case of Chase and (ii) such amount as shall be designated to the Administrative Agent and the Borrower Representative in writing by an Issuing Bank; provided that any Issuing Bank shall be permitted at any

time to increase or reduce its Issuing Bank Sublimit upon providing five (5) days' prior written notice thereof to the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers.

"Joinder Agreement" means a Joinder Agreement in substantially the form of Exhibit D.

"JV Entity" means SWRS, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as such entity may be renamed Shell & Whitmore Reliability Solutions, LLC after the Second Amendment Effective Date.

"JV Purchase Agreement" means that certain Membership Interest Purchase Agreement, dated as of January 21, 2021, by and among Pennzoil-Quaker State Company, d/b/a SOPUS Products, a Delaware corporation, the Whitmore Borrower and the JV Entity, as such agreement is in effect on the Second Amendment Effective Date (or as amended, amended and restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time).

"<u>Latest Maturity Date</u>" means, at any date of determination, the latest maturity date that is applicable to any Loan or Commitment hereunder at such time, including the latest maturity date of any then existing Revolving Commitment or Extended Revolving Commitment, in each case as extended in accordance with this Agreement from time to time.

"LC Collateral Account" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.05(j).

"LC Disbursement" means any payment made by an Issuing Bank pursuant to a Letter of Credit.

"LC Exposure" means, at any time, the sum of (a) the aggregate undrawn amount of all standby Letters of Credit outstanding at such time plus (b) the aggregate amount of all LC Disbursements relating to standby Letters of Credit that have not yet been reimbursed by or on behalf of the Borrowers at such time. The LC Exposure of any Revolving Lender at any time shall be its Applicable Percentage of the aggregate LC Exposure at such time.

"<u>Lenders</u>" means the Persons listed on the Commitment Schedule and any other Person that shall have become a Lender hereunder pursuant to <u>Section 2.08</u>, an Assignment and Assumption or an amendment to this Agreement, other than any such Person that ceases to be a Lender hereunder pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption or an amendment to this Agreement. Unless the context otherwise requires, the term "Lenders" includes the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank.

"<u>Letters of Credit</u>" means standby letters of credit issued pursuant to this Agreement, and the term "Letter of Credit" means any one of them or each of them singularly, as the context may require. Letters of Credit may be issued in any Agreed Currency, subject to the Foreign Currency Exposure not exceeding the Foreign Currency Sublimit.

"LIBO Screen Rate" means, for any day and time, with respect to any Eurocurrency Borrowing for any Interest Period or for any ABR Borrowing, the London interbank offered rate as administered by ICE Benchmark Administration (or any other Person that takes over the administration of such rate) for such Agreed Currency for a period equal in length to such Interest Period as displayed on such day and time on pages LIBOR01 or LIBOR02 of the Reuters screen that displays such rate (or, in the event such rate does not appear on a Reuters page or screen, on any successor or substitute page on such screen that displays such rate, or on the appropriate page of such other information service that publishes such rate from time to time as selected by the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion); provided

that, if the LIBO Screen Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for the purposes of this Agreement.

"LIBOR Quoted Currency" means Dollars, Euros and Pounds Sterling.

"<u>Lien</u>" means, with respect to any asset, (a) any mortgage, deed of trust, lien, pledge, hypothecation, encumbrance, charge or security interest in, on or of such asset, (b) the interest of a vendor or a lessor under any conditional sale agreement, capital lease or title retention agreement (or any financing lease having substantially the same economic effect as any of the foregoing) relating to such asset and (c) in the case of securities, any purchase option, call or similar right of a third party with respect to such securities.

"Loan Documents" means, collectively, this Agreement, each promissory note issued pursuant to this Agreement, each Letter of Credit application, each Collateral Document, each Collateral Access Agreement, the Loan Guaranty, each Obligation Guaranty, and each other agreement, instrument, document and certificate identified in Section 4.01 executed and delivered to, or in favor of, the Administrative Agent or any Lender and including each other loan agreement, note, guarantee, subordination agreement, financing statement, pledge, power of attorney, consent, assignment, contract, notice, fee letter, letter of credit agreement, and any agreements between the Borrower Representative and the Issuing Bank regarding the Issuing Bank's Issuing Bank Sublimit or the respective rights and obligations between the Borrowers and the Issuing Bank in connection with the issuance of Letters of Credit, instrument and certificate, whether heretofore, now or hereafter executed by or on behalf of any Loan Party, or any employee of any Loan Party, and delivered to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with this Agreement or the transactions contemplated hereby; it being understood that no agreement evidencing Banking Services or any Swap Agreement shall be a Loan Document. Any reference in this Agreement or any other Loan Document to a Loan Document shall include all appendices, exhibits or schedules thereto, and all amendments, restatements, supplements or other modifications thereto, and shall refer to this Agreement or such Loan Document as the same may be in effect at any and all times such reference becomes operative.

"Loan Guarantor" means the Company, the Borrowers and each of the other direct and indirect material Domestic Subsidiaries (other than any Immaterial Subsidiary) of the Company. On the Effective Date, the Subsidiaries of the Company that are Loan Guarantors are the Borrowers, Strathmore Holdings, Strathmore Employee Holdings, LLC, Strathmore Longview Property, LLC, Strathmore Properties Holdings, LLC, Strathmore Acworth Property, LLC, Balco, Inc., RectorSeal, LLC, formerly known as The RectorSeal Corporation, Jet-Lube, LLC, formerly known as Jet-Lube, Inc., CapStar Holdings Corporation, Whitmore's Field Services, LLC, Smoke Guard, Inc., Smoke Guard California, Inc., Strathmore Cutten Road Property, LLC, Greco Railings Holdings, LLC and Greco Aluminum Railings (U.S.A.) Inc.

"Loan Guaranty" means Article XI of this Agreement.

"Loan Parties" means, collectively, the Borrowers and the Loan Guarantors, and any other Person who becomes a party to this Agreement pursuant to a Joinder Agreement and has satisfied or continues to satisfy each of the other requirements set forth in Section 5.12 (disregarding the requirement that such Subsidiary was formed or acquired after the Effective Date), and their respective successors and assigns, and the term "Loan Party" shall mean any one of them or all of them individually, as the context may require. For the avoidance of doubt, the JV Entity is not a Loan Party so long as 100% of the Equity Interests issued by such entity are not owned by a Loan Party.

"Loans" means the loans and advances made by the Lenders pursuant to this Agreement, including Swingline Loans.

"<u>Local Time</u>" means (a) in the case of a Loan, Borrowing or LC Disbursement denominated in Dollars, Dallas, Texas time, and (b) in the case of a Loan or Borrowing denominated in a Foreign Currency, local time (it being understood that such local time shall mean London, England time unless otherwise notified by the Administrative Agent).

"Material Adverse Effect" means a material adverse effect on (a) the business, assets, operations, or financial condition of the Company and its Subsidiaries taken as a whole, (b) the ability of any Loan Party to perform any of its material obligations under the Loan Documents to which it is a party, (c) a material portion of the Collateral, or the Administrative Agent's Liens (on behalf of itself and the other Secured Parties) on a material portion of the Collateral or the priority of such Liens, or (d) the material rights of or remedies available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or the Lenders under any of the Loan Documents.

"Material Indebtedness" means Indebtedness (other than the Obligations under the Loan Documents), or obligations in respect of one or more Swap Agreements, of any one or more of the Loan Parties in an aggregate principal amount exceeding \$7,500,000. For purposes of determining Material Indebtedness, the "principal amount" of the obligations of any Loan Parties in respect of any Swap Agreement at any time shall be the maximum aggregate amount (giving effect to any netting agreements) that such Loan Party would be required to pay if such Swap Agreement were terminated at such time.

"Maximum Rate" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.17.

"Moody's" means Moody's Investors Service, Inc.

"Multiemployer Plan" means a multiemployer plan as defined in Section 4001(a)(3) of ERISA with respect to which the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate may have any liability.

"Net Proceeds" means, with respect to any applicable event, (a) the cash proceeds received in respect of such event including (i) any cash received in respect of any non-cash proceeds (including any cash payments received by way of deferred payment of principal pursuant to a note or installment receivable or purchase price adjustment receivable or otherwise, but excluding any interest payments), but only as and when received, (ii) in the case of a casualty, insurance proceeds and (iii) in the case of a condemnation or similar event, condemnation awards and similar payments, minus (b) the sum of (i) all reasonable fees and out-of-pocket expenses paid to third parties (other than Affiliates) in connection with such event, (ii) in the case of a sale, transfer or other disposition of an asset (including pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction or a casualty or a condemnation or similar proceeding), the amount of all payments required to be made as a result of such event to repay Indebtedness (other than Loans) secured by such asset or otherwise subject to mandatory prepayment as a result of such event and (iii) the amount of all Taxes paid (or reasonably estimated to be payable) and the amount of any reserves established to fund contingent liabilities reasonably estimated to be payable, in each case during the year that such event occurred or the next succeeding year and that are directly attributable to such event (as determined reasonably and in good faith by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower).

"Non-Consenting Lender" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.02(d).

"Non-Loan Party" means, on any date of determination, any direct or indirect Subsidiary of the Company that is not a Loan Party.

"Non-Financed Capital Expenditures" means Capital Expenditures of the Company and its Subsidiaries that were paid for in cash and were not (x) financed with the proceeds of Indebtedness (other than Revolving Loans) or (y) funded with the reinvestment of proceeds of asset sales permitted pursuant to Section 6.05.

"NYFRB" means the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

"NYFRB Rate" means, for any day, the greater of (a) the Federal Funds Effective Rate in effect on such day and (b) the Overnight Bank Funding Rate in effect on such day(or for any day that is not a Business Day, for the immediately preceding Business Day); provided that if none of such rates are published for any day that is a Business Day, the term "NYFRB Rate" means the rate for a federal funds transaction quoted at 11:00 a.m. on such day received to the Administrative Agent from a federal funds broker of recognized standing selected by it; provided, further, that if any of the aforesaid rates shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement.

"Obligated Party" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 11.02.

"<u>Obligation Guaranty</u>" means any Guarantee of all or any portion of the Secured Obligations executed and delivered to the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties by any other guarantor who is not a Loan Party.

"Obligations" means all unpaid principal of and accrued and unpaid interest on the Loans, all LC Exposure, all accrued and unpaid fees and all expenses, reimbursements, indemnities and other obligations and indebtedness (including interest and fees accruing during the pendency of any bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or other similar proceeding, regardless of whether allowed or allowable in such proceeding), obligations and liabilities of any of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries to any of the Lenders, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any indemnified party, individually or collectively, existing on the Effective Date or arising thereafter, direct or indirect, joint or several, absolute or contingent, matured or unmatured, liquidated or unliquidated, secured or unsecured, arising by contract, operation of law or otherwise, arising or incurred under this Agreement or any of the other Loan Documents or in respect of any of the Loans made or reimbursement or other obligations incurred or any of the Letters of Credit or other instruments at any time evidencing any thereof.

"OFAC" means the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the United States Department of the Treasury.

"Off-Balance Sheet Liability" of a Person means (a) any repurchase obligation or liability of such Person with respect to accounts or notes receivable sold by such Person, (b) any indebtedness, liability or obligation under any so-called "synthetic lease" transaction entered into by such Person, or (c) any indebtedness, liability or obligation arising with respect to any other transaction which is the functional equivalent of or takes the place of borrowing but which does not constitute a liability on the balance sheet of such Person (other than operating leases).

"Other Connection Taxes" means, with respect to any Recipient, Taxes imposed as a result of a present or former connection between such Recipient and the jurisdiction imposing such Taxes (other than a connection arising from such Recipient having (i) executed, delivered, become a party to, performed its obligations under, received payments under, received or perfected a security interest under, engaged in any other transaction pursuant to, or enforced, any Loan Document), or (ii) sold or assigned an interest in any Loan, Letter of Credit, Commitment or Loan Document.

"Other Taxes" means all present or future stamp, court or documentary, intangible, recording, filing or similar Taxes that arise from any payment made under, from the execution, delivery, performance, enforcement or registration of, from the receipt or perfection of a security interest under, or otherwise with respect to, any Loan Document, except any such Taxes that are Other Connection Taxes imposed with respect to an assignment (other than an assignment made pursuant to Section 2.18).

"Overnight Bank Funding Rate" means, for any day, the rate comprised of both overnight federal funds and overnight eurocurrency borrowings in Dollars by U.S.-managed banking offices of depository institutions (as such composite rate shall be determined by the NYFRB as set forth on its public website from time to time) and published on the next succeeding Business Day by the NYFRB as an overnight bank funding rate (from and after such date as the NYFRB shall commence to publish such composite rate).

"Overnight Foreign Currency Rate" means, for any amount payable in a Foreign Currency, the rate of interest per annum as determined by the Administrative Agent at which overnight or weekend deposits in the relevant currency (or if such amount due remains unpaid for more than three Business Days, then for such other period of time as the Administrative Agent may elect) for delivery in immediately available and freely transferable funds would be offered by the Administrative Agent to major banks in the interbank market upon request of such major banks for the relevant currency as determined above and in an amount comparable to the unpaid principal amount of the related Borrowing, plus any taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, charges or withholdings imposed upon, or charged to, the Administrative Agent by any relevant correspondent bank in respect of such amount in such relevant currency.

"Paid in Full" or "Payment in Full" means, (a) the indefeasible payment in full in cash of all outstanding Loans and LC Disbursements, together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, (b) the termination, expiration, or cancellation and return of all outstanding Letters of Credit (or alternatively, with respect to each such Letter of Credit, the furnishing to the Administrative Agent of a cash deposit, or at the discretion of the Administrative Agent a back up standby letter of credit satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, in an amount equal to 105% of the LC Exposure as of the date of such payment), (c) the indefeasible payment in full in cash of all reimbursable expenses and other Secured Obligations (other than Unliquidated Obligations for which no claim has been made and other obligations expressly stated to survive such payment and termination of this Agreement), together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, (d) the termination of all Commitments, and (e) the termination of the Swap Agreement Obligations and the Banking Services Obligations or entering into other arrangements satisfactory to the Secured Parties counterparties thereto.

"Parent" means, with respect to any Lender, any Person as to which such Lender is, directly or indirectly, a subsidiary.

"Participant" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.04(c).

"Participant Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.04(c).

"<u>Participating Member State</u>" means any member state of the European Union that adopts or has adopted the euro as its lawful currency in accordance with legislation of the European Union relating to economic and monetary union.

"PBGC" means the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation referred to and defined in ERISA and any successor entity performing similar functions.

"Permitted Encumbrances" means:

- (a) Liens imposed by law for Taxes that are not yet due or are being contested in compliance with <u>Section 5.04</u>;
- (b) carriers', warehousemen's, mechanics', materialmen's, repairmen's and other like Liens imposed by law, arising in the ordinary course of business and securing obligations that are not overdue by more than thirty (30) days or are being contested in compliance with <u>Section 5.04</u>;
- (c) pledges and deposits made in the ordinary course of business in compliance with workers' compensation, unemployment insurance and other social security laws or regulations;
- (d) deposits to secure the performance of tenders, bids, trade contracts, leases, statutory obligations, surety and appeal bonds, government contracts, performance bonds and return-of-money bonds, insurance premiums other obligations of a like nature, in each case in the ordinary course of business;
 - (e) judgment Liens in respect of judgments that do not constitute an Event of Default under <u>clause (k)</u> of <u>Section 8.01</u>;
- (f) easements, encroachments, covenants, zoning restrictions, rights-of-way, restrictions, minor defects or irregularities in title and similar encumbrances on real property imposed by law or arising in the ordinary course of business that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary;
- (g) operating leases or subleases entered into in the ordinary course of business and easements or rights of way granted to others, that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary;
- (h) Liens arising from Uniform Commercial Code financing statements filed with respect to operating leases that are permitted by this Agreement and not capitalized, and that do not secure any monetary obligations;
- (i) any interest or title (and any Lien affecting the interest or title) of (i) a lessor or sublessor under any lease or sublease to be mortgaged as security hereunder permitted by this Agreement, (ii) any underlying lessor of such a lease or sublease (e.g., an underlying ground or operating lease or prime lease), and (iii) a grantor or licensor of any easements and rights of way to be mortgaged as security hereunder or otherwise permitted by this Agreement, in each case that do not secure any monetary obligations and do not materially detract from the value of the affected property or materially interfere with the ordinary conduct of business of the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary;

- (j) Liens in favor of customs and revenue authorities as a matter of law to secure payment of customs duties in connection with the importation of goods incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (k) the interests of licensors and licensees (and Liens on the interests of any licensors or licensee) under license agreements incurred in the ordinary course of business;
- (l) Liens of collecting banks under the UCC on items in the course of collection and statutory Liens and customary rights of set-off of banks and Liens attaching to commodity trading accounts or other brokerage accounts incurred in the ordinary course of business and not for speculative purposes; and
- (m) (i) Liens (A) on advances of cash or Permitted Investments in favor of the seller of any property to be acquired in an acquisition or investment permitted by Section 6.04 to be applied against the purchase price for such acquisition or investment and (B) consisting of an agreement to dispose of any property in a disposition permitted by Section 6.05, in each case, solely to the extent such acquisition, investment or disposition, as the case may be, would have been permitted on the date of the creation of such Lien, and (ii) earnest money deposits of cash or Permitted Investments by a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries in connection with any letter of intent or purchase agreement permitted by the terms of this Agreement;

provided that the term "Permitted Encumbrances" shall not include any Lien securing Indebtedness.

"Permitted Investments" means:

- (a) direct obligations of, or obligations the principal of and interest on which are unconditionally guaranteed by, the U.S. (or by any agency thereof to the extent such obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S.), in each case maturing within one year from the date of acquisition thereof;
- (b) investments in commercial paper maturing within 270 days from the date of acquisition thereof and having, at such date of acquisition, the highest credit rating obtainable from S&P or from Moody's;
- (c) investments in certificates of deposit, bankers' acceptances and demand or time deposits maturing within 180 days from the date of acquisition thereof issued or guaranteed by or placed with, and money market deposit accounts issued or offered by, any domestic office of any commercial bank organized under the laws of the U.S. or any state thereof which has a combined capital and surplus and undivided profits of not less than \$500,000,000;
- (d) fully collateralized repurchase agreements with a term of not more than 30 days for securities described in <u>clause (a)</u> above and entered into with a financial institution satisfying the criteria described in <u>clause (c)</u> above; and
- (e) money market funds that (i) comply with the criteria set forth in Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 2a7 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, (ii) are rated AAA by S&P and Aaa by Moody's and (iii) have portfolio assets of at least \$5,000,000,000.

"Person" means any natural person, corporation, limited liability company, trust, joint venture, association, company, partnership, Governmental Authority or other entity.

"Pounds Sterling", "GBP" or "£" means the lawful money of the United Kingdom.

"Plan" means any employee pension benefit plan (other than a Multiemployer Plan) subject to the provisions of Title IV of ERISA or Section 412 of the Code or Section 302 of ERISA, and in respect of which the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate is (or, if such plan were terminated, would under Section 4069 of ERISA be deemed to be) an "employer" as defined in Section 3(5) of ERISA.

"Platform" means Debt Domain, Intralinks, Syndtrak or a substantially similar electronic transmission system.

"Prepayment Event" means:

- (a) any sale, transfer or other disposition (including pursuant to a sale and leaseback transaction) of any property or asset of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary after the Effective Date, other than dispositions permitted by <u>Section 6.05</u> (except permitted sales under <u>Section 6.05(g)</u>, which such sales will result in a "Prepayment Event"); or
- (b) any casualty or other insured damage to, or any taking under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding of, any property or asset of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary with a fair value immediately prior to such event (as determined in good faith by such Loan Party or Subsidiary) equal to or greater than \$2,500,000; or
- (c) the incurrence by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of any Indebtedness after the Effective Date, other than Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01.

"Prime Rate" means the rate of interest per annum publicly announced from time to time by Chase as its prime rate in effect at its principal offices in New York City. Each change in the Prime Rate shall be effective from and including the date such change is publicly announced as being effective.

"Pro Forma Basis" means, with respect to compliance with any test or covenant hereunder for an applicable period of measurement, compliance with such test or covenant after giving effect to (a) any acquisition of an entity or business that is (or, subject to the satisfaction of such test or covenant would be) permitted under Sections 6.04(1) or (m) (and any related incurrence, repayment or assumption of Indebtedness), (b) the making of any Restricted Payment that is (or, subject to the satisfaction of such test or covenant would be) permitted under Sections 6.08(c) and (d), or (c) any increase in the Revolving Commitments that is (or, subject to the satisfaction of such test or covenant would be) permitted under Section 2.08(f) (including, in each case, (i) pro forma adjustments arising out of events which are directly attributable to such acquisition, the making of such Restricted Payment or incurrence of such Indebtedness, are factually supportable and are reasonably expected to have a continuing impact, in each case as determined on a basis consistent with Article 11 of Regulation S-X of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, as interpreted by the SEC and (ii) such other adjustments as are otherwise acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, and as certified by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower), using, for purposes of determining such compliance, the historical financial statements of all entities or assets so acquired and the consolidated financial statements of Company and its Subsidiaries, which shall be reformulated as if (x) such acquisitions have been consummated at the beginning during the period (and any other Indebtedness or other liabilities incurred or repaid in connection with such acquisitions, had been incurred or repaid at the beginning of such period), (y) such Restricted Payments

had been made at the beginning of such period and (z) such increase in the Revolving Commitments had been consummated at the beginning of such period (and assuming that (1) any Loan incurred bears interest during any portion of the applicable measurement period prior to the relevant transaction at the weighted average of the interest rates applicable to outstanding Loans incurred during such period and (2) any other Indebtedness incurred bears interest during any portion of the applicable measurement period prior to the relevant transaction at the rate which is or would be in effect with respect to such Indebtedness incurred during such period).

"Pro Forma Compliance" means, at any date of determination, that the Company shall be in compliance on a pro forma basis with each of the financial covenants set forth in <u>Article VII</u> as of the last day of the most recent four (4) fiscal quarter period for which financial statements are then required to have been delivered or are otherwise available (computed on the basis of (a) balance sheet amounts as of such date and (b) income statement amounts for such four (4) fiscal quarter period and calculated on a Pro Forma Basis in respect of the event giving rise to such determination)

"<u>Public-Sider</u>" means a Lender whose representatives may trade in securities of the Company or its controlling person or any of its Subsidiaries while in possession of the financial statements provided by, or on behalf of, any Loan Party under the terms of this Agreement.

"Qualified ECP Guarantor" means, in respect of any Swap Obligation, each Loan Party that has total assets exceeding \$10,000,000 at the time the relevant Loan Guaranty or grant of the relevant security interest becomes or would become effective with respect to such Swap Obligation or such other person as constitutes an "eligible contract participant" under the Commodity Exchange Act or any regulations promulgated thereunder and can cause another person to qualify as an "eligible contract participant" at such time by entering into a keepwell under Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

"Qualified Equity Interests" means any Equity Interests that are not Disqualified Equity Interests.

"Quotation Day." means, with respect to any Eurocurrency Borrowing for any Interest Period, (a) if the currency is Pounds Sterling or Canadian Dollars, the first day of such Interest Period, (b) if the currency is Euro, two TARGET2 days before the first day of such Interest Period, (c) for any other currency, two Business Days prior to the commencement of such Interest Period, unless, in each case, market practice differs in the relevant market where the Eurocurrency Rate for such currency is to be determined, in which case the Quotation Day will be determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with market practice in such market (and if quotations would normally be given on more than one day, then the Quotation Day will be the last of those days).

"Real Property" means all real property that was, is now or may hereafter be owned, occupied or otherwise controlled by any Loan Party or Subsidiary pursuant to any contract of sale, lease or other conveyance of any legal interest in any real property to any Loan Party or Subsidiary.

"Recipient" means, as applicable, (a) the Administrative Agent, (b) any Lender and (c) any Issuing Bank, or any combination thereof (as the context requires).

"Reference Banks" means, in relation to Loans denominated in any Agreed Currency such banks that have consented to act as a reference bank as may be appointed by the Administrative Agent in consultation with the Borrower Representative.

"Reference Bank Rate" means the arithmetic mean of the rates (rounded upwards to four decimal places) supplied to the Administrative Agent at its request by the Reference Banks (as the case may be) as of the Specified Time on the Quotation Day for Loans in the applicable currency and the applicable Interest Period:

- (a) in relation to Loans denominated in Euros, as the rate which the relevant Reference Bank assesses to be the rate at which Euro interbank term deposits in euros and for the relevant period are offered for spot value (T+2) by one prime bank to another prime bank within the EMU zone;
- (b) in relation to Loans in Canadian Dollars, as the rate at which the relevant Reference Bank is willing to extend credit by the purchase of bankers' acceptances which have been accepted by banks which are for the time being customarily regarded as being of appropriate credit standing for such purpose with a term to maturity equal to the relevant Interest Period; and
- (c) in relation to Loans in any currency other than Euros or Canadian Dollars, as the rate at which the relevant Reference Bank could borrow funds in the London interbank market in the relevant currency and for the relevant period, were it to do so by asking for and then accepting interbank offers in reasonable market size in that currency and for that period.

"Register" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 10.04.

"Related Parties" means, with respect to any specified Person, such Person's Affiliates and the respective directors, officers, partners, members, trustees, employees, agents, administrators, managers, representatives and advisors of such Person and such Person's Affiliates.

"Release" means any releasing, spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging, injecting, escaping, leaching, migrating, disposing, or dumping of any substance into the environment.

"Report" means reports prepared by the Administrative Agent or another Person showing the results of appraisals, field examinations or audits pertaining to the assets of any Loan Party from information furnished by or on behalf of the Borrowers, after the Administrative Agent has exercised its rights of inspection pursuant to this Agreement, which Reports may be distributed to the Lenders by the Administrative Agent.

"Required Lenders" means, at any time, two or more Lenders (other than Defaulting Lenders) having Revolving Exposure and unused Commitments representing more than 50% of the sum of the Aggregate Revolving Exposure and unused Commitments at such time; provided that, for purposes of declaring the Loans to be due and payable pursuant to Article VIII, and for all purposes after the Loans become due and payable pursuant to Article VIII or the Commitments expire or terminate, then, as to each Lender, clause (a) of the definition of Swingline Exposure shall only be applicable for purposes of determining its Revolving Exposure to the extent such Lender shall have funded its participation in the outstanding Swingline Loans.

"Requirement of Law" means, with respect to any Person, (a) the charter, articles or certificate of organization or incorporation and bylaws or operating, management or partnership agreement, or other organizational or governing documents of such Person and (b) any statute, law (including common law), treaty, rule, regulation, code, ordinance, order, decree, writ, judgment, injunction or determination of any arbitrator or court or other Governmental Authority (including

Environmental Laws), in each case applicable to or binding upon such Person or any of its property or to which such Person or any of its property is subject.

"Restricted Payment" means (i) any dividend or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property) with respect to any Equity Interest in any Loan Party, or any payment (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any such Equity Interests or any option, warrant or other right to acquire any such Equity Interests, (ii) any fee, charge, payment or distribution (including any sinking fund or other similar deposit) of any kind to any Affiliate (other than to a Loan Party) in respect of any advisory, management or consulting agreement or in respect of any monitoring, oversight, transaction or similar fees and (iii) any earnout payment or seller finance payment. For the avoidance of doubt, contributions to and distributions from the ESOP, a Plan or any other employee benefit plan do not constitute Restricted Payments.

"Revolving Commitment" means, with respect to each Lender, the commitment, if any, of such Lender to make Revolving Loans in the Agreed Currencies and to acquire participations in Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans hereunder, expressed as an amount representing the maximum aggregate permitted amount of such Lender's Revolving Exposure hereunder, as such commitment may be reduced or increased from time to time pursuant to (a) Section 2.08 and (b) assignments by or to such Lender pursuant to Section 10.04. The initial amount of each Lender's Revolving Commitment is set forth on the Commitment Schedule, or in the Assignment and Assumption pursuant to which such Lender shall have assumed its Revolving Commitment, as applicable. The aggregate Dollar Amount of the Lenders' Revolving Commitments as of the First Amendment Effective Date is \$300,000,000.

"Revolving Credit Maturity Date" means September 15, 2022 (if the same is a Business Day, or if not then the immediately next succeeding Business Day) or any earlier date on which the Revolving Commitments are reduced to zero or otherwise terminated pursuant to the terms hereof, (and, with respect to any Extended Revolving Commitment, the maturity date applicable to such Extended Revolving Commitment in accordance with the terms hereof if the same is a Business Day, or if not then the immediately next succeeding Business Day, or any earlier date on which such Extended Revolving Commitment is reduced to zero or otherwise terminated pursuant to the terms hereof).

"Revolving Exposure" means, with respect to any Lender, at any time, the sum of the aggregate outstanding principal Dollar Amount of such Lender's (a) Revolving Loans <u>plus</u> (b) LC Exposure <u>plus</u> (c) Swingline Exposure, at such time.

"Revolving Lender" means, as of any date of determination, a Lender with a Revolving Commitment or, if the Revolving Commitments have terminated or expired, a Lender with Revolving Exposure.

"Revolving Loan" means a Loan made pursuant to Section 2.01.

"<u>S&P</u>" means Standard & Poor's Ratings Services, a Standard & Poor's Financial Services LLC business.

"Sale and Leaseback Transaction" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.06.

"Sanctioned Country" means, at any time, a country, region or territory that is itself the subject or target of any Sanctions (on the Effective Date, Crimea, Cuba, Iran, North Korea, Sudan and Syria).

"Sanctioned Person" means, at any time, (a) any Person listed in any Sanctions-related list of designated Persons maintained by OFAC, or the U.S. Department of State or by the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, any European Union member state, Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom or other relevant sanctions authority, (b) any Person operating, organized or resident in a Sanctioned Country or (c) any Person owned or controlled by any such Person or Persons described in the foregoing clauses (a) or (b).

"Sanctions" means all economic or financial sanctions or trade embargoes imposed, administered or enforced from time to time by (a) the U.S. government, including those administered by OFAC or the U.S. Department of State, or (b) the United Nations Security Council, the European Union, any European Union member state or Her Majesty's Treasury of the United Kingdom or other relevant sanctions authority.

"SEC" means the Securities and Exchange Commission of the U.S.

"Secured Obligations" means all Obligations, together with all (i) Banking Services Obligations and (ii) Swap Agreement Obligations owing to one or more Lenders or their respective Affiliates; provided, however, that the definition of "Secured Obligations" shall not create any guarantee by any Guarantor of (or grant of security interest by any Guarantor to support, as applicable) any Excluded Swap Obligations of such Guarantor for purposes of determining any obligations of any Guarantor.

"Secured Parties" means (a) the Administrative Agent, (b) the Lenders, (c) the Issuing Bank, (d) each provider of Banking Services, to the extent the Banking Services Obligations in respect thereof constitute Secured Obligations, (e) each counterparty to any Swap Agreement, to the extent the obligations thereunder constitute Secured Obligations, (f) the beneficiaries of each indemnification obligation undertaken by any Loan Party under any Loan Document, and (g) the successors and assigns of each of the foregoing.

"Security Agreement" means that certain First Amended and Restated Pledge and Security Agreement (including any and all supplements thereto), dated as of November 30, 2016, among the Loan Parties and the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, and any other pledge or security agreement entered into, after the date of this Agreement by any other Loan Party (as required by this Agreement or any other Loan Document) or any other Person for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, as the same may be amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified from time to time.

"Screen Rate" means the LIBO Screen Rate and the CDOR Screen Rate, collectively and individually as the context may require.

"Second Amendment Effective Date" means the date on which the conditions specified in Section 3.1 of the Second Amendment to First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement, dated as of March 10, 2021, by and among the Borrowers, the other Loan Parties party thereto, the Lenders party thereto and the Administrative Agent are satisfied (or waived in accordance with Section 10.02).

"Specified Time" means (a) in relation to a Loan in Canadian Dollars, as of 11:00 A.M. Toronto, Ontario time; and (b) in relation to a Loan in a LIBOR Quoted Currency, as of 11:00 A.M., London time.

"SpinOff" means the transaction in which the Equity Interests of certain of the Guarantors were contributed to the Company, and the Equity Interests of the Company were subsequently distributed by Capital Southwest Corporation to its shareholders.

"Statement" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 2.17(g).

"Strathmore Acquisition" means the acquisition whereby the Whitmore Borrower purchased substantially all of the assets of Strathmore Products, Inc.

"Strathmore Holdings" means Strathmore Holdings, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company.

"Statutory Reserve Rate" means a fraction (expressed as a decimal), the numerator of which is the number one and the denominator of which is the number one <u>minus</u> the aggregate of the maximum reserve, liquid asset, fees or similar requirements (including any marginal, special, emergency or supplemental reserves or other requirements) established by any central bank, monetary authority, the Board, the Financial Conduct Authority, the Prudential Regulation Authority, the European Central Bank or other Governmental Authority for any category of deposits or liabilities customarily used to fund loans in the applicable currency, expressed in the case of each such requirement as a decimal. Such reserve, liquid asset, fees or similar requirements shall include without limitation those imposed pursuant to Regulation D of the Board. Eurocurrency Loans shall be deemed to be subject to such reserve, liquid asset, fee or similar requirements without benefit of or credit for proration, exemptions or offsets that may be available from time to time to any Lender under any applicable law, rule or regulation, including without limitation Regulation D of the Board or any comparable regulation. The Statutory Reserve Rate shall be adjusted automatically on and as of the effective date of any change in any reserve, liquid asset, fee or similar requirement.

"Subordinated Indebtedness" of a Person means any Indebtedness of such Person, the payment and performance of which is fully subordinated to the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations on terms and conditions, and pursuant to documentation, in each case reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent; provided that, in no event shall any such Subordinated Indebtedness (a) be secured or benefit from any Lien on the assets of any Loan Party or Subsidiary, (b) mature, require any principal payment, contain any mandatory redemption provision, prepayment provision or any other term or provision that would provide for the payment or return of any principal of such Subordinated Indebtedness (or a sinking fund or any other similar arrangement) prior to a date that is 91 days after the Latest Maturity Date, (c) be guaranteed by or benefit from any other assurance from any Loan Party or Subsidiary or (d) contain terms and conditions that are, taken as a whole, more restrictive in any manner than those set forth in this Agreement and the other Loan Documents; provided that allin cash pricing on Subordinated Indebtedness may be up to 8.00% per annum higher than the all-in pricing on the Loans.

"subsidiary" means, with respect to any Person (the "parent") at any date, any corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity, the accounts of which would be consolidated with those of the parent in the parent's consolidated financial statements if such financial statements were prepared in accordance with GAAP as of such date, as well as any other corporation, limited liability company, partnership, association or other entity (a) of which securities or other ownership interests representing more than 50% of the equity or more than 50% of the ordinary voting power or, in the case of a partnership, more than 50% of the general partnership interests are, as of such date, owned, controlled or held, or (b) that is, as of such date, otherwise Controlled, by the parent or one or more subsidiaries of the parent.

Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the foregoing, in no event shall the JV Entity constitute a "subsidiary" of any Loan Party for any purpose of this Agreement and/or any of the other Loan Documents upon and following the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the JV Purchase Agreement, for so long as 100% of the Equity Interests issued by such entity are not owned by a Loan Party.

"Subsidiary" means any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company, a Borrower or a Loan Party, as applicable (it being understood that the phrase Subsidiaries of the Company includes both Borrowers). Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the foregoing, in no event shall the JV Entity constitute a "Subsidiary" for any purpose of this Agreement and/or any of the other Loan Documents upon and following the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the JV Purchase Agreement, for so long as 100% of the Equity Interests issued by such entity are not owned by a Loan Party.

"Swap Agreement" means any agreement with respect to any swap, forward, spot, future, credit default or derivative transaction or option or similar agreement involving, or settled by reference to, one or more rates, currencies, commodities, equity or debt instruments or securities, or economic, financial or pricing indices or measures of economic, financial or pricing risk or value or any similar transaction or any combination of these transactions; provided that no phantom stock or similar plan providing for payments only on account of services provided by current or former directors, officers, employees or consultants of the Company, the Borrowers or their Subsidiaries shall be a Swap Agreement.

"Swap Agreement Obligations" means any and all obligations of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries, whether absolute or contingent and howsoever and whensoever created, arising, evidenced or acquired (including all renewals, extensions and modifications thereof and substitutions therefor), under (a) any Swap Agreement permitted hereunder with a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, and (b) any cancellations, buy backs, reversals, terminations or assignments of any Swap Agreement transaction permitted hereunder with a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender.

"Swap Obligation" means, with respect to any Guarantor, any obligation to pay or perform under any agreement, contract or transaction that constitutes a "swap" within the meaning of section 1a(47) of the Commodity Exchange Act or any rules or regulations promulgated thereunder.

"Swingline Exposure" means, at any time, the aggregate principal amount of all Swingline Loans outstanding at such time. The Swingline Exposure of any Revolving Lender at any time shall be the sum of (a) its Applicable Percentage of the total Swingline Exposure at such time other than with respect to any Swingline Loans made by such Revolving Lender in its capacity as the Swingline Lender and (b) the principal amount of all Swingline Loans made by such Revolving Lender in its capacity as the Swingline Lender outstanding at such time (less the amount of participations funded by the other Lenders in such Swingline Loans).

"Swingline Lender" means Chase, in its capacity as lender of Swingline Loans hereunder. Any consent required of the Administrative Agent or the Issuing Bank shall be deemed to be required of the Swingline Lender and any consent given by Chase in its capacity as Administrative Agent or Issuing Bank shall be deemed given by Chase in its capacity as Swingline Lender as well.

"Swingline Loan" means a Loan made pursuant to Section 2.04.

"Target" has the meaning assigned to such term in Section 6.04(1)(iii).

"<u>TARGET2</u>" means the Trans-European Automated Real-time Gross Settlement Express Transfer (<u>TARGET2</u>) payment system (or, if such payment system ceases to be operative, such other payment system reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent to be a suitable replacement) for the settlement of payments in euro.

"<u>Taxes</u>" means any and all present or future taxes, levies, imposts, duties, deductions, withholdings (including backup withholding), value added taxes, or any other goods and services, use or sales taxes, assessments, fees or other charges imposed by any Governmental Authority, including any interest, additions to tax or penalties applicable thereto.

"<u>Total Leverage Ratio</u>" means on any date of determination for the Company and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis, the ratio of (a) Funded Debt on such date of determination to (b) EBITDA calculated for the four fiscal quarter period most recently ended.

"<u>Transactions</u>" means the execution, delivery and performance by the Borrowers and the other Loan Parties of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, the borrowing of Loans and other credit extensions, the use of the proceeds thereof and the issuance of Letters of Credit hereunder.

"<u>Type</u>", when used in reference to any Loan or Borrowing, refers to whether the rate of interest on such Loan, or on the Loans comprising such Borrowing, is determined by reference to the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate, or the Alternate Base Rate.

"<u>UCC</u>" means the Uniform Commercial Code as in effect from time to time in the State of New York or in any other state, the laws of which are required to be applied in connection with the issue of perfection of security interests.

"<u>Unliquidated Obligations</u>" means, at any time, any Secured Obligations (or portion thereof) that are contingent in nature or unliquidated at such time, including any Secured Obligation that is: (i) an obligation to reimburse a bank for drawings not yet made under a letter of credit issued by it; (ii) any other obligation (including any guarantee) that is contingent in nature at such time; or (iii) an obligation to provide collateral to secure any of the foregoing types of obligations.

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

"<u>U.S. Person</u>" means a "United States person" within the meaning of Section 7701(a)(30) of the Code.

"<u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>" means the Uniting and Strengthening America by Providing Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001.

"<u>U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate</u>" has the meaning assigned to such term in <u>Section 2.16(f)(ii)(B)(3)</u>.

"Whitmore Borrower" means Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company and a Subsidiary of the CSW Borrower, formerly known as The Whitmore Manufacturing Company.

"Whitmore Borrower Sublimit" means \$35,000,000. The Whitmore Borrower Sublimit is a part of, and not in addition to, the Revolving Commitment.

"<u>Write-Down and Conversion Powers</u>" means, with respect to any EEA Resolution Authority, the write-down and conversion powers of such EEA Resolution Authority from time to time under the Bail-In Legislation for the applicable EEA Member Country, which write-down and conversion powers are described in the EU Bail-In Legislation Schedule.

SECTION 1.02. <u>Classification of Loans and Borrowings</u>. For purposes of this Agreement, Loans may be classified and referred to by Class (e.g., a "<u>Revolving Loan</u>") or by Type (e.g., a "<u>Eurocurrency Loan</u>") or by Class and Type (e.g., a "<u>Eurocurrency Revolving Loan</u>"). Borrowings also may be classified and referred to by Class (e.g., a "<u>Revolving Borrowing</u>") or by Type (e.g., a "<u>Eurocurrency Borrowing</u>").

<u>Terms Generally</u>. The definitions of terms herein shall apply equally to the singular and plural forms of the terms defined. Whenever the context may require, any pronoun shall include the corresponding masculine, feminine and neuter forms. The words "include", "includes" and "including" shall be deemed to be followed by the phrase "without limitation". The word "law" shall be construed as referring to all statutes, rules, regulations, codes and other laws (including official rulings and interpretations thereunder having the force of law or with which affected Persons customarily comply) and all judgments, orders and decrees of all Governmental Authorities. The word "will" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect as the word "shall". Unless the context requires otherwise (a) any definition of or reference to any agreement, instrument or other document herein shall be construed as referring to such agreement, instrument or other document as from time to time amended, restated, supplemented or otherwise modified (subject to any restrictions on such amendments, restatements, supplements or modifications set forth herein), (b) any definition of or reference to any statute, rule or regulation shall be construed as referring thereto as from time to time amended, supplemented or otherwise modified (including by succession of comparable successor laws), (c) any reference herein to any Person shall be construed to include such Person's successors and assigns (subject to any restrictions on assignments set forth herein) and, in the case of any Governmental Authority, any other Governmental Authority that shall have succeeded to any or all functions thereof, (d) the words "herein", "hereof" and "hereunder", and words of similar import, shall be construed to refer to this Agreement in its entirety and not to any particular provision hereof, (e) all references herein to Articles, Sections, Exhibits and Schedules shall be construed to refer to Articles and Sections of, and Exhibits and Schedules to, this Agreement, (f) any reference in any definition to the phrase "at any time" or "for any period" shall refer to the same time or period for all calculations or determinations within such definition, and (g) the words "asset" and "property" shall be construed to have the same meaning and effect and to refer to any and all tangible and intangible assets and properties, including cash, securities, accounts and contract rights.

SECTION 1.04. Accounting Terms; GAAP. Except as otherwise expressly provided herein, all terms of an accounting or financial nature shall be construed in accordance with GAAP, as in effect from time to time; provided that, if after the date hereof there occurs any change in GAAP or in the application thereof on the operation of any provision hereof and Borrower Representative notifies the Administrative Agent that the Borrowers request an amendment to any provision hereof to eliminate the effect of such change in GAAP or in the application thereof (or if the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower Representative that the Required Lenders request an amendment to any provision hereof for such purpose), regardless of whether any such notice is given before or after such change in GAAP or in the application thereof, then such provision shall be interpreted on the basis of GAAP as in effect and applied immediately before such change shall have become effective until such notice shall have been withdrawn or such provision amended in accordance herewith. Notwithstanding any other provision contained herein, all terms of an accounting or financial nature used herein shall be construed, and all

computations of amounts and ratios referred to herein shall be made (i) without giving effect to any election under Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 8251025 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any Indebtedness or other liabilities of the Company or any Subsidiary at "fair value", as defined therein and (ii) without giving effect to any treatment of Indebtedness in respect of convertible debt instruments under Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standards Codification 47020 (or any other Accounting Standards Codification or Financial Accounting Standard having a similar result or effect) to value any such Indebtedness in a reduced or bifurcated manner as described therein, and such Indebtedness shall at all times be valued at the full stated principal amount thereof.

SECTION 1.05. Pro Forma Adjustments for Acquisitions and Dispositions. To the extent the Company, a Borrower or any Subsidiary makes any acquisition permitted pursuant to Section 6.04 or disposition of assets outside the ordinary course of business during the period of four fiscal quarters of the Company most recently ended, the Total Leverage Ratio and the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio shall be calculated after giving pro forma effect thereto (including pro forma adjustments arising out of events which are directly attributable to the acquisition or the disposition of assets, are factually supportable and are reasonably expected to have a continuing impact, in each case as determined on a basis consistent with Article 11 of Regulation S-X of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, as interpreted by the SEC or that are otherwise acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion, and as certified by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower), as if such acquisition or such disposition (and any related incurrence, repayment or assumption of Indebtedness and Funded Debt) had occurred in the first day of such four-quarter period; provided that the interest rate for any such Funded Debt incurred or assumed in connection with such acquisition shall have an implied rate of interest determined by utilizing the rate which is or would be in effect with respect to such Funded Debt as at the relevant date of determination.

SECTION 1.06. Status of Obligations. In the event that any Borrower or any other Loan Party shall at any time issue or have outstanding any Subordinated Indebtedness, the Company or such Borrower shall take or cause such other Loan Party to take all such actions as shall be necessary to cause the Secured Obligations to constitute senior indebtedness (however denominated) in respect of such Subordinated Indebtedness and to enable the Administrative Agent and the Lenders to have and exercise any payment blockage or other remedies available or potentially available to holders of senior indebtedness under the terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness. Without limiting the foregoing, the Secured Obligations are hereby designated as "senior indebtedness" and as "designated senior indebtedness" and words of similar import under and in respect of any indenture or other agreement or instrument under which such Subordinated Indebtedness is outstanding and are further given all such other designations as shall be required under the terms of any such Subordinated Indebtedness in order that the Lenders may have and exercise any payment blockage or other remedies available or potentially available to holders of senior indebtedness under the terms of such Subordinated Indebtedness.

ARTICLE II

The Credits

SECTION 2.01. <u>Commitments</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, each Lender severally (and not jointly) agrees to make revolving loans in Agreed Currencies to the Borrowers from time to time during the Availability Period in an aggregate principal amount that will not result (after giving effect to any application of proceeds of such Borrowing pursuant to <u>Section 2.09</u>) in (a) such Lender's Revolving Exposure exceeding such Lender's Revolving Commitment, (b) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure exceeding the aggregate Revolving Commitments, or (c) the aggregate Foreign

Currency Exposure of all Lenders exceeding the Foreign Currency Sublimit; <u>provided</u>, that the aggregate outstanding principal amount of all Revolving Loans made to the Whitmore Borrower shall not at any time exceed the Whitmore Borrower Sublimit. Within the foregoing limits and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the Borrowers may borrow, prepay and reborrow Revolving Loans. For the avoidance of doubt, on the First Amendment Effective Date, the Borrowers increased the aggregate Revolving Commitments to \$300,000,000 by obtaining additional Revolving Commitment from one of the Lenders pursuant to the terms and conditions of Section 2.08 (as in effect prior to the First Amendment Effective Date).

SECTION 2.02. Loans and Borrowings.

- (a) Each Loan (other than a Swingline Loan) shall be made as part of a Borrowing consisting of Loans of the same Class and Type made by the Lenders ratably in accordance with their respective Commitments of the applicable Class. The failure of any Lender to make any Loan required to be made by it shall not relieve any other Lender of its obligations hereunder; provided that the Commitments of the Lenders are several and no Lender shall be responsible for any other Lender's failure to make Loans as required. ABR Loans may only be borrowed in Dollars. Any Swingline Loan shall be made in accordance with the procedures set forth in Section 2.04.
- (b) Subject to Section 2.13, each Revolving Borrowing shall be comprised entirely of ABR Loans denominated in Dollars or Eurocurrency Loans denominated in the designated Agreed Currency as the Borrower Representative may request in accordance herewith. Each Swingline Loan shall be an ABR Loan. Each Lender at its option may make any Eurocurrency Loan by causing any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of such Lender to make such Loan (and in the case of an Affiliate, the provisions of Sections 2.13, 2.14, 2.15 and 2.16 shall apply to such Affiliate to the same extent as to such Lender); provided that any exercise of such option shall not affect the obligation of the Borrowers to repay such Loan in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (c) At the commencement of each Interest Period for any Eurocurrency Revolving Borrowing, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount equal to a Dollar Amount that is an integral multiple of \$100,000 and not less than \$500,000. At the time that each ABR Revolving Borrowing is made, such Borrowing shall be in an aggregate amount that is an integral multiple of \$50,000 and not less than \$250,000; provided that an ABR Revolving Borrowing may be in an aggregate amount that is equal to the entire unused balance of the total Revolving Commitments or that is required to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as contemplated by Section 2.05(e). Each Swingline Loan shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$50,000 and not less than \$250,000. Borrowings of more than one Type and Class may be outstanding at the same time; provided that there shall not at any time be more than a total of six Eurocurrency Borrowings outstanding.
- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Agreement, the Borrowers shall not be entitled to request, or to elect to convert or continue, any Borrowing if the Interest Period requested with respect thereto would end after the Revolving Credit Maturity Date.
- SECTION 2.03. <u>Requests for Borrowings</u>. To request a Borrowing, the Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of such request either in writing (delivered by hand or fax) in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative or by telephone or through Electronic Systems, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, (a) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in Dollars, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, three Business Days before the date of the proposed Borrowing, (b) in the case of

a Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in a Foreign Currency, not later than 12:00 noon Local Time, four Business Days before the date of the proposed Borrowing or (c) in the case of an ABR Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, one Business Day before the date of the proposed Borrowing; provided that any such notice of an ABR Revolving Borrowing to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as contemplated by Section 2.05(e) may be given not later than 10:00 a.m., Local Time, on the date of the proposed Borrowing; provided, that in the case of the foregoing clause (b), each such notice may only be in writing (delivered by hand, fax or email). Each such telephonic Borrowing Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery, fax or a communication through Electronic Systems to the Administrative Agent of a written Borrowing Request in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative. Each such telephonic and written Borrowing Request shall specify the following information in compliance with Section 2.01:

- (i) the Class of Borrowing, the aggregate amount of the requested Borrowing, and a breakdown of the separate wires comprising such Borrowing;
 - (ii) the name of the applicable Borrower(s) and the amount of each Borrowing for the applicable Borrower;
 - (iii) the date of such Borrowing, which shall be a Business Day;
 - (iv) whether such Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurocurrency Borrowing;
 - (v) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, the Agreed Currency applicable thereto; and
- (vi) in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, the initial Interest Period to be applicable thereto, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period."

If no election as to the Type of Revolving Borrowing is specified, then the requested Revolving Borrowing shall be an ABR Borrowing in Dollars. If no Agreed Currency is specified with respect to any requested initial Eurocurrency Revolving Borrowing, then the requested Revolving Borrowing shall be a Borrowing in Dollars. If no Interest Period is specified with respect to any requested Eurocurrency Revolving Borrowing, then the applicable Borrower(s) shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration. Promptly following receipt of a Borrowing Request in accordance with this Section, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the details thereof and of the amount of such Lender's Loan to be made as part of the requested Borrowing.

SECTION 2.04. Swingline Loans.

(a) Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, from time to time during the Availability Period, the Swingline Lender agrees to make Swingline Loans denominated in Dollars to the CSW Borrower, in an aggregate principal amount at any time outstanding that will not result in (i) the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Swingline Loans exceeding \$10,000,000, (ii) the Swingline Lender's Revolving Exposure exceeding its Revolving Commitment or (iii) the Aggregate Revolving Exposures exceeding the aggregate Revolving Commitments; provided that the Swingline Lender shall not be required to make a Swingline Loan to refinance an outstanding Swingline Loan. Within the foregoing limits and subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the CSW Borrower may borrow, prepay and reborrow Swingline Loans. To request a Swingline Loan, the CSW Borrower shall notify the

Administrative Agent of such request by telephone (confirmed by fax) or through Electronic Systems, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, not later than 12:00 p.m., Local Time, on the day of a proposed Swingline Loan. Each such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the requested date (which shall be a Business Day) and amount of the requested Swingline Loan. The Administrative Agent will promptly advise the Swingline Lender of any such notice received from the CSW Borrower. The Swingline Lender shall make each Swingline Loan available to the CSW Borrower by means of a credit to the Funding Account(s) (or, in the case of a Swingline Loan made to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as provided in Section 2.05(e), by remittance to the Issuing Bank, and in the case of repayment of another Loan or fees or expenses as provided by Section 2.17(c), by remittance to the Administrative Agent to be distributed to the Lenders) by 2:00 p.m., Local Time, on the requested date of such Swingline Loan.

(b) The Swingline Lender may by written notice given to the Administrative Agent require the Revolving Lenders to acquire participations on such Business Day in all or a portion of the Swingline Loans outstanding. Such notice shall specify the aggregate amount of Swingline Loans in which the Revolving Lenders will participate. Promptly upon receipt of such notice, the Administrative Agent will give notice thereof to each Revolving Lender, specifying in such notice such Lender's Applicable Percentage of such Swingline Loan or Loans. Each Revolving Lender hereby absolutely and unconditionally agrees, promptly upon such notice from the Administrative Agent (and in any event, if such notice is received by 11:00 a.m., Local Time, on a Business Day no later than 4:00 p.m. Local Time on such Business Day and if received after 11:00 a.m., Local Time, "on a Business Day" shall mean no later than 9:00 a.m. Local Time on the immediately succeeding Business Day), to pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the Swingline Lender, such Lender's Applicable Percentage of such Swingline Loan or Loans. Each Revolving Lender acknowledges and agrees that its obligation to acquire participations in Swingline Loans pursuant to this paragraph is absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance whatsoever, including the occurrence and continuance of a Default or reduction or termination of the Revolving Commitments, and that each such payment shall be made without any offset, abatement, withholding or reduction whatsoever. Each Revolving Lender shall comply with its obligation under this paragraph by wire transfer of immediately available funds, in the same manner as provided in Section 2.06 with respect to Loans made by such Lender (and Section 2.06 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the payment obligations of the Lenders), and the Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to the Swingline Lender the amounts so received by it from the Revolving Lenders. The Administrative Agent shall notify the CSW Borrower of any participations in any Swingline Loan acquired pursuant to this paragraph, and thereafter payments in respect of such Swingline Loan shall be made to the Administrative Agent and not to the Swingline Lender. Any amounts received by the Swingline Lender from the CSW Borrower (or other party on behalf of the CSW Borrower) in respect of a Swingline Loan after receipt by the Swingline Lender of the proceeds of a sale of participations therein shall be promptly remitted to the Administrative Agent; any such amounts received by the Administrative Agent shall be promptly remitted by the Administrative Agent to the Revolving Lenders that shall have made their payments pursuant to this paragraph and to the Swingline Lender, as their interests may appear; provided that any such payment so remitted shall be repaid to the Swingline Lender or to the Administrative Agent, as applicable, if and to the extent such payment is required to be refunded to the CSW Borrower for any reason. The purchase of participations in a Swingline Loan pursuant to this paragraph shall not relieve the CSW Borrower of any default in the payment thereof.

SECTION 2.05. Letters of Credit.

(a) <u>General</u>. Subject to the terms and conditions set forth herein, the CSW Borrower may request the issuance of standby Letters of Credit denominated in an Agreed Currency as the applicant

thereof for the support of the obligations of the CSW Borrower or any Subsidiary thereof that is a Loan Party, in a form reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, at any time and from time to time during the Availability Period. In the event of any inconsistency between the terms and conditions of this Agreement and the terms and conditions of any form of letter of credit application or other agreement submitted by the CSW Borrower to, or entered into by the CSW Borrower with, the Issuing Bank relating to any Letter of Credit, the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall control. The CSW Borrower unconditionally and irrevocably agrees that, in connection with any Letter of Credit issued for the support of any Subsidiary's obligations as provided in the first sentence of this paragraph, the CSW Borrower will be fully responsible for the reimbursement of LC Disbursements in accordance with the terms hereof, the payment of interest thereon and the payment of fees due under Section 2.11(b) to the same extent as if it were the sole account party in respect of such Letter of Credit (the CSW Borrower hereby irrevocably waiving any defenses that might otherwise be available to it as a guarantor or surety of the obligations of such Subsidiary that is an account party in respect of any such Letter of Credit). Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, the Issuing Bank shall have no obligation hereunder to issue, and shall not issue, any Letter of Credit (i) the proceeds of which would be made available to any Person (A) to fund any activity or business of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any country or territory that, at the time of such funding, is the subject of any Sanctions or (B) in any manner that would result in a violation of any Sanctions by any party to this Agreement, (ii) if any order, judgment or decree of any Governmental Authority or arbitrator shall by its terms purport to enjoin or restrain the Issuing Bank from issuing such Letter of Credit, or any Requirement of Law relating to the Issuing Bank or any request or directive (whether or not having the force of law) from any Governmental Authority with jurisdiction over the Issuing Bank shall prohibit, or request that the Issuing Bank refrain from, the issuance of letters of credit generally or such Letter of Credit in particular or shall impose upon the Issuing Bank with respect to such Letter of Credit any restriction, reserve or capital requirement (for which the Issuing Bank is not otherwise compensated hereunder) not in effect on the Effective Date, or shall impose upon the Issuing Bank any unreimbursed loss, cost or expense which was not applicable on the Effective Date and which the Issuing Bank in good faith deems material to it, or (iii) if the issuance of such Letter of Credit would violate one or more policies of the Issuing Bank applicable to letters of credit generally; provided that, notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, (x) the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act and all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives thereunder or issued in connection therewith or in the implementation thereof, and (y) all requests, rules, guidelines, requirements or directives promulgated by the Bank for International Settlements, the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (or any successor or similar authority) or the United States or foreign regulatory authorities, in each case pursuant to Basel III, shall in each case be deemed not to be in effect on the Effective Date for purposes of clause (ii) above, regardless of the date enacted, adopted, issued or implemented.

(b) Notice of Issuance, Amendment, Renewal, Extension; Certain Conditions. To request the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or the amendment, renewal or extension of an outstanding Letter of Credit), the CSW Borrower shall hand deliver or fax (or transmit through Electronic Systems, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Issuing Bank) to the Issuing Bank and the Administrative Agent (reasonably in advance of the requested date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension, but in any event no less than three Business Days) a notice requesting the issuance of a Letter of Credit, or identifying the Letter of Credit to be amended, renewed or extended, and specifying the date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (which shall be a Business Day), the date on which such Letter of Credit is to expire (which shall comply with paragraph (c) of this Section), the amount of such Letter of Credit, the Agreed Currency applicable thereto, the name and address of the beneficiary thereof, and such other information as shall be necessary to prepare, amend, renew or extend such Letter of Credit. If requested by the Issuing Bank, the CSW Borrower also shall submit a letter of credit application on the

Issuing Bank's standard form in connection with any request for a Letter of Credit. A Letter of Credit shall be issued, amended, renewed or extended only if (and upon issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of each Letter of Credit the CSW Borrower shall be deemed to represent and warrant that), after giving effect to such issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (i) the aggregate LC Exposure shall not exceed \$25,000,000, (ii) no Lender's Revolving Exposure shall exceed its Revolving Commitment, (iii) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure shall not exceed the aggregate Revolving Commitments and (iv) the Foreign Currency Exposure shall not exceed the Foreign Currency Sublimit. Notwithstanding the foregoing or anything to the contrary contained herein, no Issuing Bank shall be obligated to issue or modify any Letter of Credit if, immediately after giving effect thereto, the outstanding LC Exposure in respect of all Letters of Credit issued by such Person and its Affiliates would exceed such Issuing Bank's Issuing Bank Sublimit. Without limiting the foregoing and without affecting the limitations contained herein, it is understood and agreed that the CSW Borrower may from time to time request that an Issuing Bank issue Letters of Credit in excess of its individual Issuing Bank Sublimit in effect at the time of such request, and each Issuing Bank agrees to consider any such request in good faith. Any Letter of Credit so issued by an Issuing Bank in excess of its individual Issuing Bank Sublimit then in effect shall nonetheless constitute a Letter of Credit for all purposes of this Agreement, and shall not affect the Issuing Bank Sublimit of any other Issuing Bank, subject to the limitations on the aggregate LC Exposure set forth in clause (i) of this Section 2.05(b).

- (c) Expiration Date. Each Letter of Credit shall expire (or be subject to termination or non-renewal by notice from the Issuing Bank to the beneficiary thereof) at or prior to the close of business on the earlier of (i) the date one year after the date of the issuance of such Letter of Credit (or, in the case of any renewal or extension thereof, including, without limitation, any automatic renewal provision, one year after such renewal or extension) and (ii) the date that is five Business Days prior to the Revolving Credit Maturity Date. At the request of the CSW Borrower, the Issuing Bank may, in its sole discretion, renew any Letter of Credit with a one-year term for additional one-year periods not to extend past the date specified in the foregoing clause (ii).
- (d) Participations. By the issuance of a Letter of Credit (or an amendment to a Letter of Credit increasing the amount thereof) and without any further action on the part of the Issuing Bank or the Revolving Lenders, the Issuing Bank hereby grants to each Revolving Lender, and each Revolving Lender hereby acquires from the Issuing Bank, a participation in such Letter of Credit equal to such Lender's Applicable Percentage of the aggregate amount available to be drawn under such Letter of Credit. In consideration and in furtherance of the foregoing, each Revolving Lender hereby absolutely and unconditionally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, for the account of the Issuing Bank, such Lender's Applicable Percentage of each LC Disbursement made by the Issuing Bank and not reimbursed by the Borrowers on the date due as provided in <u>paragraph (e)</u> of this Section, or of any reimbursement payment required to be refunded to the Borrowers for any reason. Each Revolving Lender acknowledges and agrees that its obligation to acquire participations pursuant to this paragraph in respect of Letters of Credit is absolute and unconditional and shall not be affected by any circumstance whatsoever, including any amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or the occurrence and continuance of a Default or reduction or termination of the Commitments, and that each such payment shall be made without any offset, abatement, withholding or reduction whatsoever.
- (e) <u>Reimbursement</u>. If the Issuing Bank shall make any LC Disbursement in respect of a Letter of Credit, the Borrowers shall reimburse such LC Disbursement by paying to the Administrative Agent an amount equal to such LC Disbursement in the applicable Agreed Currency not later than 12:00 p.m., Local Time, on (i) the Business Day that the Borrower Representative receives notice of such LC Disbursement, if such notice is received prior to 10:00 a.m., Local Time, on the day of receipt, or (ii)

the Business Day immediately following the day that the Borrower Representative receives such notice, if such notice is received after 10:00 a.m., Local Time, on the day of receipt; provided that, the Borrower Representative may, subject to the conditions to borrowing set forth herein, request in accordance with Section 2.03 or 2.04 that such payment be financed with an ABR Revolving Borrowing or Swingline Loan in an equivalent Dollar Amount and, to the extent so financed, the Borrowers' obligation to make such payment shall be discharged and replaced by the resulting ABR Revolving Borrowing or Swingline Loan. If the Borrowers fail to make such payment when due, the Administrative Agent shall notify each Revolving Lender of the applicable LC Disbursement, the payment then due from the Borrowers in respect thereof, and such Lender's Applicable Percentage thereof. Promptly following receipt of such notice, each Revolving Lender shall pay to the Administrative Agent in Dollars its Applicable Percentage of the Dollar Amount of the payment then due from the Borrowers, in the same manner as provided in Section 2.06 with respect to Loans made by such Lender (and Section 2.06 shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the payment obligations of the Revolving Lenders), and the Administrative Agent shall promptly pay to the Issuing Bank the amounts so received by it from the Revolving Lenders. Promptly following receipt by the Administrative Agent of any payment from the Borrowers pursuant to this paragraph, the Administrative Agent shall distribute such payment to the Issuing Bank or, to the extent that Revolving Lenders have made payments pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse the Issuing Bank, then to such Lenders and the Issuing Bank, as their interests may appear. Any payment made by a Revolving Lender pursuant to this paragraph to reimburse the Issuing Bank for any LC Disbursement (other than the funding of ABR Revolving Loans or a Swingline Loan as contemplated above) shall not constitute a Loan and shall not relieve the Borrowers of their obligation to reimburse such LC Disbursement. If the Borrowers' reimbursement of, or obligation to reimburse, any amounts in any Foreign Currency would subject a Credit Party to any stamp duty, ad valorem charge or similar tax that would not be payable if such reimbursement were made or required to be made in Dollars, the Borrowers shall, at their option, either (x) pay the amount of any such tax requested by such Credit Party or (y) reimburse each LC Disbursement made in such Foreign Currency in Dollars, in an amount equal to the Dollar Amount of such LC Disbursement on the date such LC Disbursement is made.

Obligations Absolute. The Borrowers' joint and several obligation to reimburse LC Disbursements as provided in paragraph (e) of this Section shall be absolute, unconditional and irrevocable, and shall be performed strictly in accordance with the terms of this Agreement under any and all circumstances whatsoever and irrespective of (i) any lack of validity or enforceability of any Letter of Credit or this Agreement, or any term or provision therein or herein, (ii) any draft or other document presented under a Letter of Credit proving to be forged, fraudulent or invalid in any respect or any statement therein being untrue or inaccurate in any respect, (iii) any payment by the Issuing Bank under a Letter of Credit against presentation of a draft or other document that does not comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit, or (iv) any other event or circumstance whatsoever, whether or not similar to any of the foregoing, that might, but for the provisions of this Section, constitute a legal or equitable discharge of, or provide a right of setoff against, the Borrowers' obligations hereunder. None of the Administrative Agent, the Revolving Lenders or the Issuing Bank, or any of their Related Parties, shall have any liability or responsibility by reason of or in connection with the issuance or transfer of any Letter of Credit, or any payment or failure to make any payment thereunder (irrespective of any of the circumstances referred to in the preceding sentence), or any error, omission, interruption, loss or delay in transmission or delivery of any draft, notice or other communication under or relating to any Letter of Credit (including any document required to make a drawing thereunder), any error in interpretation of technical terms or any consequence arising from causes beyond the control of the Issuing Bank; provided that the foregoing shall not be construed to excuse the Issuing Bank from liability to the Borrowers to the extent of any direct damages (as opposed to special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages, claims in respect of which are hereby waived by the Borrowers to the extent permitted by applicable law) suffered by any Borrower

that are caused by the Issuing Bank's failure to exercise care when determining whether drafts and other documents presented under a Letter of Credit comply with the terms thereof. The parties hereto expressly agree that, in the absence of gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct on the part of the Issuing Bank (as finally determined by a court of competent jurisdiction), the Issuing Bank shall be deemed to have exercised care in each such determination. In furtherance of the foregoing and without limiting the generality thereof, the parties agree that, with respect to documents presented which appear on their face to be in substantial compliance with the terms of a Letter of Credit, the Issuing Bank may, in its sole discretion, either accept and make payment upon such documents without responsibility for further investigation, regardless of any notice or information to the contrary, or refuse to accept and make payment upon such documents if such documents are not in strict compliance with the terms of such Letter of Credit.

- (g) <u>Disbursement Procedures</u>. The Issuing Bank shall, promptly following its receipt thereof, examine all documents purporting to represent a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit. The Issuing Bank shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent and the CSW Borrower by telephone (confirmed by fax or email if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Issuing Bank) of such demand for payment and whether the Issuing Bank has made or will make an LC Disbursement thereunder; provided that any failure to give or delay in giving such notice shall not relieve the Borrowers of their obligation to reimburse the Issuing Bank and the Revolving Lenders with respect to any such LC Disbursement.
- (h) Interim Interest. If the Issuing Bank shall make any LC Disbursement, then, unless the Borrowers shall reimburse such LC Disbursement in full on the date such LC Disbursement is made, the unpaid amount thereof shall bear interest, for each day from and including the date such LC Disbursement is made to but excluding the date that the Borrowers reimburse such LC Disbursement, at the rate per annum then applicable to ABR Revolving Loans and such interest shall be due and payable on the date when such reimbursement is due; provided that, if the Borrowers fail to reimburse such LC Disbursement when due pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section, then Section 2.12(c) shall apply. Interest accrued pursuant to this paragraph shall be for the account of the Issuing Bank, except that interest accrued on and after the date of payment by any Revolving Lender pursuant to paragraph (e) of this Section to reimburse the Issuing Bank shall be for the account of such Lender to the extent of such payment.

(i) Replacement of the Issuing Bank.

(i) The Issuing Bank may be replaced at any time by written agreement among the CSW Borrower, the Administrative Agent, the replaced Issuing Bank and the successor Issuing Bank. The Administrative Agent shall notify the Revolving Lenders of any such replacement of the Issuing Bank. At the time any such replacement shall become effective, the Borrowers shall pay all unpaid fees accrued for the account of the replaced Issuing Bank pursuant to Section 2.11(b). From and after the effective date of any such replacement, (i) the successor Issuing Bank shall have all the rights and obligations of the Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit to be issued thereafter and (ii) references herein to the term "Issuing Bank" shall be deemed to refer to such successor or to any previous Issuing Bank, or to such successor and all previous Issuing Banks, as the context shall require. After the replacement of an Issuing Bank hereunder, the replaced Issuing Bank shall remain a party hereto and shall continue to have all the rights and obligations of an Issuing Bank under this Agreement with respect to Letters of Credit then outstanding and issued by it prior to such replacement, but shall not be required to issue additional Letters of Credit.

- (ii) Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor Issuing Bank, the Issuing Bank may resign as an Issuing Bank at any time upon thirty days' prior written notice to the Administrative Agent, the Borrower Representative and the Lenders, in which case, such Issuing Bank shall be replaced in accordance with Section 2.05(i)(i) above.
- (j) <u>Cash Collateralization</u>. If any Event of Default exists, on the Business Day that the Borrower Representative receives notice from the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders (or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated, Revolving Lenders with LC Exposure representing greater than 50% of the aggregate LC Exposure) demanding the deposit of Cash Collateral pursuant to this paragraph, the Borrowers shall deposit in an account with the Administrative Agent, in the name of the Administrative Agent and for the benefit of the Revolving Lenders (the "LC Collateral Account"), an amount in cash equal to 105% of the LC Exposure as of such date plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon; provided that the obligation to deposit such Cash Collateral shall become effective immediately, and such deposit shall become immediately due and payable, without demand or other notice of any kind, upon the occurrence of any Event of Default with respect to any Borrower described in clause (h) or (i) of Section 8.01. The Borrowers also shall deposit Cash Collateral in accordance with this paragraph as and to the extent required by Section 2.10(b) or 2.19. Each such deposit shall be held by the Administrative Agent as collateral for the payment and performance of the Secured Obligations. The Administrative Agent shall have exclusive dominion and control, including the exclusive right of withdrawal, over the LC Collateral Account and the Borrowers hereby grant the Administrative Agent a security interest in the LC Collateral Account and all moneys or other assets on deposit therein or credited thereto. Other than any interest earned on the investment of such deposits, which investments shall be made at the option and sole discretion of the Administrative Agent and at the Borrowers' risk and expense, such deposits shall not bear interest. Interest or profits, if any, on such investments shall accumulate in such account. Moneys in such account shall be applied by the Administrative Agent to reimburse the Issuing Bank for LC Disbursements for which it has not been reimbursed and, to the extent not so applied, shall be held for the satisfaction of the reimbursement obligations of the Borrowers for the LC Exposure at such time or, if the maturity of the Loans has been accelerated (but subject to the consent of Revolving Lenders with LC Exposure representing greater than 50% of the aggregate LC Exposure), be applied to satisfy other Secured Obligations. If the Borrowers are required to provide an amount of Cash Collateral hereunder as a result of the occurrence of an Event of Default, such amount (to the extent not applied as aforesaid) shall be returned to the Borrowers within three Business Days after all such Events of Default have been cured or waived as confirmed in writing by the Administrative Agent.
- (k) <u>Issuing Bank Reports to the Administrative Agent</u>. Unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent, each Issuing Bank shall, in addition to its notification obligations set forth elsewhere in this Section, report in writing to the Administrative Agent (i) periodic activity (for such period or recurrent periods as shall be requested by the Administrative Agent) in respect of Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank, including all issuances, extensions, amendments and renewals, all expirations and cancelations and all disbursements and reimbursements, (ii) reasonably prior to the time that such Issuing Bank issues, amends, renews or extends any Letter of Credit, the date of such issuance, amendment, renewal or extension, and the stated amount of the Letters of Credit issued, amended, renewed or extended by it and outstanding after giving effect to such issuance, amendment, renewal or extension (and whether the amounts thereof shall have changed), (iii) on each Business Day on which such Issuing Bank makes any LC Disbursement, the date and amount of such LC Disbursement, (iv) on any Business Day on which a Borrower fails to reimburse an LC Disbursement required to be reimbursed to such Issuing Bank on such day, the date of such failure and the amount of such LC Disbursement, and (v) on any other Business Day, such other information as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request as to the Letters of Credit issued by such Issuing Bank.

(l) <u>LC Exposure Determination</u>. For all purposes of this Agreement, the amount of a Letter of Credit that, by its terms or the terms of any document related thereto, provides for one or more automatic increases in the stated amount thereof shall be deemed to be the maximum stated amount of such Letter of Credit after giving effect to all such increases, whether or not such maximum stated amount is in effect at the time of determination.

SECTION 2.06. Funding of Borrowings.

- (a) Each Lender shall make each Loan to be made by such Lender hereunder on the proposed date thereof solely by wire transfer of immediately available funds in the requested Agreed Currency by 12:00 p.m., Local Time, to the account of the Administrative Agent most recently designated by it for such purpose by notice to the Lenders in an amount equal to such Lender's Applicable Percentage; provided that Swingline Loans shall be made as provided in <u>Section 2.04</u>. The Administrative Agent will make such Loans available to the Borrower Representative by promptly crediting the funds so received in the aforesaid account of the Administrative Agent to the Funding Account(s); provided that ABR Revolving Loans made to finance the reimbursement of an LC Disbursement as provided in <u>Section 2.05(e)</u> shall be remitted by the Administrative Agent to the Issuing Bank.
- (b) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from a Lender prior to the proposed date of any Borrowing that such Lender will not make available to the Administrative Agent such Lender's share of such Borrowing, the Administrative Agent may assume that such Lender has made such share available on such date in accordance with paragraph (a) of this Section and may, in reliance upon such assumption, make available to the applicable Borrower a corresponding amount. In such event, if a Lender has not in fact made its share of the applicable Borrowing available to the Administrative Agent, then the applicable Lender and the Borrowers severally agree to pay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand such corresponding amount with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is made available to the applicable Borrower to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at (i) in the case of such Lender, the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation (including without limitation the Overnight Foreign Currency Rate in the case of Loans denominated in a Foreign Currency) or (ii) in the case of the Borrowers, the interest rate applicable to ABR Revolving Loans. If such Lender pays such amount to the Administrative Agent, then such amount shall constitute such Lender's Loan included in such Borrowing.

SECTION 2.07. Interest Elections.

(a) Each Borrowing initially shall be of the Type specified in the applicable Borrowing Request and, in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, shall have an initial Interest Period as specified in such Borrowing Request. Thereafter, the Borrower Representative may elect to convert such Borrowing to a different Type or to continue such Borrowing and, in the case of a Eurocurrency Borrowing, may elect Interest Periods therefor, all as provided in this Section. The Borrower Representative may elect different options with respect to different portions of the affected Borrowing, in which case each such portion shall be allocated ratably among the Lenders holding the Loans comprising such Borrowing, and the Loans comprising each such portion shall be considered a separate Borrowing. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, Eurocurrency Loans in a Foreign Currency may not be converted and may only be continued only as Eurocurrency Loans in the same Foreign Currency. This Section shall not apply to Swingline Borrowings, which may not be converted or continued.

- (b) To make an election pursuant to this Section, the Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of such election by telephone or through Electronic Systems, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, by the time that a Borrowing Request would be required under Section 2.03 if the Borrowers were requesting a Borrowing of the Type resulting from such election to be made on the effective date of such election. Each such telephonic Interest Election Request shall be irrevocable and shall be confirmed promptly by hand delivery, Electronic Systems or fax, to the Administrative Agent of a written Interest Election Request in a form approved by the Administrative Agent and signed by the Borrower Representative.
- (c) Each telephonic and written Interest Election Request (including requests submitted through Electronic Systems) shall specify the following information in compliance with <u>Section 2.02</u>:
 - (i) the name of the applicable Borrower and the Borrowing to which such Interest Election Request applies and, if different options are being elected with respect to different portions thereof, the portions thereof to be allocated to each resulting Borrowing (in which case the information to be specified pursuant to <u>clauses (iii)</u> and <u>(iv)</u> of this <u>Section 2.07(c)</u> shall be specified for each resulting Borrowing);
 - (ii) the effective date of the election made pursuant to such Interest Election Request, which shall be a Business Day;
 - (iii) whether the resulting Borrowing is to be an ABR Borrowing or a Eurocurrency Borrowing, and if a Eurocurrency Borrowing, the applicable Agreed Currency; and
 - (iv) if the resulting Borrowing is a Eurocurrency Borrowing, the Interest Period to be applicable thereto after giving effect to such election, which shall be a period contemplated by the definition of the term "Interest Period".

If any such Interest Election Request requests a Eurocurrency Borrowing but does not specify an Interest Period, then the Borrowers shall be deemed to have selected an Interest Period of one month's duration.

- (d) Promptly following receipt of an Interest Election Request, the Administrative Agent shall advise each Lender of the applicable Class of the details thereof and of such Lender's portion of each resulting Borrowing.
- (e) If the Borrower Representative fails to deliver a timely Interest Election Request with respect to a Eurocurrency Borrowing prior to the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto, then, unless such Borrowing is repaid as provided herein, at the end of such Interest Period such Borrowing (i) denominated in Dollars shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing, and (ii) denominated in a Foreign Currency shall be made as a Eurocurrency Loan in the same Agreed Currency with an Interest Period of one month.
- (f) Notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof, if an Event of Default exists and the Administrative Agent, at the request of the Required Lenders, so notifies the Borrower Representative, then, so long as an Event of Default is continuing (i) no outstanding Borrowing in Dollars may be converted to or continued as a Eurocurrency Borrowing, (ii) unless repaid, each Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in Dollars shall be converted to an ABR Borrowing at the end of the Interest Period applicable thereto and (iii) unless repaid, each Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in a Foreign Currency shall automatically be continued as a Eurocurrency Borrowing with an Interest Period of one month. A Borrowing of any Class may not be converted to or continued as a Eurocurrency Borrowing if

after giving effect thereto (i) the Interest Period therefor would commence before and end after a date on which any principal of the Loans of such Class is scheduled to be repaid and (ii) the sum of the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Eurocurrency Borrowings of such Class with Interest Periods ending on or prior to such scheduled repayment date plus the aggregate principal amount of outstanding ABR Borrowings of such Class would be less than the aggregate principal amount of Loans of such Class required to be repaid on such scheduled repayment date.

SECTION 2.08. <u>Termination and Reduction of Commitments</u>; <u>Increase in Revolving Commitments</u>.

- (a) (i) Unless previously terminated, all the Revolving Commitments shall terminate on the Revolving Credit Maturity Date, (ii) the Extended Revolving Commitments shall terminate on the respective maturity dates applicable thereto and (iii) the Revolving Commitments shall be reduced in accordance with Section 2.10(d).
- (b) The Borrowers may at any time terminate the Revolving Commitments upon (i) the payment in full of all outstanding Revolving Loans and LC Disbursements, together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, (ii) the cancellation and return of all outstanding Letters of Credit (or alternatively, with respect to each such Letter of Credit, the furnishing to the Administrative Agent of a cash deposit (or at the discretion of the Administrative Agent a backup standby letter of credit satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank) in an amount equal to 105% of the LC Exposure as of such date), (iii) the payment in full of the accrued and unpaid fees, and (iv) the indefeasible payment in full in cash of all reimbursable expenses and other Secured Obligations (other than Unliquidated Obligations for which no claim has been made and other obligations expressly stated to survive such payment and termination of this Agreement), together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon.
- (c) The Borrowers may from time to time reduce the Revolving Commitments; provided that (i) each reduction of the Revolving Commitments shall be in an amount that is an integral multiple of \$500,000 and not less than \$1,000,000, (ii) the Borrowers shall not terminate or reduce the Revolving Commitments if, after giving effect to any concurrent prepayment of the Revolving Loans in accordance with Section 2.10, the Aggregate Revolving Exposure would exceed the aggregate Revolving Commitments and (iii) if, after giving effect to any reduction of the Revolving Commitments, the Foreign Currency Sublimit exceeds the amount of the aggregate Revolving Commitments, such Foreign Currency Sublimit shall be automatically reduced by the amount of such excess.
- (d) The Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent of any election to terminate or reduce the Revolving Commitments under <u>paragraph</u> (b) or (c) of this Section at least three (3) Business Days prior to the effective date of such termination or reduction, specifying such election and the effective date thereof. Promptly following receipt of any notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each notice delivered by the Borrower Representative pursuant to this Section shall be irrevocable; provided that a notice of termination of the Revolving Commitments delivered by the Borrower Representative may state that such notice is conditioned upon the effectiveness of other credit facilities, in which case such notice may be revoked by the Borrower Representative (by notice to the Administrative Agent on or prior to the specified effective date) if such condition is not satisfied. Any termination or reduction of the Revolving Commitments shall be permanent. Each reduction of the Commitments shall be made ratably among the Lenders in accordance with their respective Revolving Commitments.
- (e) The Borrowers shall have the right to increase the Revolving Commitments by obtaining additional Revolving Commitments, either from one or more of the Lenders or another lending

institution, provided that (i) any such request for an increase shall be in a Dollar Amount that is an integral multiple of \$0 and not less than of \$0, (ii) the Borrowers shall not make more than three such requests during the term of this Agreement, (iii) after giving effect thereto, the aggregate additional Commitments pursuant to this Section 2.08(e) do not exceed the Dollar Amount of \$0, (iv) the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank have approved the identity of any such new Lender, such approvals not to be unreasonably withheld, (v) any such new Lender has agreed to, and is capable of, funding in each of the Agreed Currencies in accordance with the terms hereof, (vi) any such new Lender assumes all of the rights and obligations of a "Lender" hereunder, and (vii) the procedure described in Section 2.08(f) have been satisfied. Nothing contained in this Section 2.08 shall constitute, or otherwise be deemed to be, a commitment on the part of any Lender to increase its Commitment hereunder at any time.

- (f) Any amendment hereto for such an increase or addition shall be in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and shall only require the written signatures of the Administrative Agent, the Borrowers and each Lender being added or increasing its Commitment, subject only to the approval of all Lenders if any such increase or addition would cause the Revolving Commitments to exceed \$300,000,000. As a condition precedent to such an increase or addition, the Borrowers shall deliver to the Administrative Agent (i) a certificate of each Loan Party signed by an authorized officer of such Loan Party (A) certifying and attaching the resolutions adopted by such Loan Party approving or consenting to such increase, and (B) in the case of the Borrowers and the other Loan Parties, certifying that, before and after giving effect to such increase or addition, (1) the representations and warranties contained in Article III and the other Loan Documents are true and correct in all material respects, except to the extent that such representations and warranties (x) are already qualified by materiality in which case they are true and correct in all respects and (y) specifically refer to an earlier date, in which case they are true and correct as of such earlier date, (2) no Default exists and (3) the Company is in Pro Forma Compliance (provided that, for purposes of this clause (3), the amount of any increase in the Revolving Commitments shall be deemed to be fully drawn in determining Pro Forma Compliance) and (ii) legal opinions and documents consistent with those delivered on the Effective Date, to the extent requested by the Administrative Agent.
- (g) On the effective date of any such increase or addition, (i) any Lender increasing (or, in the case of any newly added Lender, adding) its Revolving Commitment shall make available to the Administrative Agent such amounts in immediately available funds in such Agreed Currencies as the Administrative Agent shall determine, for the benefit of the other Lenders, as being required in order to cause, after giving effect to such increase or addition and the use of such amounts to make payments to such other Lenders, each Lender's portion of the outstanding Revolving Loans in the various Agreed Currencies of all the Lenders to equal its revised Applicable Percentage of such outstanding Revolving Loans in the various Agreed Currencies, and the Administrative Agent shall make such other adjustments among the Lenders with respect to the Revolving Loans then outstanding and amounts of principal, interest, commitment fees and other amounts paid or payable with respect thereto as shall be necessary, in the opinion of the Administrative Agent, in order to effect such reallocation and (ii) the Borrowers shall be deemed to have repaid and reborrowed all outstanding Revolving Loans as of the date of any increase (or addition) in the Revolving Commitments (with such reborrowing to consist of the Types of Revolving Loans, with related Interest Periods if applicable, specified in a notice delivered by the Borrower Representative, in accordance with the requirements of Section 2.03). The deemed payments made pursuant to clause (ii) of the immediately preceding sentence shall be accompanied by payment of all accrued interest on the amount prepaid and, in respect of each Eurocurrency Loan, shall be subject to indemnification by the Borrowers pursuant to the provisions of Section 2.15 if the deemed payment occurs other than on the last day of the related Interest Periods. Within a reasonable time after the

effective date of any increase or addition, the Administrative Agent shall, and is hereby authorized and directed to, revise the Commitment Schedule to reflect such increase or addition and shall distribute such revised Commitment Schedule to each of the Lenders and the Borrower Representative, whereupon such revised Commitment Schedule shall replace the old Commitment Schedule and become part of this Agreement.

SECTION 2.09. Repayment and Amortization of Loans; Evidence of Debt.

- (a) The Borrowers hereby unconditionally promise to pay (i) to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Lender the then unpaid principal amount of each Revolving Loan on the Revolving Credit Maturity Date, and (ii) to the Swingline Lender the then unpaid principal amount of each Swingline Loan on the earlier of the Revolving Credit Maturity Date and the fifth Business Day after such Swingline Loan is made; provided that on each date that a Revolving Loan is made in Dollars, the Borrowers shall repay all Swingline Loans then outstanding and the proceeds of any such Revolving Loan shall be applied by the Administrative Agent to repay any Swingline Loans outstanding. All Loans shall be repaid and prepaid in the Agreed Currency in which they were originally denominated.
- (b) Each Lender shall maintain in accordance with its usual practice an account or accounts evidencing the Indebtedness of the Borrowers to such Lender resulting from each Loan made by such Lender, including the amounts of principal and interest payable and paid to such Lender from time to time hereunder.
- (c) The Administrative Agent shall maintain accounts in which it shall record (i) the amount of each Loan made hereunder, the Class, Agreed Currency and Type thereof and the Interest Period applicable thereto, if any, (ii) the amount of any principal or interest due and payable or to become due and payable from the Borrowers to each Lender hereunder and (iii) the amount of any sum received by the Administrative Agent hereunder for the account of the Lenders and each Lender's share thereof.
- (d) The entries made in the accounts maintained pursuant to <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section shall be prima facie evidence of the existence and amounts of the obligations recorded therein; provided that the failure of any Lender or the Administrative Agent to maintain such accounts or any error therein shall not in any manner affect the obligation of the Borrowers to repay the Loans in accordance with the terms of this Agreement.
- (e) Any Lender may request that Loans made by it be evidenced by a promissory note. In such event, the Borrowers shall prepare, execute and deliver to such Lender a promissory note payable to the order of such Lender (or, if requested by such Lender, to such Lender and its registered assigns) and in a form approved by the Administrative Agent. Thereafter, the Loans evidenced by such promissory note and interest thereon shall at all times (including after assignment pursuant to Section 10.04) be represented by one or more promissory notes in such form payable to the order of the payee named therein (or, if such promissory note is a registered note, to such payee and its registered assigns).

SECTION 2.10. Prepayment of Loans.

(a) The Borrowers shall have the right at any time and from time to time to prepay any Borrowing in whole or in part, subject to prior notice in accordance with <u>paragraph (e)</u> of this Section and, if applicable, payment of any break funding expenses under <u>Section 2.15</u>. All Borrowings shall be repaid and prepaid in the Agreed Currency in which they were originally denominated.

- (b) In the event and on such occasion that (i) other than as a result of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, the Aggregate Revolving Exposure (calculated, with respect to those Revolving Loans and Letters of Credit denominated in Foreign Currencies, as of the most recent Computation Date with respect thereto) exceeds the aggregate Revolving Commitments, (ii) other than as a result of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, the aggregate Foreign Currency Exposure (calculated as of the most recent Computation Date) exceeds the Foreign Currency Sublimit, (iii) solely as a result of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, the Aggregate Revolving Exposure (calculated, with respect to those Revolving Loans and Letters of Credit denominated in Foreign Currencies, as of the most recent Computation Date with respect thereto), as of the most recent Computation Date, exceeds 105% of the aggregate Commitments, or (iv) solely as a result of fluctuations in currency exchange rates, the aggregate Foreign Currency Exposure exceeds 105% of the Foreign Currency Sublimit, the Borrowers shall prepay the Revolving Loans, the LC Exposure and/or Swingline Loans (or, if no such Borrowings are outstanding, deposit Cash Collateral in the LC Collateral Account in an aggregate amount equal to such excess, in accordance with Section 2.05(j)) in an aggregate principal amount sufficient to cause (x) the Aggregate Revolving Exposure to be less than or equal to the aggregate Commitments and (y) the aggregate Dollar Amount of all Eurocurrency Loans denominated in Foreign Currencies to be less than or equal to the Foreign Currency Sublimit. In each case proceeding in this clause (b), the Dollar Amount of each such calculation shall be calculated, with respect to Loans and Letters of Credit denominated in Foreign Currencies, as of the most recent Computation Date.
- (c) In the event and on each occasion that any Net Proceeds are received by or on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in respect of any Prepayment Event, the Borrowers shall, promptly (but in any event within three (3) Business Days) after such Net Proceeds are received by any Loan Party or Subsidiary, prepay the Obligations and Cash Collateralize the LC Exposure as set forth in Section 2.10(d) below in an aggregate amount equal to 100% of such Net Proceeds, provided that, in the case of any event described in clause (a) or (b) of the definition of the term "Prepayment Event", if the Borrower Representative shall deliver to the Administrative Agent a certificate of a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower to the effect that the Loan Parties intend to apply the Net Proceeds from such event (or a portion thereof specified in such certificate), within 180 days after receipt of such Net Proceeds, to acquire (or replace or rebuild) Real Property, equipment or other tangible assets (excluding inventory) to be used in the business of the Loan Parties, and certifying that no Default has occurred and is continuing, then no prepayment shall be required pursuant to this paragraph in respect of the Net Proceeds specified in such certificate, provided that to the extent of any such Net Proceeds that have not been so applied by the end of such 180 day period, a prepayment shall be required at such time in an amount equal to such Net Proceeds that have not been so applied; provided further that the none of the Loan Parties shall be permitted to make elections to use Net Proceeds to acquire (or replace or rebuild) Real Property, equipment or other tangible assets (excluding inventory) with respect to Net Proceeds in any fiscal year of the Company in an aggregate amount in excess of \$50,000,000.
- (d) All prepayments required to be made pursuant to <u>Section 2.10(c)</u> shall be applied, *first* to prepay the Swingline Loans if such prepayment is made in Dollars, *second* to prepay the Revolving Loans in the applicable Agreed Currency with a corresponding Dollar Amount reduction in the Revolving Commitments if such prepayment is (x) made as a result of any event described in <u>clause (b)</u> of the definition of the term "Prepayment Event" and (y) equal to or in excess of \$50,000,000 and *third* to Cash Collateralize outstanding LC Exposure.
- (e) The Borrower Representative shall notify the Administrative Agent (and, in the case of prepayment of a Swingline Loan, the Swingline Lender) by telephone (confirmed by fax) or through Electronic Systems, if arrangements for doing so have been approved by the Administrative Agent, of any

prepayment under the preceding clauses of this Section: (i) (x) in the case of prepayment of a Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in Dollars, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, three Business Days before the date of prepayment and (y) in the case of prepayment of a Eurocurrency Borrowing denominated in a Foreign Currency, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, four Business Days before the date of prepayment, (ii) in the case of prepayment of an ABR Borrowing, not later than 11:00 a.m., Local Time, one (1) Business Day before the date of prepayment or (iii) in the case of prepayment of a Swingline Loan, not later than 12:00 p.m., Local Time, on the date of prepayment. Each such notice shall be irrevocable and shall specify the prepayment date and the principal amount of each Borrowing or portion thereof to be prepaid; provided that if a notice of prepayment is given in connection with a conditional notice of termination of the Revolving Commitments as contemplated by Section 2.08, then such notice of prepayment may be revoked if such notice of termination is revoked in accordance with Section 2.08. Promptly following receipt of any such notice, the Administrative Agent shall advise the Lenders of the contents thereof. Each partial prepayment of any Revolving Borrowing shall be in an amount that would be permitted in the case of an advance of a Borrowing of the same Type and Agreed Currency as provided in Section 2.02, except as necessary to apply fully the required amount of a mandatory prepayment. Each prepayment of a Borrowing shall be applied ratably to the applicable Loans in the Agreed Currency included in the prepaid Borrowing, or the Dollar Amount thereof shall be applied or converted to a different Agreed Currency and applied ratably among Loans (x) as directed by the Borrower Representative or (y) if (1) an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing or (2) the Borrower has failed to timely direct the Administrative Agent, as determined by the Administrative Agent. Prepayments shall be accompanied by (i) accrued interest to the extent required by Section 2.12 and (ii) break funding payments pursuant to Section 2.15.

SECTION 2.11. Fees.

- (a) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent a commitment fee in Dollars for the account of each Revolving Lender, which shall accrue at the Applicable Rate on the daily amount of the undrawn portion of the Revolving Commitment of such Lender during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the date on which the Lenders' Revolving Commitments terminate; it being understood that the LC Exposure of a Lender shall be included and the Swingline Exposure of a Lender shall be excluded in the drawn portion of the Revolving Commitment of such Lender for purposes of calculating the commitment fee. Accrued commitment fees shall be payable in arrears on the last day of March, June, September and December of each year and on the date on which the Revolving Commitments terminate, commencing on the first such date to occur after the date hereof. All commitment fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day).
- (b) The Borrowers agree to pay (i) to the Administrative Agent for the account of each Revolving Lender a participation fee in Dollars with respect to its participations in Letters of Credit, which shall accrue at the same Applicable Rate used to determine the interest rate applicable to Eurocurrency Revolving Loans on the daily amount of such Lender's LC Exposure (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the later of the date on which such Lender's Revolving Commitment terminates and the date on which such Lender ceases to have any LC Exposure, and (ii) to the Issuing Bank a fronting fee, which shall accrue at the rate of 0.125% per annum on the daily amount of the LC Exposure (excluding any portion thereof attributable to unreimbursed LC Disbursements) during the period from and including the Effective Date to but excluding the later of the date of termination of the Commitments and the date on which there ceases to be any LC Exposure, as well as the Issuing Bank's standard fees and commissions with respect to the issuance, amendment, cancellation, negotiation.

transfer, presentment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or processing of drawings thereunder. Participation fees and fronting fees accrued through and including the last day of March, June, September and December of each year shall be payable on the third Business Day following such last day, commencing on the first such date to occur after the Effective Date; provided that all such fees shall be payable on the date on which the Revolving Commitments terminate and any such fees accruing after the date on which the Revolving Commitments terminate shall be payable on demand. Any other fees payable to the Issuing Bank pursuant to this paragraph shall be payable within ten (10) days after demand. All participation fees and fronting fees shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days and shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day).

- (c) The Borrowers agree to pay to the Administrative Agent, for its own account, in Dollars, fees payable in the amounts and at the times separately agreed upon between the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent.
- (d) All fees payable hereunder shall be paid on the dates due, in immediately available funds in Dollars, to the Administrative Agent (or to the Issuing Bank, in the case of fees payable to it) for distribution, in the case of commitment fees and participation fees, to the Lenders entitled thereto. Fees paid shall not be refundable under any circumstances.

SECTION 2.12. Interest.

- (a) The Loans comprising each ABR Borrowing (including each Swingline Loan) shall bear interest at the sum of the Alternate Base Rate plus the Applicable Rate.
- (b) The Loans comprising each Eurocurrency Borrowing shall bear interest at the sum of the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate for the Interest Period in effect for such Borrowing for such Agreed Currency plus the Applicable Rate.
- (c) Notwithstanding the foregoing, during the occurrence and continuance of an Event of Default, the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders may, at their option, by notice to the Borrower Representative (which notice may be revoked at the option of the Required Lenders notwithstanding any provision of Section 10.02 requiring the consent of "each Lender affected thereby" for reductions in interest rates), declare that (i) all Loans shall bear interest at 2% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Loans as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Section or (ii) in the case of any other amount outstanding hereunder, such amount shall accrue at 2% plus the rate applicable to such fee or other obligation as provided hereunder; provided that, and notwithstanding the foregoing, if any principal or interest on any Loan or any fee or other amount payable by the Borrowers hereunder is not paid when due, whether at stated maturity, upon acceleration or otherwise, such overdue amount shall bear interest, after as well as before judgment, at a rate per annum equal to (i) in case of overdue principal of any Loan, 2% plus the rate otherwise applicable to such Loans as provided in the preceding paragraphs of this Section or (ii) in the case of any other amount outstanding hereunder, such amount shall accrue at 2% plus the rate applicable to such fee or other obligation as provided hereunder.
- (d) Accrued interest on each Loan (for ABR Loans, accrued through the last day of the prior calendar month) shall be payable in arrears on each Interest Payment Date for such Loan and, in the case of Revolving Loans, upon termination of the Revolving Commitments; provided that (i) interest accrued pursuant to paragraph(c) of this Section shall be payable on demand, (ii) in the event of any repayment or prepayment of any Loan (other than a prepayment of an ABR Revolving Loan prior to the end of the Availability Period), accrued interest on the principal amount repaid or prepaid shall be

payable on the date of such repayment or prepayment and (iii) in the event of any conversion of any Eurocurrency Loan prior to the end of the current Interest Period therefor, accrued interest on such Loan shall be payable on the effective date of such conversion.

(e) All interest hereunder shall be computed on the basis of a year of 360 days, except that (i) interest computed by reference to the Alternate Base Rate at times when the Alternate Base Rate is based on the Prime Rate, (ii) interest computed by reference to the CDOR Rate and (iii) computations of interest for Borrowing denominated in Pounds Sterling shall be computed on the basis of a year of 365 days (or 366 days in a leap year), and in each case shall be payable for the actual number of days elapsed (including the first day but excluding the last day). The applicable Alternate Base Rate, Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate or Eurocurrency Rate shall be determined by the Administrative Agent, and such determination shall be conclusive absent manifest error.

SECTION 2.13. Market Disruption and Alternate Rate of Interest; Illegality.

- (a) If at the time that the Administrative Agent shall seek to determine the relevant Screen Rate on the Quotation Day for any Interest Period for a Eurocurrency Borrowing the applicable Screen Rate shall not be available for such Interest Period and/or for the applicable Agreed Currency with respect to such Eurocurrency Borrowing for any reason and the Administrative Agent shall determine that it is not possible to determine the Interpolated Rate (which conclusion shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error), then the applicable Reference Bank Rate shall be the Eurocurrency Rate for such Interest Period for such Eurocurrency Borrowing; provided that if any Reference Bank Rate shall be less than zero, such rate shall be deemed to be zero for purposes of this Agreement; provided, further, however, that if less than two Reference Banks shall supply a rate to the Administrative Agent for purposes of determining the Eurocurrency Rate for such Eurocurrency Borrowing, (i) if such Borrowing shall be requested in Dollars, then such Borrowing shall be made as an ABR Borrowing and (ii) if such Borrowing shall be requested in any Foreign Currency, the Eurocurrency Rate shall be equal to an interest rate reasonably determined by the Administrative Agent, after consultation with the Borrower Representative and the applicable Lenders, to compensate the applicable Lenders for such Loan in such currency for the applicable period (from whatever source and using whatever methodologies the Administrative Agent and such Lenders may select in their reasonable discretion) (such rate, the "CF Rate").
 - (b) If prior to the commencement of any Interest Period for a Eurocurrency Borrowing:
 - (i) the Administrative Agent determines (which determination shall be conclusive and binding absent manifest error) that adequate and reasonable means do not exist for ascertaining (including, without limitation, by means of an Interpolated Rate) the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate or the Eurocurrency Rate, as applicable, for a Loan in the applicable Agreed Currency or for the applicable Interest Period; or
 - (ii) the Administrative Agent is advised by the Required Lenders that the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate or the Eurocurrency Rate, as applicable, for a Loan in the applicable Agreed Currency or for the applicable Interest Period will not adequately and fairly reflect the cost to such Lenders (or Lender) of making or maintaining their Loans (or its Loan) included in such Borrowing for such Interest Period:

then the Administrative Agent shall give notice thereof to the Borrower Representative and the Lenders through Electronic Systems as provided in <u>Section 10.01</u> as promptly as practicable thereafter and, until

the Administrative Agent notifies the Borrower Representative and the Lenders that the circumstances giving rise to such notice no longer exist, (i) any Interest Election Request that requests the conversion of any Eurocurrency Borrowing to, or continuation of any Eurocurrency Borrowing in the applicable Agreed Currency or for the applicable Interest Period, as the case may be, shall be ineffective, (ii) if such Borrowing is requested in Dollars, such Borrowing shall be made as an ABR Borrowing and (iii) if such Borrowing is requested in any Foreign Currency, then the Eurocurrency Rate for such Eurocurrency Borrowing shall be at the CF Rate; provided, further that if the circumstances giving rise to such notice affect only one Type of Borrowings, then the other Type of Borrowings shall be permitted.

- (c) If any Lender determines that any Requirement of Law has made it unlawful, or if any Governmental Authority has asserted that it is unlawful, for any Lender or its applicable lending office to make, maintain, fund or continue any Eurocurrency Borrowing, or any Governmental Authority has imposed material restrictions on the authority of such Lender to purchase or sell, or to take deposits of, the applicable Agreed Currency in the applicable interbank market, then, on notice thereof by such Lender to the Borrower Representative through the Administrative Agent, any obligations of such Lender to make, maintain, fund or continue Eurocurrency Loans in the affected currency or currencies or, in the case of Eurocurrencies Loans in Dollars, to convert ABR Borrowings to Eurocurrency Borrowings will be suspended until such Lender notifies the Administrative Agent and the Borrower Representative that the circumstances giving rise to such determination no longer exist. Upon receipt of such notice, the Borrowers will upon demand from such Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), either convert all affected Eurocurrency Loans denominated in Dollars of such Lender to ABR Loans, and to repay all affected Loans in any other Agreed Currency, either on the last day of the Interest Period therefor, if such Lender may lawfully continue to maintain such Eurocurrency Borrowings to such day, or immediately, if such Lender may not lawfully continue to maintain such Loans. Upon any such prepayment or conversion, the Borrowers will also pay accrued interest on the amount so prepaid or converted.
- (d) Notwithstanding the satisfaction of all conditions referred to in Article II with respect to any Loan in any Foreign Currency, if there shall occur on or prior to the date of such Loan any change in national or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls which would in the reasonable opinion of the applicable Borrower, the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders make it impracticable for the Eurocurrency Loans comprising such Loan to be denominated in such Foreign Currency specified by the applicable Borrower, then the Administrative Agent shall forthwith give notice thereof to such Borrower and the Revolving Lenders or such Borrower shall give notice thereof to the Revolving Lenders, as the case may be, and such Eurocurrency Loans shall not be denominated in such Foreign Currency but shall be made on such date in Dollars, in an aggregate principal amount equal to the Dollar Amount of the aggregate principal amount of the Foreign Currency specified in the related Borrowing Request, as ABR Loans, unless the applicable Borrower notifies the Administrative Agent at least one Business Day before such date that (a) it elects not to borrow on such date or (b) it elects to borrow on such date in a different Agreed Currency, as the case may be, in which the denomination of such Eurocurrency Loans would in the opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Required Lenders be practicable and in an aggregate principal amount equal to the Dollar Amount of the aggregate principal amount off the Foreign Currency specified in the related Borrowing Request.

SECTION 2.14. <u>Increased Costs</u>. (a) If any Change in Law shall:

(i) impose, modify or deem applicable any reserve, special deposit, liquidity or similar requirement (including any compulsory loan requirement, insurance charge or other assessment)

against assets of, deposits with or for the account of, or credit extended by, any Lender (except any such reserve requirement reflected in the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate) or the Issuing Bank; or

- (ii) impose on any Lender or the Issuing Bank or the London interbank market any other condition, cost or expense (other than Taxes) affecting this Agreement or Loans made by such Lender or any Letter of Credit or participation therein; or
- (iii) subject any Recipient to any Taxes (other than (A) Indemnified Taxes, (B) Taxes described in <u>clauses (b)</u> through (<u>d)</u> of the definition of Excluded Taxes and (C) Connection Income Taxes) on its loans, loan principal, letters of credit, commitments, or other obligations, or its deposits, reserves, other liabilities or capital attributable thereto;

and the result of any of the foregoing shall be to increase the cost to such Lender or such other Recipient of making, continuing, converting into or maintaining any Loan (or of maintaining its obligation to make any such Loan) or to increase the cost to such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient of participating in, issuing or maintaining any Letter of Credit or to reduce the amount of any sum received or receivable by such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient hereunder (whether of principal, interest or otherwise), then the Borrowers will pay to such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender, the Issuing Bank or such other Recipient, as the case may be, for such additional costs incurred or reduction suffered.

- (b) If any Lender or the Issuing Bank determines that any Change in Law regarding capital or liquidity requirements has or would have the effect of reducing the rate of return on such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's capital or on the capital of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company, if any, as a consequence of this Agreement, the Commitments of or the Loans made by, or participations in Letters of Credit or Swingline Loans held by, such Lender, or the Letters of Credit issued by the Issuing Bank, to a level below that which such Lender or the Issuing Bank or such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company could have achieved but for such Change in Law (taking into consideration such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's policies and the policies of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company with respect to capital adequacy and liquidity), then from time to time the Borrowers will pay to such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, such additional amount or amounts as will compensate such Lender or the Issuing Bank or such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's holding company for any such reduction suffered.
- (c) A certificate of a Lender or the Issuing Bank setting forth the amount or amounts necessary to compensate such Lender or the Issuing Bank or its holding company, as the case may be, as specified in <u>paragraph (a)</u> or (b) of this Section shall be delivered to the Borrower Representative and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrowers shall pay such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) Business Days after receipt thereof.
- (d) Failure or delay on the part of any Lender or the Issuing Bank to demand compensation pursuant to this Section shall not constitute a waiver of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's right to demand such compensation; provided that the Borrowers shall not be required to compensate a Lender or the Issuing Bank pursuant to this Section for any increased costs or reductions incurred more than 270 days prior to the date that such Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, notifies the Borrower Representative of the Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions and of such Lender's or the Issuing Bank's intention to claim compensation therefor; provided further that, if the

Change in Law giving rise to such increased costs or reductions is retroactive, then the 270day period referred to above shall be extended to include the period of retroactive effect thereof.

SECTION 2.15. Break Funding Payments. In the event of (a) the payment of any principal of any Eurocurrency Loan other than on the last day of an Interest Period applicable thereto (including as a result of an Event of Default or as a result of any prepayment pursuant to Section 2.10), (b) the conversion of any Eurocurrency Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto, (c) the failure to borrow, convert, continue or prepay any Eurocurrency Loan on the date specified in any notice delivered pursuant hereto (regardless of whether such notice may be revoked under Section 2.08(d) and is revoked in accordance therewith) and in the applicable Agreed Currency, or (d) the assignment of any Eurocurrency Loan other than on the last day of the Interest Period applicable thereto as a result of a request by the Borrower Representative pursuant to Section 2.18 or Section 10.02(d), then, in any such event, the Borrowers shall compensate each Lender for the loss, cost and expense attributable to such event. In the case of a Eurocurrency Loan, such loss, cost or expense to any Lender shall be deemed to include an amount determined by such Lender to be the excess, if any, of (i) the amount of interest which would have accrued on the principal amount of such Eurocurrency Loan had such event not occurred, at the Adjusted Eurocurrency Rate that would have been applicable to such Eurocurrency Loan, for the period from the date of such event to the last day of the then current Interest Period therefor (or, in the case of a failure to borrow, convert or continue, for the period that would have been the Interest Period for such Eurocurrency Loan), over (ii) the amount of interest which would accrue on such principal amount for such period at the interest rate which such Lender would bid were it to bid, at the commencement of such period, for dollar deposits of a comparable amount and period from other banks in the eurodollar market. A certificate of any Lender setting forth any amount or amounts that such Lender is entitled to receive pursuant to this Section shall be delivered to the Borrower Representative and shall be conclusive absent manifest error. The Borrowers shall pay such Lender the amount shown as due on any such certificate within ten (10) Business Days after receipt thereof.

SECTION 2.16. Taxes.

- (a) Withholding Taxes; Gross-Up; Payments Free of Taxes. Any and all payments by or on account of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document shall be made without deduction or withholding for any Taxes, except as required by applicable law. If any applicable law (as determined in the good faith discretion of an applicable withholding agent) requires the deduction or withholding of any Tax from any such payment by a withholding agent, then the applicable withholding agent shall be entitled to make such deduction or withholding and shall timely pay the full amount deducted or withheld to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law and, if such Tax is an Indemnified Tax, then the sum payable by the applicable Loan Party shall be increased as necessary so that after such deduction or withholding has been made (including such deductions and withholdings applicable to additional sums payable under this Section 2.16), the applicable Recipient receives an amount equal to the sum it would have received had no such deduction or withholding been made.
- (b) <u>Payment of Other Taxes by Loan Parties</u>. The Loan Parties shall timely pay to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law, or at the option of the Administrative Agent timely reimburse it for the payment of, any Other Taxes.
- (c) <u>Evidence of Payment</u>. As soon as practicable after any payment of Taxes by any Loan Party to a Governmental Authority pursuant to this <u>Section 2.16</u>, such Loan Party shall deliver to the Administrative Agent the original or a certified copy of a receipt issued by such Governmental

Authority evidencing such payment, a copy of the return reporting such payment, or other evidence of such payment reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

- (d) <u>Indemnification by the Loan Parties</u>. The Loan Parties shall jointly and severally indemnify each Recipient, within ten (10) Business Days after demand therefor, for the full amount of any Indemnified Taxes (including Indemnified Taxes imposed or asserted on or attributable to amounts payable under this Section) payable or paid by such Recipient or required to be withheld or deducted from a payment to such Recipient and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Indemnified Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to the Borrower Representative by a Lender (with a copy to the Administrative Agent), or by the Administrative Agent on its own behalf or on behalf of a Lender, shall be conclusive absent manifest error.
- (e) Indemnification by the Lenders. Each Lender shall severally indemnify the Administrative Agent, within ten (10) Business Days after demand therefor, for (i) any Indemnified Taxes attributable to such Lender (but only to the extent that the Administrative Agent has not been indemnified by a Loan Party for such Indemnified Taxes and without limiting the obligation of the Loan Parties to do so), (ii) any Taxes attributable to such Lender's failure to comply with the provisions of Section 10.04(c) relating to the maintenance of a Participant Register and (iii) any Excluded Taxes attributable to such Lender, in each case, that are payable or paid by the Administrative Agent in connection with any Loan Document, and any reasonable expenses arising therefrom or with respect thereto, whether or not such Taxes were correctly or legally imposed or asserted by the relevant Governmental Authority. A certificate as to the amount of such payment or liability delivered to any Lender by the Administrative Agent shall be conclusive absent manifest error. Each Lender hereby authorizes the Administrative Agent to set off and apply any and all amounts at any time owing to such Lender under any Loan Document or otherwise payable by the Administrative Agent to such Lender from any other source against any amount due to the Administrative Agent under this paragraph (e).

(f) Status of Lenders.

(i) Any Lender that is entitled to an exemption from or reduction of withholding Tax with respect to payments made under any Loan Document shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent, at the time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, such properly completed and executed documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as will permit such payments to be made without withholding or at a reduced rate of withholding. In addition, any Lender, if reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent, shall deliver such other documentation prescribed by applicable law or reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as will enable the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent to determine whether or not such Lender is subject to backup withholding or information reporting requirements. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the preceding two sentences, the completion, execution and submission of such documentation (other than such documentation set forth in Section 2.16(f)(ii)(A), (ii)(B) and (ii)(D) below) shall not be required if in the Lender's reasonable judgment such completion, execution or submission would subject such Lender to any material unreimbursed cost or expense or would materially prejudice the legal or commercial position of such Lender.

- (ii) Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, in the event that any Borrower is a U.S. Person,
- (A) any Lender that is a U.S. Person shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent on or prior to the date on which such Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), an executed IRS Form W9 certifying that such Lender is exempt from U.S. federal backup withholding tax;
- (B) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), whichever of the following is applicable:
 - (1) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of an income tax treaty to which the U.S. is a party (x) with respect to payments of interest under any Loan Document, an executed IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "interest" article of such tax treaty and (y) with respect to any other applicable payments under any Loan Document, an IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, establishing an exemption from, or reduction of, U.S. federal withholding Tax pursuant to the "business profits" or "other income" article of such tax treaty;
 - (2) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming that its extension of credit will generate U.S. effectively connected income, an executed IRS Form W8ECI;
 - (3) in the case of a Foreign Lender claiming the benefits of the exemption for portfolio interest under Section 881(c) of the Code, (x) a certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-1 to the effect that such Foreign Lender is not a "bank" within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Code, a "10 percent shareholder" of a Borrower within the meaning of Section 881(c)(3)(B) of the Code, or a "controlled foreign corporation" described in Section 881(c)(3)(C) of the Code (a "U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate") and (y) an executed IRS Form W8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable; or
 - (4) to the extent a Foreign Lender is not the Beneficial Owner, an executed IRS Form W8IMY, accompanied by IRS Form W-8ECI, IRS Form W-8BEN or IRS Form W-8BEN-E, as applicable, a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-2 or Exhibit B-3, IRS Form W9, and/or other certification documents from each Beneficial Owner, as applicable; provided that if the Foreign Lender is a partnership and one or more direct or indirect partners of such Foreign Lender are claiming the portfolio interest exemption, such Foreign Lender may provide a U.S. Tax Compliance Certificate substantially in the form of Exhibit B-4 on behalf of each such direct and indirect partner;
- (C) any Foreign Lender shall, to the extent it is legally entitled to do so, deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent (in such number of copies as shall

be requested by the recipient) on or prior to the date on which such Foreign Lender becomes a Lender under this Agreement (and from time to time thereafter upon the reasonable request of the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent), executed originals of any other form prescribed by applicable law as a basis for claiming exemption from or a reduction in U.S. federal withholding Tax, duly completed, together with such supplementary documentation as may be prescribed by applicable law to permit the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent to determine the withholding or deduction required to be made; and

(D) if a payment made to a Lender under any Loan Document would be subject to U.S. federal withholding Tax imposed by FATCA if such Lender were to fail to comply with the applicable reporting requirements of FATCA (including those contained in Section 1471(b) or 1472(b) of the Code, as applicable), such Lender shall deliver to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent at the time or times prescribed by law and at such time or times reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent such documentation prescribed by applicable law (including as prescribed by Section 1471(b)(3)(C)(i) of the Code) and such additional documentation reasonably requested by the Borrower Representative or the Administrative Agent as may be necessary for the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent to comply with their obligations under FATCA and to determine that such Lender has complied with such Lender's obligations under FATCA or to determine the amount to deduct and withhold from such payment. Solely for purposes of this clause (D), "FATCA" shall include any amendments made to FATCA after the date of this Agreement. For purposes of determining withholding Taxes imposed under FATCA, from and after the Effective Date, the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent shall treat (and the Lenders hereby authorize the Administrative Agent to treat) this Agreement as not qualifying as a "grandfathered obligation" within the meaning of Treasury Regulation Section 1.14712(b)(2)(i).

Each Lender agrees that if any form or certification it previously delivered expires or becomes obsolete or inaccurate in any respect, it shall update such form or certification or promptly notify the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent in writing of its legal inability to do so.

refund of any Taxes as to which it has been indemnified pursuant to this Section 2.16 (including by the payment of additional amounts pursuant to this Section 2.16), it shall pay to the indemnifying party an amount equal to such refund (but only to the extent of indemnity payments made under this Section 2.16 with respect to the Taxes giving rise to such refund), net of all out-of-pocket expenses (including Taxes) of such indemnified party and without interest (other than any interest paid by the relevant Governmental Authority with respect to such refund). Such indemnifying party, upon the request of such indemnified party, shall repay to such indemnified party the amount paid over pursuant to this paragraph (g) (plus any penalties, interest or other charges imposed by the relevant Governmental Authority) in the event that such indemnified party is required to repay such refund to such Governmental Authority. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this paragraph (g), in no event will the indemnified party be required to pay any amount to an indemnifying party pursuant to this paragraph (g) the payment of which would place the indemnified party in a less favorable net after-Tax position than the indemnified party would have been in if the Tax subject to indemnification and giving rise to such refund had not been deducted, withheld or otherwise imposed and the indemnification payments or additional amounts giving rise to such refund had never been paid. This paragraph (g) shall not be construed to require any indemnified party to make available its Tax returns (or any other information relating to its Taxes that it deems confidential) to the indemnifying party or any other Person.

- (h) <u>Survival</u>. Each party's obligations under this <u>Section 2.16</u> shall survive the resignation or replacement of the Administrative Agent or any assignment of rights by, or the replacement of, a Lender, the termination of the Commitments and the repayment, satisfaction or discharge of all obligations under any Loan Document (including the satisfaction of all or any one or more of the elements of the definition of "Payment in Full" in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document).
- (i) <u>Defined Terms</u>. For purposes of this <u>Section 2.16</u>, the term "Lender" includes any Issuing Bank and the term "applicable law" includes FATCA.

SECTION 2.17. <u>Payments Generally; Allocation of Proceeds; Sharing of Set-offs.</u>

- The Borrowers shall make each payment required to be made by it hereunder (whether of principal, interest, fees or reimbursement of LC Disbursements, or of amounts payable under Sections 2.14, 2.15 or 2.16, or otherwise) (x) in the case of payments denominated in Dollars, at the Administrative Agent's office and in immediately available funds, without set-off or counterclaim, not later than 2:00 p.m. Local Time on the date specified herein and (y) in the case of payments denominated in a Foreign Currency, at its Foreign Currency Payment Office for such Foreign Currency, and in immediately available funds, without set-off or counterclaim, not later than 2:00 p.m. Local Time on the date specified herein; provided, that payments to be made directly to the Issuing Bank or Swingline Lender as expressly provided herein and except that payments pursuant to Sections 2.14, 2.15, 2.16 and 10.03 shall be made directly to the Persons entitled thereto. Any amounts received after such time on any date may, in the discretion of the Administrative Agent, be deemed to have been received on the next succeeding Business Day for purposes of calculating interest thereon. The Administrative Agent shall distribute any such payments received by it for the account of any other Person to the appropriate recipient promptly following receipt thereof. If any payment hereunder shall be due on a day that is not a Business Day, the date for payment shall be extended to the next succeeding Business Day, and, in the case of any payment accruing interest, interest thereon shall be payable for the period of such extension. All payments hereunder of principal or interest in respect of any Loan shall, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, be made in the currency of such Loan, and all other LC Disbursements or other payments hereunder and under each other Loan Document shall be made in Dollars. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section, if, after the making of any Borrowing in any Foreign Currency, currency control or exchange regulations are imposed in the country which issues such Foreign Currency with the result that such Foreign Currency no longer exists or the Borrowers are not able to make payment to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders in such Foreign Currency, then all payments to be made by the Borrowers hereunder in such Foreign Currency shall instead be made when due in an equivalent amount of the currency that replaced such Foreign Currency or, if no such replacement currency exists, in Dollars in an amount equal to the Dollar Amount (as of the date of repayment) of such payment due, it being the intention of the parties hereto that the Borrowers take all risks of the imposition of any such currency control or exchange regulations.
- (b) Any proceeds of Collateral received by the Administrative Agent (i) not constituting either (A) a specific payment of principal, interest, fees or other sum payable under the Loan Documents (which shall be applied as specified by the Borrowers), or (B) a mandatory prepayment (which shall be applied in accordance with Section 2.10) or (ii) after an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing and the Administrative Agent so elects or the Required Lenders so direct, shall be applied ratably *first*, to pay any fees, indemnities, or expense reimbursements then due to the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank from the Borrowers (other than in connection with Banking Services Obligations or Swap Agreement Obligations), *second*, to pay any fees, indemnitees, or expense

reimbursements then due to the Lenders from the Borrowers (other than in connection with Banking Services Obligations or Swap Agreement Obligations), *third*, to pay interest then due and payable on the Loans ratably, *fourth*, to prepay principal on the Loans and unreimbursed LC Disbursements and to pay any amounts owing in respect of Swap Agreement Obligations and Banking Services Obligations up to and including the amount most recently provided to the Administrative Agent pursuant to <u>Section 2.20</u>, ratably, *fifth*, to pay an amount to the Administrative Agent equal to one hundred five percent (105%) of the aggregate LC Exposure, to be held as Cash Collateral for such Obligations, and *sixth*, to the payment of any other Secured Obligation due to any Secured Party from the Borrowers or any other Loan Party and their Subsidiaries. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Agreement, unless so directed by the Borrower Representative, or unless a Default is in existence, neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall apply any payment which it receives to any Eurocurrency Loan of a Class, except (i) on the expiration date of the Interest Period applicable thereto, or (ii) in the event, and only to the extent, that there are no outstanding ABR Loans of the same Class and, in any such event, the Borrowers shall pay the break funding payment required in accordance with <u>Section 2.15</u>. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders shall have the continuing and exclusive right to apply and reverse and reapply any and all such proceeds and payments to any portion of the Secured Obligations.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, Secured Obligations arising under Banking Services Obligations or Swap Agreement Obligations shall be excluded from the application described above and paid in clause sixth if the Administrative Agent has not received written notice thereof, together with such supporting documentation as the Administrative Agent may have reasonably requested from the applicable provider of such Banking Services or Swap Agreements.

- (c) At the election of the Administrative Agent after and during the continuation of an Event of Default, all payments of principal, interest, LC Disbursements, fees, premiums, reimbursable expenses (including, without limitation, all reimbursement for fees, costs and expenses pursuant to Section 10.03), and other sums payable under the Loan Documents, may be paid from the proceeds of Borrowings made hereunder, whether made following a request by the Borrower Representative pursuant to Section 2.03 or 2.04 or a deemed request as provided in this Section or may be deducted from any deposit account of the Borrowers maintained with the Administrative Agent. The Borrowers hereby irrevocably authorize (i) the Administrative Agent to make a Borrowing for the purpose of paying each payment of principal, interest and fees as it becomes due hereunder or any other amount due under the Loan Documents and agree that all such amounts charged shall constitute Loans (including Swingline Loans), and that all such Borrowings shall be deemed to have been requested pursuant to Sections 2.03 or 2.04, as applicable, and (ii) the Administrative Agent to charge any deposit account of any Borrower maintained with the Administrative Agent for each payment of principal, interest and fees as it becomes due hereunder or any other amount due under the Loan Documents. The Borrowers, Lenders, Issuing Banks and Swingline Lenders hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, in its sole discretion as of any date from time to time, to convert as of such date any payment received by it in any Agreed Currency or to be made by it in any Agreed Currency into the equivalent amount (using the methodology of the Dollar Amount) of any another Agreed Currency, in each case to effectuate any one or more of the provisions of this Agreement.
- (d) If, except as otherwise expressly provided herein, any Lender shall, by exercising any right of set-off or counterclaim or otherwise, obtain payment in respect of any principal of or interest on any of its Loans or participations in LC Disbursements resulting in such Lender receiving payment of a greater proportion of the aggregate amount of its Loans and participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans and accrued interest thereon than the proportion received by any other similarly situated Lender, then the Lender receiving such greater proportion shall purchase (for cash at face value)

participations in the Loans and participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans of other Lenders to the extent necessary so that the benefit of all such payments shall be shared by all such Lenders ratably in accordance with the aggregate amount of principal of and accrued interest on their respective Loans and participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans; provided that (i) if any such participations are purchased and all or any portion of the payment giving rise thereto is recovered, such participations shall be rescinded and the purchase price restored to the extent of such recovery, without interest, and (ii) the provisions of this paragraph shall not be construed to apply to any payment made by the Borrowers pursuant to and in accordance with the express terms of this Agreement or any payment obtained by a Lender as consideration for the assignment or sale of a participation in any of its Loans or participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans to any assignee or participant, other than to the Borrowers or any Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof (as to which the provisions of this paragraph shall apply). Each Borrower consents to the foregoing and agrees, to the extent it may effectively do so under applicable law, that any Lender acquiring a participation pursuant to the foregoing arrangements may exercise against such Borrower rights of set-off and counterclaim with respect to such participation as fully as if such Lender were a direct creditor of such Borrower in the amount of such participation.

- (e) Unless the Administrative Agent shall have received notice from the Borrower Representative prior to the date on which any payment is due to the Administrative Agent for the account of the Lenders or the Issuing Bank hereunder that the Borrowers will not make such payment, the Administrative Agent may assume that the Borrowers have made such payment on such date in accordance herewith and may, in reliance upon such assumption, distribute to the Lenders or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, the amount due. In such event, if the Borrowers have not in fact made such payment, then each of the Lenders or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, severally agrees to repay to the Administrative Agent forthwith on demand the amount so distributed to such Lender or Issuing Bank with interest thereon, for each day from and including the date such amount is distributed to it to but excluding the date of payment to the Administrative Agent, at the greater of the Federal Funds Effective Rate and a rate determined by the Administrative Agent in accordance with banking industry rules on interbank compensation (including without limitation the Overnight Foreign Currency Rate in the case of Loans denominated in a Foreign Currency).
- (f) If any Lender shall fail to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to $\underline{Section~2.04}$, $\underline{2.05(d)}$ or $\underline{(e)}$, $\underline{2.06(b)}$, $\underline{2.17(e)}$ or 10.03(c), then the Administrative Agent may, in its discretion (notwithstanding any contrary provision hereof), (i) apply any amounts thereafter received by the Administrative Agent for the account of such Lender, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank to satisfy such Lender's obligations under such Sections until all such unsatisfied obligations are fully paid and/or (ii) hold any such amounts in a segregated account as Cash Collateral for, and application to, any future funding obligations of such Lender under such Sections. Application of amounts pursuant to $\underline{\text{clauses}(\underline{f})(\underline{i})}$ of this $\underline{\text{Section 2.17}}$ shall be made in such order as may be determined by the Administrative Agent in its discretion.
- (g) The Administrative Agent may from time to time provide the Borrowers with account statements or invoices with respect to any of the Secured Obligations (the "Statements"). The Administrative Agent is under no duty or obligation to provide Statements, which, if provided, will be solely for the Borrowers' convenience. Statements may contain estimates of the amounts owed during the relevant billing period, whether of principal, interest, fees or other Secured Obligations. If the Borrowers pay the full amount indicated on a Statement on or before the due date indicated on such Statement, the Borrowers shall not be in default of payment with respect to the billing period indicated on such Statement; provided, that acceptance by the Administrative Agent, on behalf of the Lenders, of any payment that is less than the total amount actually due at that time (including but not limited to any past

due amounts) shall not constitute a waiver of the Administrative Agent's or the Lenders' right to receive payment in full at another time.

SECTION 2.18. <u>Mitigation Obligations; Replacement of Lenders</u>.

- (a) If any Lender requests compensation under <u>Section 2.14</u>, or if the Borrowers are required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to <u>Section 2.16</u>, then such Lender shall use reasonable efforts to designate a different lending office for funding or booking its Loans hereunder or to assign its rights and obligations hereunder to another of its offices, branches or affiliates, if, in the judgment of such Lender, such designation or assignment (i) would eliminate or reduce amounts payable pursuant to <u>Sections 2.14</u> or <u>2.16</u>, as the case may be, in the future and (ii) would not subject such Lender to any unreimbursed cost or expense and would not otherwise be disadvantageous to such Lender. The Borrowers hereby agree to pay all reasonable costs and expenses incurred by any Lender in connection with any such designation or assignment.
- (b) If any Lender requests compensation under Section 2.14, or if the Borrowers are required to pay any Indemnified Taxes or additional amounts to any Lender or any Governmental Authority for the account of any Lender pursuant to Section 2.16, or if Lender has delivered a notice pursuant to Section 2.13(c) with respect to Dollars, Canadian Dollars, Euro or Pounds Sterling only, or if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the Borrowers may, at their sole expense and effort, upon notice to such Lender and the Administrative Agent, require such Lender to assign and delegate, without recourse (in accordance with and subject to the restrictions contained in Section 10.04), all its interests, rights (other than its existing rights to payments pursuant to Sections 2.14 or 2.16) and obligations under this Agreement and other Loan Documents to an assignee that shall assume such obligations (which assignee may be another Lender, if a Lender accepts such assignment); provided that (i) the Borrowers shall have received the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent (and in circumstances where its consent would be required under Section 10.04, the Issuing Bank and the Swingline Lender), which consent shall not unreasonably be withheld, (ii) such Lender shall have received payment of an amount equal to the outstanding principal of its Loans and funded participations in LC Disbursements and Swingline Loans, accrued interest thereon, accrued fees and all other amounts payable to it hereunder, from the assignee (to the extent of such outstanding principal and accrued interest and fees) or the Borrowers (in the case of all other amounts) and (iii) in the case of any such assignment resulting from a claim for compensation under Section 2.14 or payments required to be made pursuant to Section 2.16, such assignment will result in a reduction in such compensation or payments. A Lender shall not be required to make any such assignment and delegation if, prior thereto, as a result of a waiver by such Lender or otherwise, the circumstances entitling the Borrowers to require such assignment and delegation cease to apply.

SECTION 2.19. <u>Defaulting Lenders</u>.

Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, if any Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender, then the following provisions shall apply for so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender:

(a) fees shall cease to accrue on the unfunded portion of the Revolving Commitment of such Defaulting Lender pursuant to Section 2.11(a);

- (b) such Defaulting Lender shall not have the right to vote on any issue on which voting is required (other than to the extent expressly provided in Section 10.02(b)) and the Commitment and Revolving Exposure of such Defaulting Lender shall not be included in determining whether the Required Lenders have taken or may take any action hereunder or under any other Loan Document; provided that, except as otherwise provided in Section 10.02, this clause (b) shall not apply to the vote of a Defaulting Lender in the case of an amendment, waiver or other modification requiring the consent of such Lender or each Lender directly affected thereby;
 - (c) if any Swingline Exposure or LC Exposure exists at the time such Lender becomes a Defaulting Lender then:
- (i) all or any part of the Swingline Exposure and LC Exposure of such Defaulting Lender (other than the portion of such Swingline Exposure referred to in <u>clause (b)</u> of the definition of such term) shall be reallocated among the non-Defaulting Lenders in accordance with their respective Applicable Percentages but only (x) to the extent that the conditions set forth in <u>Section 4.02</u> are satisfied at the time of such reallocation (and, unless any Borrower shall have otherwise notified the Administrative Agent at such time, the Borrowers shall be deemed to have represented and warranted that such conditions are satisfied at such time) and (y) to the extent that such reallocation does not, as to any non-Defaulting Lender, cause such non-Defaulting Lender's Revolving Exposures to exceed its Revolving Commitments;
- (ii) if the reallocation described in <u>clause (i)</u> of this <u>Section 2.19(c)</u> cannot, or can only partially, be effected, the Borrowers shall within one (1) Business Day following notice by the Administrative Agent (x) first, prepay such Swingline Exposure and (y) second, Cash Collateralize, for the benefit of the Issuing Bank, the Borrowers' obligations corresponding to such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure (after giving effect to any partial reallocation pursuant to <u>clause (i)</u> of this <u>Section 2.19(c)</u>) in accordance with the procedures set forth in <u>Section 2.05(j)</u> for so long as such LC Exposure is outstanding;
- (iii) if the Borrowers Cash Collateralize any portion of such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure pursuant to <u>clause (ii)</u> of this <u>Section 2.19(c)</u>, the Borrowers shall not be required to pay any fees to such Defaulting Lender pursuant to <u>Section 2.11(b)</u> with respect to such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure during the period such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure is Cash Collateralized;
- (iv) if the LC Exposure of the non-Defaulting Lenders is reallocated pursuant to $\underline{\text{clause (i)}}$ of this $\underline{\text{Section 2.19(c)}}$, then the fees payable to the Lenders pursuant to $\underline{\text{Sections 2.11(a)}}$ and $\underline{\text{2.11(b)}}$ shall be adjusted in accordance with such non-Defaulting Lenders' Applicable Percentages; and
- (v) if all or any portion of such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure is neither reallocated nor Cash Collateralized pursuant to clause (i) or (ii) of this Section 2.19(c), then, without prejudice to any rights or remedies of the Issuing Bank or any other Lender hereunder, all letter of credit fees payable under Section 2.11(b) with respect to such Defaulting Lender's LC Exposure shall be payable to the Issuing Bank until and to the extent that such LC Exposure is reallocated and/or Cash Collateralized; and
- (d) so long as such Lender is a Defaulting Lender, the Swingline Lender shall not be required to fund any Swingline Loan and the Issuing Bank shall not be required to issue, amend, renew, extend or increase any Letter of Credit, unless it is satisfied that the related exposure and such Defaulting Lender's then outstanding LC Exposure will be 100% covered by the Commitments of the non-Defaulting Lenders and/or Cash Collateral will be provided by the Borrowers in accordance with Section 2.19(c),

and Swingline Exposure related to any such newly made Swingline Loan or newly issued or increased Letter of Credit shall be allocated among non-Defaulting Lenders in a manner consistent with $\underbrace{Section\ 2.19(c)(i)}_{}$ (and such Defaulting Lender shall not participate therein).

If (i) a Bankruptcy Event or a Bail-In Action with respect to the Parent of any Lender shall occur following the date hereof and for so long as such event shall continue or (ii) the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank has a good faith belief that any Lender has defaulted in fulfilling its obligations under one or more other agreements in which such Lender commits to extend credit, the Swingline Lender shall not be required to fund any Swingline Loan and the Issuing Bank shall not be required to issue, amend or increase any Letter of Credit, unless the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, shall have entered into arrangements with the Borrowers or such Lender, satisfactory to the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be, to defease any risk to it in respect of such Lender hereunder.

In the event that each of the Administrative Agent, the CSW Borrower, the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank agrees that a Defaulting Lender has adequately remedied all matters that caused such Lender to be a Defaulting Lender, then the Swingline Exposure and LC Exposure of the Lenders shall be readjusted to reflect the inclusion of such Lender's Revolving Commitment and on the date of such readjustment such Lender shall purchase at par such of the Loans of the other Lenders (other than Swingline Loans) as the Administrative Agent shall determine may be necessary in order for such Lender to hold such Loans in accordance with its Applicable Percentage.

SECTION 2.20. <u>Returned Payments</u>. If, after receipt of any payment which is applied to the payment of all or any part of the Obligations (including a payment effected through exercise of a right of setoff), the Administrative Agent or any Lender is for any reason compelled to surrender such payment or proceeds to any Person because such payment or application of proceeds is invalidated, declared fraudulent, set aside, determined to be void or voidable as a preference, impermissible setoff, or a diversion of trust funds, or for any other reason (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by the Administrative Agent or such Lender in its discretion), then the Obligations or part thereof intended to be satisfied shall be revived and continued and this Agreement shall continue in full force as if such payment or proceeds had not been received by the Administrative Agent or such Lender. The provisions of this <u>Section 2.20</u> shall be and remain effective notwithstanding any contrary action which may have been taken by the Administrative Agent or any Lender in reliance upon such payment or application of proceeds. The provisions of this <u>Section 2.20</u> shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 2.21. Extension Offers.

(a) The Borrower Representative may, by written notice to the Administrative Agent from time to time, request an extension (each, an "Extension") of the maturity date of Revolving Commitments (but specifically not including Swingline Loans) to the extended maturity date specified in such notice. Such notice shall (i) set forth the amount of the Revolving Commitments that will be subject to the Extension, provided that no Class of Extended Revolving Commitments shall be in an amount less than the lesser of (A) 75% of the then outstanding Revolving Commitments or (B) \$10,000,000 (each amount in clause (i) of this Section 2.21(a), the "Minimum Tranche Amount"), unless such Minimum Tranche Amount is waived by the Administrative Agent and (ii) set forth the date on which such Extension is requested to become effective (which shall be not less than ten (10) Business Days nor more than sixty (60) days after the date of such Extension notice (or such longer or shorter periods as the Administrative Agent shall agree in its sole discretion)). Each Lender of the applicable Class shall be offered (an "Extension Offer") an opportunity to participate in such Extension on a pro rata basis and on the same terms and conditions as each other Lender of such Class pursuant to procedures established by,

or reasonably acceptable to, the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers. If the aggregate principal amount of Revolving Commitments in respect of which Lenders shall have accepted the relevant Extension Offer shall exceed the maximum aggregate principal amount of Revolving Commitments subject to the Extension Offer as set forth in the Extension notice, then the Revolving Commitments of Lenders of the applicable Class shall be extended ratably up to such maximum amount based on the respective principal amounts with respect to which such Lenders have accepted such Extension Offer. The election of any Lender to agree to participate in such Extension shall not obligate any other Lender to so agree.

- (b) The following shall be conditions precedent to the effectiveness of any Extension: (i) no Default shall have occurred and be continuing immediately prior to and immediately after giving effect to such Extension, (ii) the representations and warranties set forth in Article III and in each other Loan Document shall be deemed to be made and shall be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the effective date of such Extension, (iii) the Issuing Bank and the Swingline Lender shall have consented to any Extension of the Revolving Commitments, to the extent that such Extension provides for the issuance or extension of Letters of Credit or making of Swingline Loans at any time during the extended period and (iv) the terms of such Extended Revolving Commitments shall comply with <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section.
- (c) The terms of each Extension shall be determined by the Borrowers and the applicable extending Lenders and set forth in an Extension Amendment; provided that (i) the final maturity date of any Extended Revolving Commitment shall be no earlier than the Revolving Credit Maturity Date, (ii) there shall be no scheduled amortization of the loans or reductions of commitments under any Extended Revolving Commitments, (iii) the Extended Revolving Loans will rank pari passu in right of payment and with respect to security with the existing Revolving Loans and the borrowers and guarantors of the Extended Revolving Commitments shall be the same as the Borrowers and Guarantors with respect to the existing Revolving Loans, (iv) the interest rate margin, rate floors, fees, original issue discount and premium applicable to any Extended Revolving Commitment (and the Extended Revolving Loans thereunder) shall be determined by the Borrowers and the applicable extending Lenders, (v)(A) the Extended Revolving Loans may participate on a pro rata or less than pro rata (but not greater than pro rata) basis in voluntary or mandatory prepayments with the other Revolving Loans and (B) borrowing and prepayment of Extended Revolving Loans, or reductions of Extended Revolving Commitments, and participation in Letters of Credit and Swingline Loans, shall be on a pro rata basis with the other Revolving Loans or Revolving Commitments (other than upon the maturity of the non-extended Revolving Loans and Revolving Commitments) and (vi) the terms of the Extended Revolving Commitments shall be substantially identical to the terms set forth herein (except as set forth in clauses (i) through (y) of this Section 2.21(c)).
- (d) In connection with any Extension, the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent and each applicable extending Lender shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent an Extension Amendment and such other documentation as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably specify to evidence the Extension. The Administrative Agent shall promptly notify each Lender as to the effectiveness of each Extension. Any Extension Amendment may, without the consent of any other Lender, effect such amendments to this Agreement and the other Loan Documents as may be necessary or appropriate, in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers, to implement the terms of any such Extension, including any amendments necessary to establish Extended Revolving Commitments as a new Class or tranche of Revolving Commitments and such other technical amendments as may be necessary or appropriate in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers in connection with the establishment of such new Class or tranche (including to

preserve the pro rata treatment of the extended and non-extended Classes or tranches and to provide for the reallocation of Revolving Exposure upon the expiration or termination of the commitments under any Class or tranche), in each case on terms consistent with this Section.

SECTION 2.22. <u>Determination of Dollar Amounts</u>. The Administrative Agent will determine the aggregate Foreign Currency Exposure (and each Dollar Amount component thereof):

- (a) as of the date two Business Days prior to the date of any Borrowing of a Eurocurrency Loan in a Foreign Currency or, if applicable, the date of conversion to or any continuation of any Borrowing as a Eurocurrency Loan in a Foreign Currency,
- (b) as of the date of each request for the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit in a Foreign Currency,
- (c) as of the last Business Day of each calendar quarter and on any other Business Day elected by the Administrative Agent in its discretion or upon instruction by the Required Lenders, and
 - (d) as of any date any LC Disbursement is made in a Foreign Currency by the Issuing Bank.

Each day upon or as of which the Administrative Agent determines the Dollar Amounts as described in the preceding <u>clauses</u> is herein described as a "<u>Computation Date</u>" with respect to each Borrowing, Letter of Credit or LC Exposure for which a Dollar Amount is determined on or as of such day.

SECTION 2.23. <u>Judgment Currency</u>. If, for the purposes of obtaining judgment in any court, it is necessary to convert a sum due from the Loan Parties hereunder in the currency expressed to be payable herein (the "<u>specified currency</u>") into another currency, the parties hereto agree, to the fullest extent that they may effectively do so, that the rate of exchange used shall be that at which the Administrative Agent could, in accordance with normal banking procedures applicable to arm's length transactions, purchase the specified currency with such other currency at the Administrative Agent's main New York City office on the Business Day immediately preceding that on which final, non-appealable judgment is given. The obligations of the Loan Parties in respect of any sum due to any Credit Party hereunder shall, notwithstanding any judgment in a currency other than the specified currency, be discharged only to the extent that on the Business Day following receipt by such Credit Party of any sum adjudged to be so due in such other currency such Credit Party may in accordance with normal, reasonable banking procedures purchase the specified currency with such other currency. If the amount of the specified currency so purchased is less than the sum originally due to such Credit Party in the specified currency, the Borrowers agree, to the fullest extent that they may effectively do so, as a separate obligation and notwithstanding any such judgment, to indemnify such Credit Party against such loss, and if the amount of the specified currency so purchased exceeds (a) the sum originally due to any Credit Party in the specified currency and (b) any amounts shared with other Lenders as a result of allocations of such excess as a disproportionate payment to such Lender under Section 2.17, such Credit Party agrees to remit such excess to the Borrowers.

ARTICLE III

Representations and Warranties

In order to induce the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders to enter into this Agreement and to make Loans and issue Letters of Credit hereunder, each Loan Party represents and warrants to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders that (and where applicable, agrees):

SECTION 3.01. <u>Organization; Powers</u>. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction of its organization, has all requisite power and authority to carry on its business as now conducted and, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect, is qualified to do business in, and is in good standing in, every jurisdiction where such qualification is required.

SECTION 3.02. <u>Authorization; Enforceability.</u> The Transactions to be entered into by each Loan Party are within such Loan Party's corporate powers and have been duly authorized by all necessary corporate and, if required, Equity Interest holder action. Each Loan Document to which any Loan Party is to be a party, when executed and delivered by such Loan Party, will constitute, a legal, valid and binding obligation of such Loan Party, enforceable in accordance with its terms, subject to applicable bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, moratorium or other laws affecting creditors' rights generally and subject to general principles of equity, regardless of whether considered in a proceeding in equity or at law.

SECTION 3.03. Governmental Approvals; No Conflicts. The Transactions (a) do not require any consent or approval of, registration or filing with, or any other action by, any Governmental Authority, except such as have been obtained or made and are in full force and effect and except filings necessary to perfect Liens created under the Loan Documents, (b) will not materially violate any material applicable law or regulation or the charter, partnership agreement, limited liability company agreement, operating agreement, by-laws or other organizational documents of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or any material order of any Governmental Authority, (c) will not materially violate or result in a material default under any indenture, material agreement or other material instrument binding upon any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or the assets of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or give rise to a right thereunder to require any material payment to be made by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, and (d) will not result in the creation or imposition of any Lien on any asset of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, except Liens created under the Loan Documents.

SECTION 3.04. Financial Condition; No Material Adverse Change.

(a) <u>Financial Statements Delivered</u>. The Company has heretofore furnished to the Lenders its consolidated balance sheet and statements of income, stockholders equity and comprehensive income and cash flows (i) as of and for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2017, reported on by independent public accountants, and (ii) as of and for the fiscal quarter and the portion of the fiscal year ended June 30, 2017. Such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position and results of operations and cash flows of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries as of such dates and for such periods in accordance with GAAP, subject to year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes in the case of the statements referred to in <u>clause (ii)</u> of this <u>Section 3.04(a)</u>.

- (b) <u>Material Contingent Liabilities</u>. Except as disclosed in the financial statements referred to in <u>Section 3.04(a)</u> or the notes thereto, after giving effect to the Transactions, none of the Company or its Subsidiaries has any contingent liabilities, unusual long-term commitments or unrealized losses that in the aggregate could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) <u>Projections</u>. The Company has heretofore furnished to the Lenders its forecasted consolidated and consolidating projections, which shall be in form and substance acceptable to the Administrative Agent.
- (d) <u>No Material Adverse Change</u>. Since March 31, 2017, there has been no material adverse change in the business, assets, operations or financial condition, of the Company and its Subsidiaries, taken as a whole.

SECTION 3.05. Properties, Etc.

- (a) <u>Title</u>. Each of the Loan Parties and each Subsidiary has good title to, or valid leasehold interests in, all its real and personal property material to its business (including the Real Property), except for minor defects in title that do not materially interfere with its ability to conduct its business as currently conducted or to utilize such properties for their intended purposes and are permitted by <u>Section 6.02</u> hereto. No Loan Party owns or leases any real property other than the Real Property described on <u>Schedule 3.05</u> hereto. The only real property owned by the Loan Parties for investment purposes is identified as such on <u>Schedule 3.05</u> hereto.
- (b) <u>Intellectual Property</u>. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary owns, or is licensed to use, all trademarks, tradenames, copyrights, patents and other intellectual property material to its business, and the use thereof by each Loan Party and each Subsidiary does not infringe upon the rights of any other Person, except for any such infringements that, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- (c) <u>Real Property</u>. As of the Effective Date, none of the Loan Parties nor any Subsidiary has received notice of, or has actual knowledge of, any pending or contemplated condemnation proceeding affecting any Real Property or any sale or disposition thereof in lieu of condemnation.
- (d) <u>License and Permits</u>. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary possesses all licenses, permits, accreditations, eligibilities, certifications, franchises or rights thereto necessary to conduct its business substantially as now conducted and is not in violation of any valid rights of others with respect to any of the foregoing, except for such non-possession or violation of rights that could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- SECTION 3.06. <u>Litigation and Environmental Matters</u>. There are no actions, suits or proceedings by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority pending against or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened against or affecting any Loan Party or any Subsidiary (i) as to which there is a reasonable possibility of an adverse determination and that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect or (ii) that challenge the validity, enforceability or effectiveness of any of the Loan Documents or the Transactions. Except as could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect, neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary: (i) has failed to comply with any Environmental Law or to obtain, maintain or comply with any permit, license or other approval required under any Environmental Law, (ii) has become subject to any Environmental Liability, (iii) has received notice of any claim with respect to any Environmental Liability, (iv) knows of any basis for any Environmental Liability, nor (v) is

subject to any existing, pending or threatened governmental investigation pertaining to the Real Property, or to any remedial obligation or lien under or in connection with any Environmental Law. On the Effective Date, except as to matters, or as to matters which in the aggregate could not reasonably be expected to exceed \$2,000,000 in claims or liability, no Loan Party has any actual knowledge or notice of the presence or release of Hazardous Materials in, on or around any part of the Real Property or the soil, groundwater or soil vapor on or under the Real Property, or the migration of any Hazardous Material, from or to any other property in the vicinity of the Real Property in violation of Environmental Law. After the Effective Date, except as could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to result in a Material Adverse Effect, neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary has any actual knowledge or notice of the presence or release of Hazardous Materials in, on or around any part of the Real Property or the soil, groundwater or soil vapor on or under the Real Property, or the migration of any Hazardous Material, from or to any other property in the vicinity of the Real Property in violation of Environmental Law.

SECTION 3.07. <u>Compliance with Laws and Agreements; No Default</u>. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary is in compliance with all laws, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority applicable to it or its property and all indentures, agreements and other instruments binding upon it or its property, except where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. No Default exists.

SECTION 3.08 <u>Investment Company Status</u>. Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary is an "investment company" as defined in, or subject to regulation under, the Investment Company Act of 1940.

SECTION 3.09. <u>Taxes</u>. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary has timely filed or caused to be filed all Tax returns and reports required to have been filed and has paid or caused to be paid all Taxes required to have been paid by it, except (a) Taxes that are being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings and for which such Loan Party or such Subsidiary, as applicable, has set aside on its books adequate reserves or (b) to the extent that the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.10 <u>Employee Benefit Plans; ERISA</u>. Each employee benefit plan sponsored by a Loan Party or in which the employees of a Loan Party participate (including each Plan and the ESOP), which is intended to be qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code has received a current favorable determination letter or opinion letter from the IRS and complies in form and in operation, with the requirements of Section 401(a) of the Code, the relevant provisions of ERISA, and any other applicable laws, rules, and regulations, except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to subject the applicable Plan, trust or any Loan Party to liability in excess of \$1,500,000 under the Code, ERISA or any other applicable laws, rules, and regulations. Each such employee benefit plan (including each Plan) has been duly established in accordance with, and under, applicable law, and the trust under each Plan is a tax-exempt trust under Section 501(a) of the Code. Except as disclosed on Schedule 3.10, neither any Loan Party nor any ERISA Affiliate is now (nor have any such entities, within the last six years been) a participating or contributing employer in any Multiemployer Plan, "defined benefit plan" (as defined in Section 3 (35) of ERISA), "multiple employer welfare arrangement" (as defined in Section 3 (40) of ERISA), or an employee benefit plan that is subject to Title IV or Section 302 of ERISA or Section 412 or 4971 of the Code. As of the date of this Agreement, the Borrower Representative has made available to the Lenders and the Administrative Agent a copy of the most recent actuarial report for any Plan which includes such Plan's funded status determined in accordance with the requirements of ASC 715 of GAAP. Each Plan is in compliance with Section 436 of the Code and there is no security in place provided

thereunder by a Loan Party or any ERISA Affiliate. Except as disclosed on Schedule 3.10, neither any Loan Party nor any ERISA Affiliate has any liability with respect to the withdrawal or partial withdrawal of the Company, any Borrower or any ERISA Affiliate from any Multiemployer Plan. Neither any Loan Party, nor any trustee, administrator, party in interest, disqualified person, or fiduciary of any employee benefit plan sponsored by a Loan Party or in which the employees of a Loan Party participate (including any Plan and the ESOP), has engaged in a non-exempt "prohibited transaction," as that term is defined in Section 4975 of the Code or Section 406 of ERISA, which could directly or indirectly subject the applicable Plan, trust or any Loan Party to liability in excess of \$1,500,000 under the Code or ERISA. As of the Effective Date, no Loan Party has any material obligation to provide post-employment healthcare coverage to any current or former employee other than continuation coverage mandated under Section 601 et. seq. of ERISA, Section 4980B of the Code, or similar state laws. After the Effective Date, no Loan Party has any material obligation to provide post-employment healthcare coverage to any current or former employee other than continuation coverage mandated under Section 601 et. seq. of ERISA, Section 4980B of the Code, or similar state laws, which could reasonably be expected to result in an Material Adverse Effect. Except as disclosed on Schedule 3.10, no ERISA Event has occurred in the six years preceding the Effective Date and no Loan Party is aware of any circumstance or event which could reasonably be expected to result in an ERISA Event, which in either case could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.11 <u>ESOP Matters</u>. The ESOP is an "employee stock ownership plan" within the meaning of Section 4975(e)(7) of the Code and fully satisfies in form and operation, all relevant provisions of the Code, including the requirements of Section 409 of the Code, except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to subject the ESOP or any Loan Party to liability in excess of \$1,500,000 under the Code, ERISA or any other applicable laws, rules, and regulations. The ESOP has been duly established in accordance with, and under, applicable law, and the ESOP trust is a tax-exempt trust under Section 501(a) of the Code. The securities of the Company held by the ESOP will be employer securities that are readily tradable on an established securities market within the meaning of Section 409(l)(1) of the Code.

SECTION 3.12. <u>Disclosure</u>. The Loan Parties have disclosed to the Lenders all agreements, instruments and corporate or other restrictions to which any Loan Party or any Subsidiary is subject, and all other matters known to any of them, that, individually or in the aggregate, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. None of the reports, financial statements, certificates or other information furnished by or on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary to the Administrative Agent or any Lender in connection with the negotiation of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or delivered hereunder or thereunder (as modified or supplemented by other information so furnished) contains any material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; provided that, with respect to projected financial information, the Loan Parties represent only that such information was prepared in good faith based upon assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time.

SECTION 3.13. Subsidiaries.

(a) As of the Effective Date, the Company has no Subsidiaries other than those listed on <u>Schedule 3.13</u> hereto. <u>Schedule 3.13</u> sets forth, as of the Effective Date, the jurisdiction of incorporation or organization of each such Subsidiary, the percentage of the Company's ownership of the outstanding Equity Interests of each Subsidiary directly owned by the Company, the percentage of each Subsidiary's

ownership of the outstanding Equity Interests of each other Subsidiary and the authorized, issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the Company and each Subsidiary.

- (b) All of the outstanding capital stock of the Company and each Subsidiary has been validly issued, is fully paid, and is nonassessable. Except as permitted to be issued or created pursuant to the terms hereof or as reflected on Schedule 3.13, there are no outstanding subscriptions, options, warrants, calls, or rights (including preemptive rights) to acquire, and no outstanding securities or instruments convertible into any Equity Interests of the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary. The Company directly or indirectly, owns 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of the CSW Borrower, the Whitmore Borrower and each of the other Subsidiaries.
- SECTION 3.14. <u>Insurance</u>. Each Loan Party and each Subsidiary maintains with financially sound and reputable insurers, insurance with respect to its properties and business against such casualties and contingencies and in such amounts as are required by <u>Section 5.06</u> hereto and as are otherwise usually carried by businesses engaged in similar activities as the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries and located in similar geographic areas in which the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries operate.
- SECTION 3.15. <u>Labor Matters</u>. As of the Effective Date, there are no strikes, lockouts or slowdowns against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary pending or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened. After the Effective Date, there are no strikes, lockouts or slowdowns against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary pending or, to the knowledge of any Loan Party, threatened, that could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. The hours worked by and payments made to employees of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries have not been in violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act or any other applicable federal, state, local or foreign law dealing with such matters except where failure to comply could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. As of the Effective Date, all material payments due from any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, on account of wages and employee health and welfare insurance and other benefits, have been paid or accrued as a liability on the books of such Loan Party or such Subsidiary, on account of wages and employee health and welfare insurance and other benefits, have been paid or accrued as a liability on the books of such Loan Party or such Subsidiary except where the failure to do so could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.
- SECTION 3.16. <u>Margin Securities</u>. Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary is engaged principally, or as one of its important activities, in the business of extending credit for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock (within the meaning of Regulations U or X of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System), and no part of the proceeds of any Loan will be used to purchase or carry any margin stock or to extend credit to others for the purpose of purchasing or carrying margin stock.
- SECTION 3.17. Security Interest in Collateral. The provisions of the Collateral Documents create legal and valid Liens on all the Collateral in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties, and such Liens constitute perfected and continuing Liens on the Collateral, securing the Obligations, enforceable against the applicable Loan Party and all third parties, and having priority over all other Liens on the Collateral except in the case of (a) Permitted Encumbrances, to the extent any such Permitted Encumbrances would have priority over the Liens in favor of the Administrative Agent pursuant to any applicable law, (b) Liens perfected only by possession

to the extent the Administrative Agent has not obtained or does not maintain possession of such Collateral and (c) Liens permitted under Section 6.02.

SECTION 3.18. Solvency. Immediately after the consummation of the Transactions to occur on the Effective Date, (i) the fair value of the assets of each Loan Party, at a fair valuation, will exceed its debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise; (ii) the present fair saleable value of the property of each Loan Party will be greater than the amount that will be required to pay the probable liability of its debts and other liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and other liabilities become absolute and matured; (iii) each Loan Party will be able to pay its debts and liabilities, subordinated, contingent or otherwise, as such debts and liabilities become absolute and matured; and (iv) no Loan Party will have unreasonably small capital with which to conduct the business in which it is engaged as such business is conducted as of the Effective Date and is proposed to be conducted after the Effective Date. As used in this Section 3.18, the term "fair value" means the amount at which the applicable assets would change hands between a willing buyer and a willing seller within a reasonable time, each having reasonable knowledge of the relevant facts, neither being under any compulsion to act, with equity to both and "present fair saleable value" means the amount that may be realized if the applicable company's aggregate assets are sold with reasonable promptness in an arm's length transaction under present conditions for the sale of a comparable business enterprises.

SECTION 3.19. <u>Common Enterprise</u>. The successful operation and condition of each of the Loan Parties is dependent on the continued successful performance of the functions of the group of the Loan Parties as a whole and the successful operation of each of the Loan Parties is dependent on the successful performance and operation of each other Loan Party. Each Loan Party expects to derive benefit (and its board of directors or other governing body has determined that it may reasonably be expected to derive benefit), directly and indirectly, from (i) successful operations of each of the other Loan Parties and (ii) the credit extended by the Lenders to the Borrowers hereunder, both in their separate capacities and as members of the group of companies. Each Loan Party has determined that execution, delivery, and performance of this Agreement and any other Loan Documents to be executed by such Loan Party is within its purpose, in furtherance of its direct and/or indirect business interests, will be of direct and/or indirect benefit to such Loan Party, and is in its best interest.

SECTION 3.20. <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. The proceeds of the Loans have been and will be used in compliance with <u>Section 5.10</u>.

SECTION 3.21. Anti-Corruption Laws and Sanctions. Each Loan Party has implemented and maintains in effect policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance by such Loan Party, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions, and such Loan Party, its Subsidiaries and their respective officers and directors and to the knowledge of such Loan Party, its employees and agents, are in compliance with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions in all material respects and are not knowingly engaged in any activity that would reasonably be expected to result in any Loan Party being designated as a Sanctioned Person. None of (a) any Loan Party, any Subsidiary or any of their respective directors, officers or employees, or (b) to the knowledge of any such Loan Party, or any Subsidiary, any agent of such Loan Party or any Subsidiary that will act in any capacity in connection with or benefit from the credit facility established hereby, is a Sanctioned Person. No Borrowing or Letter of Credit, use of proceeds or other transaction contemplated by this Agreement will violate any Anti-Corruption Law or applicable Sanctions.

SECTION 3.22 <u>No Burdensome Restrictions</u>. No Loan Party is subject to any Burdensome Restrictions except Burdensome Restrictions permitted under <u>Section 6.10</u>.

SECTION 3.23. <u>Material Agreements</u>. Neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary is in default in the performance, observance or fulfillment of any of the material obligations, covenants or conditions contained in (i) any agreement or instrument evidencing or governing Funded Debt or (ii) any other agreement to which it is a party, except, in the case of this <u>clause (ii)</u>, to the extent that such default could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 3.24. Existing Predecessor UCCs. The Existing Predecessor UCCs were filed on an entity named "Strathmore Holdings, LLC" in 2011 and 2012. According to the records of the Delaware Secretary of State, "Strathmore Holdings, LLC" was merged with and into BJ's Wholesale Club, Inc. on July 13, 2012. The certificate of formation for Strathmore Holdings, the Guarantor under the Loan Documents, was filed on March 30, 2015. Strathmore Holdings owed no Indebtedness to General Electric Capital Corporation at the time the Existing Predecessor UCCs were filed by General Electric Capital Corporation, and owes no Indebtedness to such creditor at the current time.

SECTION 3.25. <u>EEA Financial Institutions</u>. No Loan Party is an EEA Financial Institution.

ARTICLE IV

Conditions

SECTION 4.01. <u>Effective Date</u>. The obligations of the Lenders to make Loans and of the Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit hereunder shall not become effective until the date on which each of the following conditions is satisfied (or waived in accordance with <u>Section 10.02</u>):

- (a) <u>Credit Agreement and Loan Documents</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received, in each case on terms and conditions, and subject to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (i) from each party hereto either (A) a counterpart of this Agreement signed on behalf of such party or (B) written evidence satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (which may include fax or other electronic transmission of a signed signature page of this Agreement) that such party has signed a counterpart of this Agreement and (ii) duly executed copies of the Collateral Documents Confirmation Agreement and such other certificates, documents, instruments and agreements as the Administrative Agent shall reasonably request in connection with the transactions contemplated by this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including any promissory notes requested by a Lender pursuant to Section 2.09 payable to the order of each such requesting Lender and a written opinion of the Loan Parties' counsel, addressed to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, the Swingline Lender and the Lenders in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (b) <u>Financial Statements and Projections</u>. The Lenders shall have received satisfactory (i) audited consolidated financial statements of the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries for the fiscal years ending March 31, 2016 and March 31, 2017, (ii) unaudited interim consolidated financial statements of the Company for each fiscal quarter ended after the date of the latest applicable financial statements delivered pursuant to <u>clause (i)</u> of this paragraph and more than 45 days prior to the date hereof, and such financial statements shall not, in the reasonable judgment of the Administrative Agent, reflect any material adverse change in the consolidated financial condition of the Company, as reflected in the audited, consolidated financial statements described in <u>clause (i)</u> of this paragraph and (iii) projections reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent.

- (c) Closing Certificates; Certified Certificate of Incorporation; Good Standing Certificates. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received, in each case on terms and conditions, and subject to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent (i) a certificate of each Loan Party, dated the Effective Date and executed by its respective Secretary or Assistant Secretary, which shall (A) certify the resolutions of its Board of Directors, members or other body authorizing the execution, delivery and performance of the Loan Documents to which it is a party, (B) identify by name and title and bear the signatures of the officers of such Loan Party authorized to sign the Loan Documents to which it is a party and, in the case of each of the Company, the CSW Borrower and the Whitmore Borrower, its Financial Officers, and (C) (x) contain appropriate attachments, including the charter, articles or certificate of organization or incorporation of each Loan Party certified by the relevant authority of the jurisdiction of organization of such Loan Party and a true and correct copy of its bylaws or operating, management or partnership agreement, or other organizational or governing documents or (y) provide a certification that there has been no change to the organizational documents of such entity previously delivered to the Administrative Agent or its counsel and that such organizational documents remain in full force and effect as of the Effective Date, and (ii) a good standing certificate for each Loan Party from its jurisdiction of organization.
- (d) No Default Certificate. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received, on terms and conditions, and subject to documentation in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent, signed by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower, dated as of the Effective Date, a certificate of such Financial Officer (i) stating that no Default has occurred and is continuing, (ii) stating that the representations and warranties contained in the Loan Documents are true and correct as of such date, and (iii) certifying as to any other factual matters as may be reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent.
- (e) <u>Fees</u>. The Lenders and the Administrative Agent shall have received all fees required to be paid under the Fee Letter, and all other fees and expenses required to be reimbursed for which invoices have been presented (including the reasonable fees and expenses of legal counsel), on or before the Effective Date.
- (f) <u>Lien Searches</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received the results of a recent lien search in the jurisdiction of organization of each Loan Party and each jurisdiction where assets of the Loan Parties are located, and such search shall reveal no Liens on any of the assets of the Loan Parties except for liens permitted by <u>Section 6.02</u> or discharged on or prior to the Effective Date pursuant to payoff letters or other documentation reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (g) <u>Solvency</u>. The Administrative Agent (or its counsel) shall have received a solvency certificate signed by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower dated the Effective Date giving effect to the Transactions in form and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.
- (h) <u>Pledged Equity Interests</u>; <u>Stock Powers</u>; <u>Pledged Notes</u>. To the extent not previously delivered, the Administrative Agent shall have received (i) the certificates representing the Equity Interests pledged pursuant to the Security Agreement, together with an undated stock power for each such certificate executed in blank by a duly authorized officer of the pledgor thereof, and (ii) each promissory note (if any) pledged to the Administrative Agent pursuant to the Security Agreement endorsed (without recourse) in blank (or accompanied by an executed transfer form in blank) by the pledgor thereof.
- (i) <u>Filings, Registrations and Recordings</u>. To the extent not previously filed, registered or recorded, each document (including any Uniform Commercial Code financing statement) required by

the Collateral Documents or under law or reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent to be filed, registered or recorded in order to create in favor of the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, a perfected Lien on the Collateral described therein, prior and superior in right to any other Person (other than with respect to Liens expressly permitted by <u>Section 6.02</u>), shall be in proper form for filing, registration or recordation.

- (j) <u>Collateral Access and Control Agreements</u>. To the extent not previously delivered, the Administrative Agent shall have received each Collateral Access Agreement required to be provided pursuant to the Security Agreement.
- (k) <u>Governmental and Third Party Approvals</u>. All governmental and third party approvals necessary in connection with the financing contemplated hereby and the continuing operations of the Loan Parties and their subsidiaries (including shareholder approvals, if any) shall have been obtained on reasonably satisfactory terms and shall be in full force and effect, and all applicable waiting periods shall have expired without any action being taken or threatened by any competent authority that would restrain, prevent or otherwise impose materially adverse conditions any of the transactions contemplated hereby.
- (l) <u>No Injunction or Restraining Order; Litigation</u>. No injunction or temporary restraining order exists which, in the judgment of the Administrative Agent, would prohibit the making of the Loans.
- (m) <u>Insurance</u>. To the extent not previously delivered, the Administrative Agent shall have received evidence of insurance coverage in form, scope, and substance reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent and otherwise in compliance with the terms of the Loan Documents.
- (n) <u>Legal and Regulatory Due Diligence</u>. To the extent not previously completed, the Administrative Agent and its counsel shall have completed all legal and regulatory due diligence, the results of which shall be satisfactory to Administrative Agent in its sole discretion
- (o) <u>USA PATRIOT Act, Etc.</u> The Administrative Agent and Lenders shall have received all documentation and other information required by bank regulatory authorities under applicable "know your customer" and anti-money laundering rules and regulations, including USA PATRIOT Act, and a properly completed and signed IRS Form W8 or W9, as applicable, for each Loan Party.
- (p) <u>Organizational Chart</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received an organizational chart in form and substance satisfactory to the Administrative Agent setting out the entity structure of the Company and each of its Subsidiaries.
- (q) <u>Other Documents</u>. The Administrative Agent shall have received such other documents as the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, any Lender or their respective counsel may have reasonably requested.

The Administrative Agent shall notify the Borrowers, the Lenders and the Issuing Bank of the Effective Date, and such notice shall be conclusive and binding. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the obligations of the Lenders to make Loans and of the Issuing Bank to issue Letters of Credit hereunder shall not become effective unless each of the foregoing conditions is satisfied (or waived pursuant to Section 10.02) at or prior to 2:00 p.m., Dallas, Texas time, on September 15, 2017 (and, in the event such conditions are not so satisfied or waived, the Commitments shall terminate at such time).

SECTION 4.02. <u>Each Credit Event</u>. The obligation of each Lender to make a Loan on the occasion of any Borrowing, and of the Issuing Bank to issue, amend, renew or extend any Letter of Credit, is subject to the satisfaction of the following <u>conditions</u>:

- (a) The representations and warranties of the Loan Parties set forth in the Loan Documents shall be true and correct in all material respects with the same effect as though made on and as of the date of such Borrowing or the date of issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable (it being understood and agreed that any representation or warranty which by its terms is made as of a specified date shall be required to be true and correct in all material respects only as of such specified date, and that any representation or warranty which is subject to any materiality qualifier shall be required to be true and correct in all respects).
- (b) At the time of and immediately after giving effect to such Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of such Letter of Credit, as applicable, no Default shall have occurred and be continuing.
- (c) After giving effect to any Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit, Availability shall not be less than zero.
- (d) No event shall have occurred and no condition shall exist which has or could be reasonably expected to have a Material Adverse Effect.
- (e) In the case of a Borrowing or the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit to be denominated in a Foreign Currency, there shall not have occurred any change in national or international financial, political or economic conditions or currency exchange rates or exchange controls which in the reasonable opinion of the Administrative Agent or the Required Lenders (in the case of any Loans to be denominated in a Foreign Currency) or the Issuing Bank (in the case of any Letter of Credit to be denominated in a Foreign Currency) would make it impracticable for such Borrowing, issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit to be denominated in the relevant Foreign Currency.

Each Borrowing and each issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of a Letter of Credit shall be deemed to constitute a representation and warranty by the Borrowers on the date thereof as to the matters specified in <u>paragraphs (a)</u>, (b), (c), and (d) of this Section.

Notwithstanding the failure to satisfy the conditions precedent set forth in this Section, unless otherwise directed by the Required Lenders, the Administrative Agent may, but shall have no obligation to, continue to make Loans and an Issuing Bank may, but shall have no obligation to, issue, amend, renew or extend, or cause to be issued, amended, renewed or extended, any Letter of Credit for the ratable account and risk of Lenders from time to time if the Administrative Agent believes that making such Loans or issuing, amending, renewing or extending, or causing the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of, any such Letter of Credit is in the best interests of the Lenders.

ARTICLE V

Affirmative Covenants

Until all of the Secured Obligations shall have been Paid in Full, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

SECTION 5.01. <u>Financial Statements and Other Information</u>. The Borrowers will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender:

- (a) Annual Audit. Within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year of the Company, beginning with the fiscal year ending March 31, 2017, its audited consolidated balance sheets and related statements of income, shareholders' equity and comprehensive income and cash flows as of the end of and for such year, setting forth, if applicable, in each case in comparative form the figures for the previous fiscal year, all reported on by independent public accountants reasonably acceptable to Administrative Agent (Grant Thornton being deemed acceptable) (without a "going concern" or like qualification or exception and without any qualification or exception as to the scope of such audit) to the effect that such consolidated financial statements present fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated and unaudited consolidating basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied; and
- (b) Quarterly Financial Statements. Within 45 days after the end of each fiscal quarter of each fiscal year of the Company, its consolidated balance sheets and related statements of income, shareholder's equity and comprehensive income and cash flows as of the end of and for such fiscal quarter and the then elapsed portion of the fiscal year, setting forth, to the extent applicable, in each case in comparative form the figures for the corresponding period or periods of (or, in the case of the balance sheets, as of the end of) the previous fiscal year, all certified by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower as presenting fairly in all material respects the financial condition and results of operations of the Company and the Subsidiaries on a consolidated basis in accordance with GAAP consistently applied, subject to normal year-end audit adjustments and the absence of footnotes; and
- (c) <u>Compliance Certificate</u>. Concurrently with any delivery of financial statements under <u>clause (a)</u> or <u>(b)</u> of this <u>Section 5.01</u>, a certificate in substantially the form of <u>Exhibit C</u> hereto of a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower: (i) certifying as to whether a Default has occurred and, if a Default has occurred, specifying the details thereof and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto, (ii) setting forth reasonably detailed calculations of the financial covenants set forth in <u>Article VII</u>, (iii) stating whether any change in GAAP or in the application thereof has occurred since the date of the Company's financial statements first delivered hereunder and, if any such change has occurred, specifying the effect of such change on the financial statements accompanying such certificate, (iv) attaching certificates of insurance or other evidence acceptable to the Administrative Agent that the insurance required by <u>Section 5.06</u> is in effect, and (v) setting forth either a list that identifies each Subsidiary of the Company that is an Immaterial Subsidiary as of the date of delivery of such Compliance Certificate or a confirmation that there is no change in such information since the later of the Effective Date or the date of the last such list, and:
- (d) <u>Employee Benefit Plan Audited Financial Statements</u>. Within 10 days after the annual report on Form 5500 has been filed for each plan year of the ESOP, each Plan and each other employee benefit plan sponsored or maintained by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary for which certified

financial statements are required to be maintained, the audited financial statements of each such plan prepared and presented in accordance with GAAP; and

- (e) <u>Budget</u>. No later than 30 days after the commencement of each fiscal year of the Company, a detailed consolidated budget for such fiscal year (including a projected consolidated balance sheet and related statements of projected operations and cash flow as of the end of and for such fiscal year and setting forth the assumptions used for purposes of preparing such budget) and, promptly when available, any significant revisions of such budget; and
- (f) <u>Public Reports</u>. Promptly after the same become publicly available, copies of all periodic and other reports, proxy statements and other materials filed by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or any Governmental Authority succeeding to any or all of the functions of said Commission, or with any national securities exchange; and
- (g) <u>Additional Information</u>. Promptly following any request therefor, such other information regarding any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or compliance with the terms of any Loan Document, as the Administrative Agent or any Lender may reasonably request.

The Company represents and warrants that it, its controlling Person and any Subsidiary, in each case, if any, either (i) has no registered or publicly traded securities outstanding, or (ii) files its financial statements with the SEC and/or makes its financial statements available to potential holders of its 144A securities, if any, and, accordingly, the Company hereby (i) authorizes the Administrative Agent to make the financial statements to be provided under Section 5.01(a) and (b) above (collectively or individually, as the context requires, the "Financial Statements"), along with this Agreement, any executed amendments thereto, the Loan Guaranty, each Obligation Guaranty and the Collateral Documents, available to Public-Siders and (ii) agree that at the time such Financial Statements are provided hereunder, they shall already have been made available to holders of its securities. The Company will not request that any other material be posted to Public-Siders without expressly representing and warranting to the Administrative Agent in writing that such materials do not constitute material non-public information within the meaning of the federal securities laws or that the Company has no outstanding publicly traded securities, including 144A securities (nor will the Company be required to post or make available to Public-Siders materials that constitute material non-public information within the meaning of the federal securities laws at any time that the Company has any outstanding publicly traded securities, including 144A securities). Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, in no event shall the Company request that the Administrative Agent make available to Public-Siders budgets or any certificates, reports or calculations with respect to the Borrowers' compliance with the covenants contained herein.

SECTION 5.02. <u>Notices of Material Events</u>. The Borrowers will furnish to the Administrative Agent and each Lender prompt (but in any event within any time period that may be specified below) written notice of the following:

- (a) <u>Default</u>. The occurrence of any Default;
- (b) <u>Notice of Proceedings</u>. The filing or commencement of any action, suit or proceeding by or before any arbitrator or Governmental Authority against or affecting any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or Affiliate thereof that, if adversely determined, could reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect;

- (c) <u>Notice of Casualty, etc.</u> As soon as possible and in any event within 5 days after the occurrence thereof, written notice of any of the events described in <u>Section 5.11</u>;
- (d) <u>Immaterial Subsidiaries</u>. (i) the consummation of an acquisition pursuant to which any Subsidiary designated as an Immaterial Subsidiary ceases to be an Immaterial Subsidiary and (ii) any occasion on which any Subsidiary is designated by the Borrowers as an Immaterial Subsidiary pursuant to the delivery of a Compliance Certificate or otherwise; and
- (e) <u>Material Adverse Effect</u>. Any other development that results in, or could reasonably be expected to result in, a Material Adverse Effect.

Each notice delivered under this Section shall be accompanied by a statement of a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower setting forth the details of the event or development requiring such notice and any action taken or proposed to be taken with respect thereto.

SECTION 5.03. <u>Existence</u>; <u>Conduct of Business</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary (except, with respect to Subsidiaries, as otherwise provided with under <u>Section 6.03</u>) to, do or cause to be done all things necessary to preserve, renew and keep in full force and effect its legal existence and the rights, licenses, permits, privileges, franchises, patents, copyrights, trademarks and trade names material to the conduct of its business.

SECTION 5.04 Payment of Obligations. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, pay its Funded Debt and other material obligations, including Tax liabilities, before the same shall become delinquent or in default, except where (a) the validity or amount thereof is being contested in good faith by appropriate proceedings, (b) such Loan Party or such Subsidiary has set aside on its books adequate reserves with respect thereto in accordance with GAAP, (c) such contest effectively suspends collection of the contested obligation and the enforcement of any Lien securing such obligation, and (d) the failure to make payment pending such contest could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect.

SECTION 5.05. <u>Maintenance and Use of Properties; Notices</u>.

- (a) Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, keep and maintain all property material to the conduct of its business in good working order and condition, ordinary wear and tear excepted.
- (b) Except as could not reasonably be expected, individually or in the aggregate, to have a Material Adverse Effect, neither any Loan Party nor any Subsidiary will use or knowingly permit any third party to use, generate, manufacture, produce, store, or release, on, under or at the Real Property, or transfer to or from the Real Property, any Hazardous Material, except in compliance with all Environmental Laws, and each Loan Party and each Subsidiary shall otherwise comply, at its sole expense and responsibility, with all Environmental Laws, provided that if any such occurrence shall nevertheless happen, the Loan Parties shall promptly remedy such condition at their sole expense and responsibility, provided, further, that nothing herein shall prohibit any Loan Party from undertaking appropriate proceedings against any third party that may be responsible for such condition. The Loan Parties shall promptly notify the Administrative Agent in writing if any officer of any Loan Party learns of the occurrence of any material violation of any Environmental Law on or affecting or otherwise in respect of the Real Property.

(c) The Borrower Representative will furnish to the Administrative Agent prompt (but in any event within fifteen (15) days) written notice of the execution by any Loan Party of any agreement granting any Person any right of first refusal, option or other contractual right to purchase any owned Real Property or any material interest therein.

SECTION 5.06. Insurance.

- (a) Required Coverage. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, maintain insurance coverage with financially sound and reputable insurers in such amounts and covering such risks as are usually carried by companies engaged in similar businesses and owning similar properties in the same general areas in which such Loan Party or such Subsidiary operates. Without limiting the foregoing, each Loan Party agrees that it will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, obtain when the nature of its business requires it or when the Administrative Agent shall otherwise reasonably request, and will thereafter continuously maintain the following described policies of insurance:
- (i) Commercial General Liability. Comprehensive General Liability Insurance on ACORD form 25 with limits of not less than \$2,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit and \$2,000,000 in the aggregate for the policy period, or in whatever higher amounts as may be reasonably required by Administrative Agent from time to time by notice to the Borrower Representative, and extended to cover: (A) Blanket Contractual Liability assumed by any Loan Party or Subsidiary with defense provided in addition to policy limits for indemnities of the named insured, (B) Independent Contractors Liability providing coverage in connection with such portion of the work which is subcontracted, (C) Broad Form Property Damage Liability, (D) Products & Completed Operations form coverage, such coverage to apply for two years following completion of construction, (E) waiver of subrogation against all parties named additional insured, (F) severability of interest provision, and (G) Personal Injury & Advertisers Liability.
- (ii) <u>Automobile Liability</u>. Automobile Liability including coverage on owned, hired and non-owned automobiles and other vehicles, with Bodily Injury and Property Damage limits of not less than \$1,000,000 per occurrence combined single limit, with a waiver of subrogation against all parties named as additional insured.
- (iii) <u>Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability</u>. Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance in accordance with applicable laws. The policy limit under the Employer's Liability Insurance section shall not be less than \$1,000,000 for any one accident.
- (iv) <u>Umbrella/Excess Liability</u>. Umbrella/Excess Liability in excess of Commercial General Liability, Automobile Liability and Employers' Liability coverages which is at least as broad as these underlying policies with a limit of liability of \$10,000,000.
- (v) <u>Casualty</u>. All-Risk Property (Special Cause of Loss) Insurance on the improvements and equipment included in the Collateral in an amount not less than \$50,000,000. This policy must also list Administrative Agent as mortgagee and loss payee.
- (vi) Other Insurance. Such other insurance as Administrative Agent may require, which may include, without limitation, errors and omissions insurance, business interruption insurance, with respect to the contractors, architects and engineers, rent abatement and/or business loss.
- (b) <u>Forms of Policies</u>. All insurance policies shall (i) be issued by an insurance company licensed to do business in Texas having a rating of "A-" VIII or better by A.M. Best Co., in Best's Rating

Guide, (ii) name "JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, as Administrative Agent" as additional insured on all liability insurance and as mortgagee and loss payee on all All-Risk Property insurance, (iii) be endorsed to show that each Loan Party's and each Subsidiary's insurance shall be primary and all insurance carried by Administrative Agent is strictly excess and secondary and shall not contribute with any Loan Party's or any Subsidiary's insurance, (iv) provide that Administrative Agent is to receive notice prior to non-renewal or cancellation, (v) be evidenced by a certificate of insurance to be provided to Administrative Agent along with a copy of the policy for All-Risk Property coverage, (vi) include either policy or binder numbers on the Accord form, and (vii) otherwise be in form and amounts reasonably acceptable to Administrative Agent.

- (c) Evidence of Insurance; Payment of Premiums. The Borrower Representative shall deliver to Administrative Agent, at least five (5) days before the expiration of an existing policy, evidence acceptable to Administrative Agent of the continuation of the coverage of the expiring policy. If Administrative Agent has not received satisfactory evidence of such continuation of coverage in the time frame herein specified, Administrative Agent shall have the right, but not the obligation, after prior notice to the Borrower Representative, to purchase such insurance for Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' interest only. Any amounts so disbursed by Administrative Agent pursuant to this Section 5.06(c) shall be repaid by the Loan Parties within ten (10) Business Days after written demand therefor. Nothing contained in this Section 5.06(c) shall require Administrative Agent to incur any expense or take any action hereunder, and inaction by Administrative Agent shall never be considered a waiver of any right accruing to Administrative Agent on account on this Section 5.06(c). The payment by Administrative Agent of any insurance premium for insurance which any Loan Party or any Subsidiary is obligated to provide hereunder but which Administrative Agent believes has not been paid, shall be conclusive between the parties as to the legality and amounts so paid. Each Loan Party agrees to pay, and to cause each Subsidiary to pay, all premiums on such insurance as they become due, and will not permit any condition to exist on or with respect to the Real Property which would (x) invalidate any material portion or (y) wholly invalidate any insurance thereon.
- (d) <u>Collateral Protection</u>. Unless the Borrower Representative provides Administrative Agent with evidence satisfactory to Administrative Agent of the insurance coverage required by this Agreement, Administrative Agent may purchase insurance at the Loan Parties' expense to protect Administrative Agent's and the Lenders' interest in the Collateral. This insurance may, but need not, protect the Loan Parties' interest in the Collateral. The coverages that Administrative Agent purchases may not pay any claim that a Loan Party makes or any claim that is made against a Loan Party in connection with the Collateral. The Loan Parties may later cancel any insurance purchased by Administrative Agent, but only after providing Administrative Agent with evidence satisfactory to Administrative Agent that the Loan Parties have obtained insurance as required by this Agreement. If Administrative Agent purchases insurance for the Collateral, the Loan Parties will be responsible for the costs of that insurance, including any charges imposed by Administrative Agent in connection with the placement of insurance, until the effective date of the cancellation or expiration of such insurance. The costs of the insurance may, at Administrative Agent's discretion, be added to the Loan Parties' total principal obligation owing to Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and in any event shall be secured by the Liens on the Collateral created by the Loan Documents. It is understood and agreed that the costs of insurance obtained by Administrative Agent may be more than the costs of insurance the Loan Parties may be able to obtain on their own.
- (e) <u>No Liability; Assignment</u>. Administrative Agent shall not by the fact of approving, disapproving, accepting, preventing, obtaining or failing to obtain any such insurance, incur any liability for the form or legal sufficiency of insurance contracts, solvency of insurers, or payment of losses, and

each Loan Party hereby expressly assumes full responsibility therefor and all liability, if any, thereunder. Each Loan Party hereby absolutely assigns and transfers to Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Lenders all of such Loan Party's right, title and interest in and to any unearned premiums paid on policies and any claims thereunder and Administrative Agent and/or the Lenders shall have the right, but not the obligation, to assign any then existing claims under the same to any purchaser of the Real Property at any foreclosure sale; provided, however, that so long as no Default exists, each Loan Party shall have the right under a license granted hereby, and Administrative Agent hereby grants to each Loan Party a license, to exercise rights under said policies and in and to said premiums subject to the provisions of this Agreement. Said license shall be revoked automatically when a Default exists.

SECTION 5.07. <u>Insurance, Condemnation and Casualty Losses</u>. The payment of any insurance proceeds, condemnation awards or other compensation payable in respect of any damage to or destruction or taking of any portion of any of the Collateral may be negotiated with the applicable payor by the Loan Parties if no Event of Default exists. If an Event of Default exists, the Administrative Agent shall have the sole right to negotiate the amounts payable with respect to any loss or taking of any of the Collateral.

SECTION 5.08. <u>Books and Records; Inspection Rights</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, keep proper books of record and account in which full, true and correct entries are made of all transactions in relation to its business and activities. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, permit any representatives designated by the Administrative Agent, upon reasonable prior notice, to visit and inspect its properties, to examine and make extracts from its books and records, and to discuss its affairs, finances and condition with its officers and, if reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent, its independent accountants, all at such reasonable times and as often as reasonably requested. During the continuance of an Event of Default, each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, permit any representatives designated by any Lender, upon reasonable prior notice, to visit and inspect its properties, to examine and make extracts from its books and records.

SECTION 5.09. <u>Compliance with Laws and Material Contractual Obligations</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each of Subsidiary to, comply with all laws, rules, regulations and orders of any Governmental Authority applicable to it or its property, and perform in all material respects its obligations under material agreements to which it is a party, except, in each case, where the failure to do so, individually or in the aggregate, could not reasonably be expected to result in a Material Adverse Effect. Each Loan Party will maintain in effect and enforce policies and procedures designed to ensure compliance by such Loan Party, its Subsidiaries and their respective directors, officers, employees and agents with Anti-Corruption Laws and applicable Sanctions.

SECTION 5.10. Use of Proceeds.

(a) The proceeds of the Revolving Loans will be used for payment of fees and expenses payable in connection with the Transactions (other than upfront fees), acquisitions permitted pursuant to the terms of Sections 6.04(1) and (m) and for other working capital and other general corporate purposes of the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries of the Borrowers. No part of the proceeds of any Loan and no Letter of Credit will be used, whether directly or indirectly, for any purpose that entails a violation of any of the Regulations of the Board, including Regulations T, U and X. Letters of Credit will be issued only to support transactions of the Loan Parties and their Subsidiaries entered into in the ordinary course of business.

(b) The Borrowers will not request any Borrowing or Letter of Credit, and no Borrower shall use, and each Borrower shall procure that its Subsidiaries and its or their respective directors, officers, employees and agents shall not use, the proceeds of any Borrowing or Letter of Credit (a) in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, or authorization of the payment or giving of money, or anything else of value, to any Person in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws, (b) for the purpose of funding, financing or facilitating any activities, business or transaction of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any Sanctioned Country to the extent that such activities, business or transaction would be prohibited by Sanctions if conducted by a corporation incorporated in the United States or the European Union, or (c) in any manner that would result in the violation of any Sanctions applicable to any party hereto.

SECTION 5.11. <u>Casualty and Condemnation</u>. The Borrower Representative (a) will furnish to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders prompt written notice of any casualty or other insured damage to any material portion of the Collateral or the commencement of any action or proceeding for the taking of any material portion of the Collateral or interest therein under power of eminent domain or by condemnation or similar proceeding and (b) will ensure that the Net Proceeds of any such event (whether in the form of insurance proceeds, condemnation awards or otherwise) are collected and applied in accordance with the applicable provisions of this Agreement and the Collateral Documents.

SECTION 5.12. Additional Collateral; Further Assurances.

- (a) New Subsidiaries. Subject to applicable Requirements of Law set forth in clause (b) of that definition, each Loan Party will cause each of its Domestic Subsidiaries (other than an Immaterial Subsidiary, but only for so long as such Subsidiary is an Immaterial Subsidiary) formed or acquired after the date of this Agreement to become a Loan Party by executing a Joinder Agreement within thirty Business Days (or such longer period acceptable to the Administrative Agent). Upon execution and delivery thereof, each such Person (i) shall automatically become a Loan Guarantor hereunder and thereupon shall have all of the rights, benefits, duties, and obligations in such capacity under the Loan Documents and (ii) will grant Liens to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, in any property of such Loan Party of the type which constitutes Collateral, including certain parcels of Real Property located in the U.S.; provided, however, (i) any Domestic Subsidiary that becomes a Loan Party and owns Equity Interests in a Disregarded Domestic Person will only be required to pledge its Equity Interests in any Foreign Subsidiary in which it owns Equity Interests in accordance with Section 5.12(b). Notwithstanding the foregoing, to the extent that any Subsidiary that was previously an Immaterial Subsidiary is no longer designated as an Immaterial Subsidiary, such Subsidiary shall be treated for purposes of this Section as if it was formed or acquired after the date of this Agreement.
- (b) Equity Interests of Subsidiaries. Each Loan Party will cause (i) 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests of each of its Domestic Subsidiaries (other than Disregarded Domestic Persons), (ii) 65% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests in each Disregarded Domestic Person and (iii) 65% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests entitled to vote (within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.9562(c)(2)) and 100% of the issued and outstanding Equity Interests not entitled to vote (within the meaning of Treas. Reg. Section 1.9562(c)(2)) in each Foreign Subsidiary directly owned by such Loan Party to be subject at all times to a first priority, perfected Lien in favor of the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the other Secured Parties, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Loan Documents or other Collateral Documents as the Administrative Agent shall

reasonably request. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no actions in any jurisdiction outside the United States, other than Canada and the United Kingdom, or required by laws of any jurisdiction outside the United States, other than Canada and the United Kingdom, shall be required to be taken by any Loan Party in order to create any security interests in any such Equity Interests.

- (c) General Further Assurances. Within thirty Business Days (or such longer period acceptable to the Administrative Agent), and subject to the terms of the Security Agreement, each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, execute any and all further documents, financing statements, agreements and instruments, and take all such further actions (including the filing and recording of financing statements, fixture filings, mortgages, deeds of trust and other documents), which may be required under any applicable law, or which the Administrative Agent may reasonably request, to effectuate the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents or to grant, preserve, protect or perfect the Liens created or intended to be created by the Collateral Documents or the validity or priority of any such Lien, all at the expense of the Loan Parties. The Loan Parties also agree to provide to the Administrative Agent, from time to time upon request, evidence reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent as to the perfection and priority of the Liens created or intended to be created by the Collateral Documents. Notwithstanding the foregoing, no actions in any jurisdiction outside the United States, other than Canada and the United Kingdom, or required by laws of any jurisdiction outside the United States, other than Canada and the United Kingdom, or subject to a document of title governed by the laws of any jurisdiction outside the United States, other than Canada and the United Kingdom, or to perfect any security interest under such laws.
- (d) Acquisition of Material Assets. If any material assets (including any assets acquired in an acquisition permitted hereby) are acquired by any Loan Party after the Effective Date (excluding (i) assets constituting Collateral under the Collateral Documents that become subject to the Lien of the Collateral Documents upon acquisition thereof, (ii) assets excluded from the Collateral under the Collateral Documents and (iii) any interests in Real Property, other than fixtures, landlord waivers, other collateral access agreements, subordinations, bailee or other warehouse waivers, consents and other waivers not granting a Lien in the Real Property), the Borrower Representative will notify the Administrative Agent thereof, and, if requested by the Administrative Agent, within thirty Business Days (or such longer period acceptable to the Administrative Agent) will cause such assets to be subjected to a Lien securing the Obligations and will take, and cause each applicable Loan Party or Subsidiary to take, such actions as shall be necessary or reasonably requested by the Administrative Agent to grant, perfect and protect such Liens, including actions described in paragraph (a) of this Section and deliver such other documentation as the Administrative Agent may reasonably request in connection with the foregoing, including, without limitation, appropriate UCC-1 financing statements, landlord's waivers, certified resolutions and other organizational and authorizing documents of such Loan Party, favorable opinions of counsel to such Person (which shall cover, among other things, the legality, validity, binding effect and enforceability of the Collateral Documents referred to above and the perfection of the Administrative Agent's Liens thereunder), all in form, content and scope reasonably satisfactory to the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 5.13. <u>Depository Banks</u>. To provide additional security for the Obligations, each Loan Party and each Subsidiary will maintain all of their primary depository, lockbox and operating accounts at a Lender; <u>provided</u> that (a) the payroll bank account and the flexible spending bank account of the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries of the Borrowers and other accounts used exclusively for payroll, payroll taxes and other wage and benefit payments may be located at American National Bank of Texas

or at a Lender or an Affiliate of a Lender, and (b) accounts may be opened with a financial institution other than a Lender at any location where a Lender does not have a branch that is reasonably convenient to such Loan Party and such Loan Party has a reasonable business need to maintain an account or accounts at such location; <u>provided further</u>, subject to the immediately preceding proviso, that each Loan Party and each Subsidiary shall have up to six months after the Effective Date or after the date of the acquisition of any primary depository, lockbox and operating accounts that are located at an entity that is not a Lender to move such primary depository, lockbox or operating accounts at a Lender to comply with this <u>Section 5.13</u>, provided further that, if a Loan Party has any primary depository, lockbox or operating accounts at a financial institution that was a Lender at the time such accounts were opened, such Loan Party will have up to six months to move any such primary depository, lockbox or operating accounts at a Lender.

SECTION 5.14. Accuracy of Information. The Loan Parties will ensure, and will cause the Subsidiaries to ensure, that any information, including financial statements or other documents, furnished to the Administrative Agent or the Lenders in connection with this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any amendment or modification hereof or thereof or waiver hereunder or thereunder contains no material misstatement of fact or omits to state any material fact necessary to make the statements therein, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, and the furnishing of such information shall be deemed to be a representation and warranty by the Borrowers on the date thereof as to the matters specified in this Section 5.14.

SECTION 5.15. Employee Benefit Plans. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, maintain each employee benefit plan as to which it may have any liability, in material compliance with all applicable rules, regulations and other laws, except where the failure to so comply could not reasonably be expected to subject the applicable employee benefit plan, trust or any Loan Party to any liability in excess of \$1,500,000. The Borrower Representative will provide the Administrative Agent and the Lenders with written notice promptly upon (and in no event later than ten (10) Business Days after) the occurrence of any of the following: (a) the institution of steps by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary to withdraw from, or the institution of any steps to terminate, any employee benefit plan as to which it could reasonably be expected to have liability (including the ESOP, any Plan and any Multiemployer Plan) in excess of \$1,500,000; (b) any ERISA Event or any material non-exempt prohibited transaction or Code violation that has occurred or been alleged in writing to have occurred with respect to any employee benefit plan (including the ESOP, any Plan and any Multiemployer Plan) with respect to which any Loan Party or any Subsidiary could reasonably be expected to have any liability or obligation in excess of \$1,500,000; (c) the initiation of any investigation or review by the IRS or the Department of Labor or any other Governmental Authority as to whether a material non-exempt prohibited transaction or Code violation might have occurred with respect to any employee benefit plan (including the ESOP, any Plan and any Multiemployer Plan) with respect to which any Loan Party or any Subsidiary could reasonably be expected to have liability in excess of \$1,500,000; (d) receipt by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary of notice of any audit, investigation, litigation or inquiry by the Department of Labor or the IRS relating to the ESOP, any Plan, any Multiemployer Plan or any other employee benefit plan sponsored or maintained by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or with respect to which any Loan Party or any Subsidiary could reasonably be expected to have any liability in excess of \$1,500,000, including copies of such notice and copies of all subsequent material correspondence relating thereto; and (e) any event which would give rise to (i) the loss of the tax qualification of the ESOP, any Plan, any Multiemployer Plan or any other employee benefit plan sponsored or maintained by any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or with respect to which any Loan Party or Subsidiary could reasonably be expected to have any liability or obligation, which is intended to be tax qualified under Section 401(a) of the Code, or the tax-exempt status of the trust established under any such plan, or (ii) the loss of the ESOP's status as

an employee stock ownership plan under Section 4975(e)(7) of the Code, in each case which could reasonably be expected to result in liability or obligation in excess of \$1,500,000.

SECTION 5.16. <u>Maintenance of ESOP</u>. Each Loan Party will, and will cause each Subsidiary to, take any and all action necessary to: (a) maintain the ESOP as an "employee stock ownership plan" within the meaning of Section 4975(e)(7) of the Code, and to materially satisfy in form and operation all relevant provisions of the Code, including the provisions of Section 409 of the Code; (b) maintain the qualified status of the ESOP under Section 401(a) of the Code, and the tax-exempt status of the ESOP trust under Section 501(a) of the Code; and (c) ensure that the employer securities held under the ESOP are "employer securities" within the meaning of Section 409(l) of the Code.

ARTICLE VI

Negative Covenants

Until all of the Secured Obligations shall have been Paid in Full, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

SECTION 6.01. <u>Indebtedness</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Indebtedness, except:

- (a) Indebtedness created under the Loan Documents and the Secured Obligations;
- (b) Indebtedness existing on the date hereof and set forth in <u>Schedule 6.01</u> and any extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof or result in an earlier maturity date or decreased weighted average life thereof;
 - (c) Indebtedness of
- (i) any Non-Loan Party to a Loan Party, provided that (A) any Equity Interests held by a Loan Party in any such Subsidiary shall be pledged pursuant to the Collateral Documents (subject to the limitations applicable to Equity Interests in a Foreign Subsidiary referred to in Section 5.12), (B) the aggregate amount of investments made by Loan Parties in Non-Loan Parties shall not exceed \$1,000,000 during any fiscal year of the Company and (C) the aggregate amount of (1) loans and advances made by Loan Parties to, and (2) Guarantees made by Loan Parties of Indebtedness of, Non-Loan Parties (excluding all intercompany loans and investments by and between a Loan Party and a Non-Loan Party, which are listed on Schedule 6.01(c) on the Effective Date) shall not exceed \$5,000,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any time (in each case determined without regard to any write-downs or write-offs),
 - (ii) any Non-Loan Party to another Non-Loan Party,
 - (iii) any Loan Party to another Loan Party, and
- (iv) any Loan Party to a Non-Loan Party, provided that (A) such Indebtedness shall be Subordinated Indebtedness and (B) the sum of the amount of all such Indebtedness under this $\underline{\text{clause }(c)(iv)}$ plus, without duplication, the amount of Guarantees outstanding under $\underline{\text{clause }(d)(iv)}$ of this $\underline{\text{Section }6.01}$ shall not exceed \$1,500,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any time;
 - (d) Guarantees of Indebtedness of

- (i) any Non-Loan Party by a Loan Party, subject to the limitations set forth in clause (c)(i) preceding,
- (ii) any Non-Loan Party by another Non-Loan Party,
- (iii) any Loan Party by another Loan Party, and
- (iv) any Loan Party by a Non-Loan Party, provided that (A) such Guarantee shall constitute Subordinated Indebtedness and (B) the sum of the amount of all such Guarantees under this <u>clause (d)(iv)</u> plus, without duplication, the amount of Indebtedness outstanding under <u>clause (c)(iv)</u> of this <u>Section 6.01</u> shall not exceed \$1,500,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any time;
- (e) Indebtedness of the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary that is (i) incurred to finance the acquisition, construction or improvement of any fixed or capital assets, including Capital Lease Obligations and any Indebtedness assumed in connection with the acquisition of any such assets or secured by a Lien on any such assets prior to the acquisition thereof, or (ii) purchase money Indebtedness, and, in each case, extensions, renewals and replacements of any such Indebtedness that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof or result in an earlier maturity date or decreased weighted average life thereof; provided that (A) such Indebtedness is incurred prior to or within 90 days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement and (B) the principal amount of Indebtedness permitted by this clause (e) in the aggregate for the Company and its Subsidiaries shall not exceed \$5,000,000 at any time outstanding;
 - (f) Indebtedness of the Loan Parties arising in connection with Swap Agreements permitted by Section 6.07;
- (g) cash management obligations and Indebtedness incurred by the Company, any Borrower or any Subsidiary in respect of netting services, overdraft protections and similar arrangements, in each case entered into in the ordinary course of business in connection with cash management and deposit accounts and not involving the borrowing of money;
- (h) unsecured Indebtedness in respect of insurance premiums, performance bonds, bid bonds, appeal bonds, bankers acceptances, surety bonds or other similar obligations arising in the ordinary course of business, and any refinancings thereof, in each case to the extent not provided to secure repayment of other Indebtedness;
- (i) unsecured Indebtedness representing deferred compensation to directors, officers, members of management or employees of the Loan Parties or the Subsidiaries incurred in the ordinary course of business in connection with any acquisitions permitted under the terms of <u>Section 6.04</u>, <u>provided</u> that, the amount of Indebtedness permitted by this <u>clause (i)</u> in the aggregate for the Company and its Subsidiaries shall not exceed \$1,000,000 at any time outstanding;
- (j) unsecured Indebtedness consisting of notes to future, present or former directors, officers, members of management or employees or consultants of the Loan Parties or the Subsidiaries or their respective estates, heirs, family members, spouses or former spouses to finance the purchase or redemption of Equity Interests of the Company, provided that, the amount of Indebtedness permitted by this clause (j) in the aggregate for the Company and its Subsidiaries shall not exceed \$500,000 at any time outstanding;

- (k) Indebtedness arising from judgments or decrees that do not constitute Events of Default;
- (l) Indebtedness consisting of earnouts relating to acquisitions permitted by <u>Section 6.04(l)</u> or (<u>m</u>) in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$25,000,000 at any time outstanding;
- (m) Indebtedness incurred in connection with the Headquarters Loan and any other obligations arising under or in connection with the Headquarters Loan Agreement or the Headquarters Loan Documents;
- (n) unsecured Subordinated Indebtedness of the Borrowers not exceeding \$50,000,000 in the aggregate at any time outstanding; and
 - (o) other unsecured Indebtedness of the Loan Parties not exceeding \$10,000,000 in the aggregate at any time outstanding.

SECTION 6.02. <u>Liens</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, create, incur, assume or permit to exist any Lien on any property or asset now owned or hereafter acquired by it, or assign or sell any income <u>or</u> revenues (including accounts receivable) or rights in respect of any thereof, except:

- (a) Liens created under the Loan Documents;
- (b) Permitted Encumbrances;
- (c) any Lien on any property or asset of the Company or any Subsidiary existing on the date hereof and set forth in <u>Schedule 6.02</u>; provided that (i) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or asset of the Company, such Borrower or such Subsidiary and (ii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date hereof and extensions, renewals and replacements thereof that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof;
- (d) any Lien existing on any property or asset prior to the acquisition thereof by the Company or any Subsidiary (so long as such property was acquired after the Effective Date); provided that (i) such Lien is not created in contemplation of or in connection with such acquisition, (ii) such Lien shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Loan Party and (iii) such Lien shall secure only those obligations which it secures on the date of such acquisition and extensions, renewals and replacements thereof that do not increase the outstanding principal amount thereof;
- (e) Liens on fixed or capital assets acquired, constructed or improved by the Company or any Subsidiary; provided that (i) such Liens secure Indebtedness permitted by <u>clause (e)</u> of <u>Section 6.01</u>, (ii) such Liens and the Indebtedness secured thereby are incurred prior to or within 90 days after such acquisition or the completion of such construction or improvement, (iii) the Indebtedness secured thereby does not exceed 100% of the cost of acquiring, constructing or improving such fixed or capital assets and (iv) such Liens shall not apply to any other property or assets of the Company or any Subsidiary;
- (f) Liens on (i) the Headquarters Real Property and (ii) the building, improvements and other assets located on or at the Headquarters Real Property securing obligations created under the Headquarters Loan Documents, but specifically excluding Liens on personal property that constitute Collateral under this Agreement, including, but not limited to, office equipment, counters, lifts, mechanical equipment or storage tanks, and a crane on craneways, so long as the holder of such Lien

referred to in the foregoing (i) and (ii) is subject to a Collateral Access Agreement granting the Administrative Agent access to any Collateral on the Headquarters Real Property;

- (g) Liens arising out of conditional sale, title retention, consignment or similar arrangements for the sale of goods entered into by the Loan Parties or the Subsidiaries in the ordinary course of business and in accordance with past practices;
- (h) Liens arising as a matter of law or in the nature of (i) normal and customary rights of setoff and bankers' liens upon deposits of cash in favor of banks or other depository institutions and (ii) Liens securing reasonable and customary fees for services in favor of banks, securities intermediaries or other depository institutions; and
 - (i) Liens granted by a Non-Loan Party in favor of a Loan Party.

SECTION 6.03. Fundamental Changes. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, merge into or consolidate with any other Person, or permit any other Person to merge into or consolidate with it, or liquidate or dissolve except that, if at the time thereof and immediately after giving effect thereto no Default exists: (a) any Subsidiary may merge into a Borrower in a transaction in which such Borrower is the surviving entity, (b) any Loan Party (other than a Borrower) may merge into any other Loan Party in a transaction in which the surviving entity is a Loan Party, (c) any Borrower may merge into any other Borrower in a transaction in which the surviving entity is a Borrower, so long as such surviving entity assumes all obligations of such Borrower under the Loan Documents and all of the other Secured Obligations, (d) any Non-Loan Party may merge into any other Subsidiary that is a Loan Party in which the surviving entity is a Loan Party, (e) any Subsidiary may liquidate or dissolve if the CSW Borrower determines in good faith that such liquidation or dissolution is in the best interests of the CSW Borrower and is not materially disadvantageous to the Lenders and, if such Subsidiary is a Loan Party, its assets are transferred to a Loan Party, (f) any Loan Party and any Subsidiary may merge or consolidate with any Person acquired pursuant to an acquisition permitted under Section 6.04(1) as long (i) as such Loan Party or such Subsidiary is the surviving entity or (ii) the Person so acquired becomes a Loan Party in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, including, without limitation, Section 5.12 hereof; provided that any such merger involving a Person that is not a wholly owned Subsidiary immediately prior to such merger shall not be permitted unless also permitted by Section 6.04 and (g) any other similar intercompany transaction consented to in advance by the Administrative Agent that is not materially adverse to the Lenders (from the perspective of a secured lender). No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, engage to any material extent in any business other than businesses of the type conducted by the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries on the date of execution of this Agreement and businesses that are reasonably related thereto.

SECTION 6.04. <u>Investments, Loans, Advances, Guarantees and Acquisitions</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, form any subsidiary after the Effective Date, or purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to any merger with any Person that was not a Loan Party and a wholly owned Subsidiary prior to such merger) any Equity Interests in or evidences of indebtedness or other securities (including any option, warrant or other right to acquire any of the foregoing) of, make or permit to exist any loans or advances to, Guarantee any obligations of, or make or permit to exist any investment or any other interest in, any other Person, or purchase or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of transactions) any assets of any other Person constituting a business unit (whether through purchase of assets, merger or otherwise), except:

(a) Permitted Investments;

- (b) investments in existence on the date hereof and described in <u>Schedule 6.04</u> and any modifications, replacements, renewals or extensions thereof, provided that the amount of the original investment permitted pursuant to this <u>clause (b)</u> is not increased from the amount of such investments on the Effective Date;
 - (c) investments by the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries in Equity Interests
- (i) in Subsidiaries that are Non-Loan Parties and not Loan Guarantors, provided that (A) any Equity Interests held by a Loan Party in any such Subsidiary shall be pledged pursuant to the Collateral Documents (subject to the limitations applicable to Equity Interests in a Foreign Subsidiary referred to in Section 5.12), (B) the aggregate amount of investments made by Loan Parties in Non-Loan Parties shall not exceed \$1,000,000 during any fiscal year of the Company and (C) the aggregate amount of (1) loans and advances made by Loan Parties to, and (2) Guarantees made by Loan Parties of Indebtedness of, Non-Loan Parties (excluding all intercompany loans and investments by and between a Loan Party and a Non-Loan Party, which are listed on Schedule 6.01(c) on the Effective Date) shall not exceed \$5,000,000 in the aggregate outstanding at any time (in each case determined without regard to any write-downs or write-offs); and
 - (ii) in the Borrowers and the Subsidiaries of the Borrowers that are Loan Parties;
- (d) loans or advances made by any Loan Party to another Loan Party or any Subsidiary and made by any Subsidiary to a Loan Party or any other Subsidiary; <u>provided</u> that the amount of such loans and advances made by Loan Parties to Non-Loan Parties shall be subject to the limitation set forth in <u>clause (c)(i)</u> of this <u>Section 6.04</u>;
- (e) Guarantees constituting Indebtedness permitted by Section 6.01; provided that the aggregate principal amount of Indebtedness of Non-Loan Parties that is Guaranteed by any Loan Party shall be subject to the limitation set forth in clause (c)(i) of this Section 6.04;
- (f) investments received in connection with the bankruptcy or reorganization of, or settlement of delinquent accounts and disputes with, customers and suppliers, in each case in the ordinary course of business;
 - (g) extension of trade credit in the ordinary course of business;
 - (h) Swap Agreements permitted by <u>Section 6.07</u>;
- (i) loans and advances made by a Loan Party or a Subsidiary to its officers, directors, and employees in the ordinary course of business for travel and entertainment expenses, relocation costs and similar purposes up to a maximum for all such loans and advances of \$750,000 in the aggregate at any one time outstanding;
- (j) Guarantees by a Loan Party or a Subsidiary of leases of any other Loan Party or Subsidiary (other than Capital Lease Obligations) entered into in the ordinary course of business; provided that the aggregate amount of Guarantees by Loan Parties of leases of Non-Loan Parties is subject at all time to the limitations set forth in <u>paragraph (c)(i)</u> of this <u>Section 6.04</u>;
 - $\hbox{(k)} \quad \hbox{endorsements of items for collection or deposit in the ordinary course of business;} \\$

- (l) any Loan Party may purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to a merger) all the Equity Interests in a domestic Person and may purchase or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of transactions) all or substantially all of the assets of any other domestic Person or all or substantially all of the assets of a division or branch of such domestic Person, if, with respect to each such acquisition:
 - (i) <u>Default</u>. No Default exists or would result therefrom;
- (ii) <u>Total Leverage Ratio</u>. The Total Leverage Ratio is 25 basis points less than the maximum Total Leverage Ratio permitted under <u>Section 7.02</u> at the time of making such acquisition (after giving pro forma effect to such acquisition and the Borrowings being made in connection therewith, and calculating Funded Debt as of such date of acquisition);
- Delivery and Notice Requirements. The Borrower Representative shall provide to Administrative Agent, prior to the consummation of the acquisition, the following: (A) notice of the acquisition, (B) the most recent financial statements of the target of the proposed acquisition (the "Target") that the Borrower Representative has available, (C) copies of the applicable purchase agreement and copies of such other documentation and information relating to the Target and the acquisition as Administrative Agent may reasonably request, (D) (i) if the total consideration for such purchase, hold or acquisition is equal to or greater than \$25,000,000, projected income and cash flow statements for the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries for the period through the Revolving Credit Maturity Date, prepared on a basis reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent, giving pro forma effect to proposed acquisition and any Indebtedness incurred in connection therewith and (ii) if the total consideration for such purchase, hold or acquisition is less than \$25,000,000, projected income and cash flow statements for the Target for a five year period, prepared on a basis reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (E) a certificate signed by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower certifying: (1) that the Company and its consolidated Subsidiaries shall be in Pro Forma Compliance, (2) that after giving effect to the acquisition in question, all representations and warranties contained in the Loan Documents will be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of the closing of the acquisition with the same force and effect as if such representations and warranties had been made on and as of such date, except to the extent that such representations and warranties relate specifically to an earlier date and provided that any such representations and warranties subject to a materiality qualifier must be true and correct in all respects on and as of the date of the closing of the acquisition, except to the extent that such representations and warranties relate specifically to an earlier date; (3) that no Default exists or will result from the acquisition; and (4) to the Company's calculation of its compliance with <u>clause (ii)</u> of this <u>clause (l)</u>;
- (iv) <u>Line of Business</u>. The Target is involved in (A) a type of business that is conducted by the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries or is reasonably related thereto, or (B) a business acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion;
- (v) <u>No Contested Acquisitions</u>. The proposed acquisition shall have been approved by the Board of Directors of the Target (or similar governing body if the Target is not a corporation) and no Person shall have announced that it will oppose the proposed acquisition;
- (vi) Additional Collateral. The Loan Parties shall have complied with their obligations under Section 5.12 as of the date required by such Section; and

- (vii) <u>Structure</u>. If the proposed acquisition is an acquisition of the stock or other Equity Interest issued by a Target, the acquisition will be structured so that the Target will become a wholly owned Domestic Subsidiary directly owned by a Loan Party or will be merged with or into any Loan Party. If the proposed acquisition is an acquisition of assets, the acquisition will be structured so that a Loan Party shall acquire the assets either directly or through a merger;
- (m) any Loan Party may purchase, hold or acquire (including pursuant to a merger) all the Equity Interests in a foreign Person and may purchase or otherwise acquire (in one transaction or a series of transactions) all or substantially all of the assets of any other foreign Person or all or substantially all of the assets of a division or branch of such foreign Person; provided, that (x) all such foreign acquisitions made by the Loan Parties during the term of this Agreement may not exceed \$100,000,000 in the aggregate and (y) with respect to each such foreign acquisition:
 - (i) Default. No Default exists or would result therefrom;
- (ii) <u>Total Leverage Ratio</u>. The Total Leverage Ratio is 25 basis points less than the maximum Total Leverage Ratio permitted under <u>Section 7.02</u> at the time of making such acquisition (after giving pro forma effect to such acquisition and the Borrowings being made in connection therewith, and calculating Funded Debt as of such date of acquisition);
- (iii) <u>Delivery and Notice Requirements</u>. The Borrower Representative shall provide to Administrative Agent, prior to the consummation of the acquisition, the following: (A) notice of the acquisition, (B) the most recent financial statements of the Target that the Borrower Representative has available, (C) copies of the applicable purchase agreement and copies of such other documentation and information relating to the Target and the acquisition as Administrative Agent may reasonably request, (D) projected income and cash flow statements for the Target for a five year period, prepared on a basis reasonably acceptable to the Administrative Agent and (E) a certificate signed by a Financial Officer of the CSW Borrower certifying: (1) that the Company shall be in Pro Forma Compliance, (2) that after giving effect to the acquisition in question, all representations and warranties contained in the Loan Documents will be true and correct in all material respects on and as of the date of the closing of the acquisition with the same force and effect as if such representations and warranties had been made on and as of such date, except to the extent that such representations and warranties relate specifically to an earlier date and provided that any such representations and warranties subject to a materiality qualifier must be true and correct in all respects on and as of the date of the closing of the acquisition, except to the extent that such representations and warranties relate specifically to an earlier date; (3) that no Default exists or will result from the acquisition; and (4) to the Company's calculation of its compliance with clause (ii) of this clause (m);
- (iv) <u>Line of Business</u>. The Target is involved in (A) a type of business that is conducted by the Loan Parties and the Subsidiaries or is reasonably related thereto, or (B) a business acceptable to the Administrative Agent in its reasonable discretion;
- (v) <u>No Contested Acquisitions</u>. The proposed acquisition shall have been approved by the Board of Directors of the Target (or similar governing body if the Target is not a corporation) and no Person shall have announced that it will oppose the proposed acquisition; and
- (vi) <u>Additional Collateral</u>. The Loan Parties shall have complied with their obligations under <u>Section 5.12</u> (if any) as of the date required by such Section;

- (n) promissory notes issued to the Loan Parties or any Subsidiaries by the purchasers of assets sold in accordance with Section 6.05, provided that (i) the aggregate face amount of all promissory notes issued in connection with assets sold pursuant to Section 6.05(o) shall not exceed \$4,000,000 in the aggregate at any time outstanding and (ii) the aggregate face amount of all promissory notes issued in connection with all other assets sold in accordance with Section 6.05 shall not exceed \$250,000 in the aggregate at any time outstanding;
- (o) the Loan Parties and any Subsidiaries may (i) acquire and hold obligations of future, present or former directors, officers, members of management, employees or consultants of the Loan Parties or any Subsidiaries or their respective estates, heirs, family members, spouses or former spouses in connection with such Person's acquisition of Equity Interests of the Company, provided that, the amount of such investments permitted by this <u>clause (o)</u> in the aggregate for the Loan Parties and any Subsidiaries shall not exceed \$500,000 at any time and (ii) redeem or repurchase Equity Interests of the Company to the extent permitted by <u>Section 6.08(k)</u>;
- (p) investments of any Person existing at the time such Person becomes a Subsidiary of the Company or consolidates or merges with the Company or any of its Subsidiaries (including in connection with an acquisition permitted under <u>clauses (l)</u> or <u>(m)</u> hereof) so long as such investments were not made in contemplation of such Person becoming a Subsidiary or of such merger;
 - (q) the capitalization or forgiveness of any Indebtedness owed to a Loan Party or any of its Subsidiaries by any Loan Party;
 - (r) investments specifically permitted pursuant to <u>Sections 6.03(d)</u> and <u>(g)</u>;
 - (s) investments specifically permitted pursuant to Sections 6.05(d), (e) and (s); and
- (t) so long as no Event of Default under clause (a), (b), (h), (i), (j) or (p) of Section 8.01 exists or would result therefrom, (x) investments by the Whitmore Borrower in the JV Entity in accordance with the JV Purchase Agreement and (y) other investments by the Whitmore Borrower in the JV Entity; <u>provided</u>, that the aggregate amount of all such investments permitted by this Section 6.04 in the JV Entity over the term of this Agreement shall not exceed \$35,000,000.

SECTION 6.05. <u>Asset Sales</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, sell, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of any asset, including any Equity Interest owned by it, nor will the Company and the Borrowers permit any Subsidiary to issue any additional Equity Interest in such Subsidiary, except:

- (a) sales of inventory in the ordinary course of business;
- (b) sales, transfers and dispositions of used or surplus equipment (including owned or leased vehicles) in the ordinary course of business;
- (c) sales, transfers and dispositions of Permitted Investments in the ordinary course of business and the use of cash in a manner not prohibited under this Agreement;
- (d) any Subsidiary may sell, transfer, lease or otherwise dispose of its assets to a Loan Party, provided, that to the extent such Subsidiary is a Non-Loan Party, such sale, transfer, lease or other disposition is on prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to such Loan Party than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties;

- (e) any Non-Loan Party may sell, transfer lease or otherwise dispose of its assets (including any Equity Interests owned by it) to another Non-Loan Party;
 - (f) the licensing or sublicensing of intellectual property in the ordinary course of business;
- (g) the lapse, abandonment or other disposition of intellectual property that is, in the reasonable and good faith judgment of a Loan Party, no longer economically practicable or commercially desirable to maintain, or useful in the conduct of business of the Loan Parties or any of the Subsidiaries;
 - (h) the leasing or subleasing of property to third parties in the ordinary course of business;
- (i) sales, forgiveness or discounting on a non-recourse basis and in the ordinary course of business, of past due accounts in connection with the collection or compromise thereof, or the settlement of delinquent accounts or in connection with the bankruptcy or reorganization of suppliers of customers;
- (j) dispositions resulting from casualty events, provided that the Net Proceeds thereof are applied in accordance with the provisions of <u>Section 2.10</u>;
- (k) cancellations of any intercompany Indebtedness owing by any Loan Party to any other Loan Party or any of their Subsidiaries;
- (l) any surrender or waiver of contractual rights or claims in the ordinary course of business or as deemed reasonably necessary by a Loan Party or a Subsidiary in connection with the settlement of litigation with a non-Affiliate;
 - (m) issuances of directors' qualifying shares in respect of any Foreign Subsidiary to the extent required by applicable law;
- (n) sales, transfers and dispositions of assets (including Equity Interests) specifically provided for in <u>Sections 6.03</u>, <u>6.04</u>, <u>6.06</u> and <u>6.08</u> (other than <u>Section 6.08(j)</u>);
 - (o) the sales of the Real Property identified on Schedule 6.05(o);
- (p) sales, transfers and other dispositions of assets (other than Equity Interests in a Subsidiary) that are not permitted by any other clause of this <u>Section 6.05</u>; <u>provided</u> that the aggregate fair market value of all assets sold, transferred or otherwise disposed of in reliance upon this <u>clause (p)</u> shall not exceed \$1,000,000 during any fiscal year of the Company; <u>provided further</u> that all sales, transfers, leases and other dispositions permitted by this <u>clause (p)</u> (other than those solely among the Loan Parties) shall be made for fair value and at least 80% cash consideration;
- (q) sales, transfers and other dispositions of all, but not less than all, of the Equity Interests in any of Balco, Inc. or Strathmore Holdings, LLC and/or in any of their wholly owned Subsidiaries; provided that all sales, transfers, leases and other dispositions permitted by this <u>clause (q)</u> (other than those solely among the Loan Parties) shall be made for fair value and at least 80% cash consideration;

- (r) the sale, transfer, lease or other disposition of the Headquarters Real Property in accordance with the terms of the Headquarters Loan Agreement;
- (s) the transfer or other disposition of Equity Interests in a Non-Loan Party to a Loan Party, so long as such transfer or other disposition is on prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to such Loan Party than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties; and
- (t) the sale, transfer, lease or other disposition of any asset by the Whitmore Borrower to the JV Entity in accordance with the terms and conditions of the JV Purchase Agreement as such agreement is in effect on the Second Amendment Effective Date.
- SECTION 6.06. <u>Sale and Leaseback Transactions</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any arrangement, directly or indirectly, whereby it shall sell or transfer any property, real or personal, used or useful in its business, whether now owned or hereinafter acquired, and thereafter rent or lease such property or other property that it intends to use for substantially the same purpose or purposes as the property sold or transferred (a "<u>Sale and Leaseback Transaction</u>"), except for any such sale of any fixed or capital assets by the Company or any Subsidiary that is made for cash consideration in an amount not less than the cost of such fixed or capital asset and is consummated within 90 days after the Company or such Subsidiary acquires or completes the construction of such fixed or capital asset.
- SECTION 6.07. <u>Swap Agreements</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, enter into any Swap Agreement, except that the Loan Parties may enter into (a) Swap Agreements entered into to hedge or mitigate risks to which the Company or any Subsidiary has actual exposure (other than those in respect of Equity Interests of the Company or any Subsidiary), and (b) Swap Agreements entered into in order to effectively cap, collar or exchange interest rates (from fixed to floating rates, from one floating rate to another floating rate or otherwise) with respect to any interest—bearing liability or investment of the Company or any Subsidiary.
- SECTION 6.08. Restricted Payments; Certain Payments of Indebtedness; Cash Payments Made in Respect of Plans. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, (1) declare or make, or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any Restricted Payment, or incur any obligation (contingent or otherwise) to do so or (2) make or agree to pay or make, directly or indirectly, any payment or other distribution (whether in cash securities or other property) of or in respect of principal of or interest on any Indebtedness, or any payment or other distribution (whether in cash, securities or other property), including any sinking fund or similar deposit, on account of the purchase, redemption, retirement, acquisition, cancellation or termination of any Indebtedness, except:
- (a) the Company may declare and pay dividends with respect to the Equity Interests it has issued payable solely in additional Equity Interests;
 - (b) Subsidiaries of the Company may declare and pay dividends ratably with respect to their Equity Interests;
- (c) the Company may declare and pay cash dividends if (i) no Default then exists or would result therefrom, (ii) the Total Leverage Ratio is less than 3.00 to 1.00, and (iii) the Borrower Representative provides the Administrative Agent evidence that after giving effect to such dividends, the Company shall be in compliance with <u>clause (ii)</u> of this subsection and in Pro Forma Compliance;

- (d) payments in respect of or relating to earnouts and seller financing, if (i) no Default then exists or would result therefrom, (ii) the Total Leverage Ratio is less than 3.00 to 1.00 both before and after giving effect to such payment, and (iii) the Borrower Representative provides the Administrative Agent evidence that after giving effect thereto, the Company shall be in compliance with clause (ii) of this subsection and in Pro Forma Compliance;
- (e) payments in respect of Indebtedness created under the Loan Documents and payments with respect to other Secured Obligations;
- (f) payments in respect of the Headquarters Loan and other obligations arising under or in connection with the Headquarters Loan Agreement and the Headquarters Loan Documents;
- (g) payment of regularly scheduled interest and principal payments as and when due in respect of (A) any Indebtedness permitted under Section 6.01 except Subordinated Indebtedness, and (B) so long as no Default then exists or would result therefrom, payments in respect of the Subordinated Indebtedness that are not prohibited by the subordination provisions of such Subordinated Indebtedness;
 - (h) refinancing of Indebtedness to the extent permitted by <u>Section 6.01</u>;
- (i) payment of secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of a sale, transfer or other disposition (including casualty events) of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness to the extent such sale, transfer or other disposition is permitted by the terms of Section 6.05;
- (j) to the extent the same would constitute payments restricted pursuant to this <u>Section 6.08</u>, the Loan Parties may enter into and consummate the transactions expressly permitted pursuant to any provision of <u>Section 6.04</u>, <u>Section 6.05</u> or <u>Section 6.09</u> (except any payment in respect of Plans) hereof (including the payment of fees and expenses arising in connection therewith or related thereto);
- (k) the Company may pay (and the Subsidiaries may make Restricted Payments to allow the Company to pay) for the redemption or repurchase of Equity Interests of the Company held by any future, present or former directors, officers, members of management, employees or consultants of the Loan Parties or any Subsidiaries or their respective estates, heirs, family members, spouses or former spouses, <u>provided</u> that such payments under this <u>Section 6.08(k)</u> (excluding non-cash repurchases of Equity Interests deemed to occur upon exercise of any options, warrants, or rights, if such repurchased Equity Interests represent a portion of the exercise price of the Equity Interests in respect of such options, warrants and rights are exercised) do not exceed \$500,000 in the aggregate in any fiscal year; and
- (l) the Company may pay (and the Subsidiaries may make Restricted Payments to allow the Company to pay) for the redemption or repurchase of Equity Interests of the Company held in the open market by Persons other than present or former directors, officers, members of management, employees or consultants of the Loan Parties or any Subsidiaries or their respective estates, heirs, family members, spouses or former spouses, if (i) no Default then exists or would result therefrom, (ii) the Total Leverage Ratio is less than 3.00 to 1.00 both before and after giving effect to such payment, and (iii) the Borrower Representative provides the Administrative Agent evidence that after giving effect thereto, the Company shall be in compliance with <u>clause (ii)</u> of this subsection and in Pro Forma Compliance.

SECTION 6.09. <u>Transactions with Affiliates</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, sell, lease or otherwise transfer any property or assets to, or purchase, lease or otherwise acquire any property or assets from, or otherwise engage in any other transactions with, any of its Affiliates or any Non-Loan Parties, except (a) transactions in the ordinary course of business that are at

prices and on terms and conditions not less favorable to such Loan Party or such Subsidiary than could be obtained on an arm's-length basis from unrelated third parties, (b) transactions between or among Non-Loan Parties, (c) transactions between or among the Loan Parties not involving any other Non-Loan Party or Affiliate, (d) any Restricted Payment permitted by Section 6.08, (e) transactions expressly permitted by Sections 6.01(c)(i), (c)(iv), (d)(i), (d)(iv), (i) or (j); 6.02(i); 6.03; 6.04(c)(i), (d), (e), (i), (j), (o) or (t); and 6.05(d), (e), (k), (s) and (t), and (f) any transaction between the Whitmore Borrower and the JV Entity not specified in Section 6.04(t) or Section 6.05(t), but only so long as such transaction is on commercially reasonably terms and conditions. For the avoidance of doubt, any cash payments made by any Loan Party to any other Loan Party, any Subsidiary or Affiliate with respect to any Plan, Multiemployer Plan, ESOP or any other employee benefit plan in which the employees of a Loan Party participate or with respect to which a Loan Party may otherwise have any liability, shall be prohibited by this Section 6.09 unless specifically permitted pursuant to clauses (a) through (e) above.

SECTION 6.10. Restrictive Agreements. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, directly or indirectly, enter into, incur or permit to exist any agreement or other arrangement that prohibits, restricts or imposes any condition upon (a) the ability of such Loan Party or any Subsidiary to create, incur or permit to exist any Lien for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and/or any one or more of the Secured Parties, upon any of its property or assets, or (b) the ability of any Subsidiary to pay dividends or other distributions with respect to any Equity Interests it has issued or to make or repay loans or advances to the Company, any Borrower or any other Subsidiary or to Guarantee Indebtedness of the Company, any Borrower or any other Subsidiary; provided that (i) the foregoing shall not apply to (A) restrictions and conditions imposed by law or by any Loan Document, (B) restrictions and conditions imposed under the Headquarters Loan Agreement or the Headquarters Loan Documents, (C) customary restrictions and conditions contained in agreements relating to the sale of all or a substantial part of the capital stock or assets of any Loan Party or Subsidiary pending such sale, provided (1) such restrictions and conditions apply only to the applicable Loan Parties, Subsidiaries or assets to be sold and (2) such sale is permitted under this Agreement, (D) restrictions and conditions existing on the Effective Date identified on Schedule 6.10 (but shall apply to any extension or renewal of, or any amendment or modification expanding the scope of, any such restriction or condition) and (E) such restrictions and conditions applicable to any Subsidiary, but only to the extent applicable to such Subsidiary, acquired after the date hereof if such restrictions and conditions existed at the time such Subsidiary was acquired and were not created in anticipation of such acquisition and (ii) <u>clause (a)</u> of the foregoing shall not apply to (A) restrictions or conditions imposed by any agreement relating to secured Indebtedness permitted by this Agreement if such restrictions or conditions apply only to the property securing such Indebtedness, (B) customary provisions in leases, licenses and contracts restricting the assignment thereof, (C) restrictions or conditions imposed by the JV Purchase Agreement as such agreement is in effect on the Second Amendment Effective Date.

SECTION 6.11. Amendment of Material Documents; Subordinated Indebtedness. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, amend, modify or waive any of its material rights under its certificate of formation, by-laws, operating or partnership agreement, or other organizational documents, except for amendments that are not materially adverse (from the perspective of a secured lender) to the interests of any of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Banks, the Swingline Lender and/or any one or more of the Lenders. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, amend or modify any agreement in respect of Subordinated Indebtedness, except immaterial amendments (a) not affecting any of the provisions required pursuant to the definition of Subordinated Indebtedness, (b) not materially adverse to the interests of any of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, the Swingline Lender and/or any one or more of the Lenders, or (c) otherwise permitted pursuant to the terms of the subordination provisions of, or applicable to, such Subordinated Indebtedness.

SECTION 6.12. <u>Change in Fiscal Year</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to, change the manner in which either the last day of its fiscal year or the last days of the first three fiscal quarters of its fiscal year is calculated.

SECTION 6.13. <u>Governmental Regulations</u>. No Loan Party will, nor will it permit any Subsidiary to: (a) be or become subject at any time to any law, rule or regulation, or list of any Governmental Authority (including the U.S. Office of Foreign Asset Control list) that prohibits or limits the Lenders from making any advance or extension of credit to the Borrowers or from otherwise conducting business with the Borrowers, or (b) fail to provide documentary and other evidence of any Borrower's identity as may be requested by any Lender at any time to enable each Lender to verify its identity or to comply with any applicable laws, rules and regulations, including Section 326 of the USA Patriot Act of 2001, 31 U.S.C. Section 5318.

SECTION 6.14. <u>Use of Proceeds</u>. No Borrower will request any Borrowing or Letter of Credit, and no Borrower shall use, and the Company and each Borrower shall procure that its Subsidiaries and its or their respective directors, officers, employees and agents shall not use, the proceeds of any Borrowing or Letter of Credit (A) in furtherance of an offer, payment, promise to pay, or authorization of the payment or giving of money, or anything else of value, to any Person in violation of any Anti-Corruption Laws, (B) for the purpose of funding, financing or facilitating any activities, business or transaction of or with any Sanctioned Person, or in any Sanctioned Country, or (C) in any manner that would result in the violation of any Sanctions applicable to any party hereto.

ARTICLE VII

Financial Covenants

Until the Commitments shall have expired or been terminated and the principal of and interest on each Loan and all fees, expenses and other amounts payable under any Loan Document shall have been paid in full and all Letters of Credit shall have expired or terminated (in each case without any pending draw) or been Cash Collateralized, and all LC Disbursements shall have been reimbursed, each Loan Party executing this Agreement covenants and agrees, jointly and severally with all of the other Loan Parties, with the Lenders that:

SECTION 7.01. <u>Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio</u>. The Company will not permit the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio to be less than 1.25 to 1.00 as of the last day of any fiscal quarter of the Company for the four-fiscal quarter period then ended.

SECTION 7.02. <u>Total Leverage Ratio</u>. The Company will not permit the Total Leverage Ratio, as of the last day of any fiscal quarter of the Company, to be greater than 3.00 to 1.00; <u>provided</u>, that for any period of six consecutive fiscal quarters commencing on the first day of the fiscal quarter during which the Company or any of its Subsidiaries consummates any acquisition permitted pursuant to the terms of <u>Sections 6.04(l)</u> and (<u>m)</u> in excess of (a) \$25,000,000 amount of consideration for such acquisition or (b) acquisitions aggregating \$50,000,000 of consideration in any two fiscal quarters, and in each case ending on the last day of the sixth fiscal quarter following such date, the maximum permitted Total Leverage Ratio shall be increased to 3.75 to 1.00.

ARTICLE VIII

Events of Default

SECTION 8.01. Events of Default; Remedies. If any of the following events ("Events of Default") shall occur:

- (a) the Borrowers shall fail to pay any principal of any Loan or any reimbursement obligation in respect of any LC Disbursement when and as the same shall become due and payable, whether at the due date thereof or at a date fixed for prepayment thereof or otherwise;
- (b) the Borrowers shall fail to pay any interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount (other than an amount referred to in <u>clause (a)</u> of this <u>Section 8.01</u>) payable under this Agreement or any other Loan Document, when and as the same shall become due and payable, and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of five (5) Business Days;
- (c) any representation, warranty or certification made or deemed made by or on behalf of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary in or in connection with any Loan Document or any amendment or modification thereof or waiver thereunder, or in any report, certificate, financial statement or other document furnished pursuant to or in connection with any Loan Document or any amendment or modification thereof or waiver thereunder, shall prove to have been incorrect in any material respect (except for any representation or warranty that is qualified by materiality, Material Adverse Effect or similar phrase which shall prove to be incorrect in any respect) when made or deemed made:
- (d) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in Section 5.01 (other than clause (d), (e), (f) or (g) of Section 5.01), Section 5.02, Section 5.03 (with respect to the existence of the Loan Parties or Subsidiaries), Section 5.10, Section 5.11, Section 5.12 or Article VI or Article VII of this Agreement, or in Article IV of the Security Agreement;
- (e) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall fail to observe or perform any covenant, condition or agreement contained in any Loan Document (other than a breach which constitutes an Event of Default under another Section of this Section 8.01), and such failure shall continue unremedied for a period of thirty (30) days after the earlier of (i) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary having knowledge of such failure and (ii) notice thereof from the Administrative Agent to the Borrower Representative (which notice will be given at the request of any Lender);
- (f) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall fail to make any payment (whether of principal or interest and regardless of amount) in respect of any Material Indebtedness, when and as the same shall become due and payable (after giving effect to any applicable cure or grace period);
- (g) any event or condition occurs that results in any Material Indebtedness or the Headquarters Loan becoming due prior to its scheduled maturity or that enables or permits (with or without the giving of notice, the lapse of time or both) the holder or holders of any Material Indebtedness, or any trustee or agent on behalf of any such holder of Indebtedness to cause any Material Indebtedness to become due, or to require the prepayment, repurchase, redemption or defeasance thereof, prior to its scheduled maturity; provided that this <u>clause (g)</u> shall not apply to secured Indebtedness that becomes due as a result of the voluntary sale, transfer or other disposition of the property or assets securing such Indebtedness to the extent such sale, transfer or other disposition is permitted by the terms of <u>Section 6.05</u>;

- (h) an involuntary proceeding shall be commenced or an involuntary petition shall be filed seeking (i) liquidation, reorganization or other relief in respect of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary, or its debts, or of a substantial part of its assets, under any Debtor Relief Law or federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect or (ii) the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official for any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or for a substantial part of its assets, and, in any such case, such proceeding or petition shall continue undismissed for 90 days or an order or decree approving or ordering any of the foregoing shall be entered;
- (i) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall (i) voluntarily commence any proceeding or file any petition seeking liquidation, reorganization or other relief under any Debtor Relief Law or federal, state or foreign bankruptcy, insolvency, receivership or similar law now or hereafter in effect, (ii) consent to the institution of, or fail to contest in a timely and appropriate manner, any proceeding or petition described in <u>clause (h)</u> of this Section, (iii) apply for or consent to the appointment of a receiver, trustee, custodian, sequestrator, conservator or similar official of such Loan Party or Subsidiary, or for a substantial part of its assets, (iv) file an answer admitting the material allegations of a petition filed against it in any such proceeding, (v) make a general assignment for the benefit of creditors or (vi) take any action for the purpose of effecting any of the foregoing;
- (j) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall become unable, admit in writing its inability or fail generally to pay its debts as they become due;
- (k) one or more judgments for the payment of money in an aggregate amount in excess of \$1,500,000 shall be rendered against any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or any combination thereof and the same shall remain undischarged for a period of sixty (60) consecutive days during which execution shall not be effectively stayed, or any action shall be legally taken by a judgment creditor to attach or levy upon any assets of any Loan Party or any Subsidiary to enforce any such judgment;
- (l) an ERISA Event shall have occurred that, when taken together with all other ERISA Events that have occurred, could reasonably be expected to have a Material Adverse Effect;
- (m) any Lien purported to be created under any Collateral Document shall cease to be, or shall be asserted by any Loan Party, any Subsidiary, or any of their Affiliates not to be, a valid and perfected Lien on any material Collateral, with the priority required hereby, except (i) as a result of the sale or other disposition of the applicable Collateral in a transaction permitted under the Loan Documents or (ii) as a result of the Administrative Agent's failure to maintain possession of any stock certificates, promissory notes or other instruments delivered to it under the Collateral Documents;
- (n) any material provision of any Loan Document shall cease for any reason to be in full force and effect, or any Collateral Document shall cease to give the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, the Liens purported to be created thereby (other than with respect to an immaterial portion of the Collateral and except to the extent resulting from the failure of the Administrative Agent to maintain possession of Collateral as to which the Liens thereon are perfected solely by possession or from a sale, transfer or other disposition of such Collateral permitted hereby or by any Collateral Document), or any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall so state in writing;
- (o) any Loan Party or any Subsidiary shall suffer any uninsured, un-indemnified or under insured loss of Collateral in excess of \$1,500,000;
 - (p) a Change in Control shall occur;

- (q) any "Event of Default" (as defined in the Headquarters Loan Agreement); or
- (r) the Loan Guaranty or any Obligation Guaranty shall fail to remain in full force or effect or any action shall be taken to discontinue or to assert the invalidity or unenforceability of the Loan Guaranty or any Obligation Guaranty, or any Guarantor shall fail to comply with any of the terms or provisions of the Loan Guaranty or any Obligation Guaranty to which it is a party, or any Guarantor shall deny that it has any further liability under the Loan Guaranty or any Obligation Guaranty to which it is a party, or shall give notice to such effect, including, but not limited to notice of termination delivered pursuant to Section 11.08 or any notice of termination delivered pursuant to the terms of any Obligation Guaranty;

then, and in every such event (other than an event with respect to the Borrowers, another Loan Party or any Subsidiary described in clause (h) or (i) of this Section), and at any time thereafter during the continuance of such event, the Administrative Agent may, and at the request of the Required Lenders shall, by notice to the Borrower Representative, take either or both of the following actions, at the same or different times: (i) terminate the Commitments (including any commitment of Chase to make Swingline Loans), and thereupon the Commitments shall terminate immediately, (ii) declare the Loans then outstanding to be due and payable in whole (or in part, in which case any principal not so declared to be due and payable may thereafter be declared to be due and payable), and thereupon the principal of the Loans so declared to be due and payable, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Borrowers accrued hereunder, shall become due and payable immediately, without presentment, demand, protest, notice of intent to accelerate, notice of acceleration or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrowers, and (iii) require Cash Collateral for the LC Exposure in accordance with Section 2.05(j) hereof; and in case of any event with respect to the Borrowers, another Loan Party or any Subsidiary described in clause (h) or (i) of this Section, the Commitments (including any commitment of Chase to make Swingline Loans) shall automatically terminate and the principal of the Loans then outstanding, and Cash Collateral for the LC Exposure, together with accrued interest thereon and all fees and other obligations of the Borrowers accrued hereunder, shall automatically become due and payable, without presentment, demand, protest, notice of intent to accelerate, notice of acceleration or other notice of any kind, all of which are hereby waived by the Borrowers. In addition, if any Event of Default exists, the Administrative Agent may (and if directed by the Required Lenders, shall) foreclose or otherwise enforce any Lien granted to the Administrative Agent, for the benefit of the Secured Parties, to secure payment and performance of the Obligations in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents and exercise any and all rights and remedies afforded by the laws of the State of New York or any other jurisdiction, by any of the Loan Documents, by equity, or otherwise.

SECTION 8.02. <u>Performance by the Administrative Agent</u>. If any Loan Party shall fail to perform any covenant or agreement in accordance with the terms of the Loan Documents, the Administrative Agent may, and shall at the direction of the Required Lenders, after notice to the Borrower Representative, perform or attempt to perform such covenant or agreement on behalf of the applicable Loan Party. In such event, the Loan Parties shall, at the request of the Administrative Agent, promptly pay any amount expended by the Administrative Agent or the Lenders in connection with such performance or attempted performance to the Administrative Agent, together with interest thereon at the interest rate provided for in <u>Section 2.12(c)</u> from and including the date of such expenditure to but excluding the date such expenditure is paid in full. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it is expressly agreed that neither the Administrative Agent nor any Lender shall have any liability or responsibility for the performance of any obligation of any Loan Party under any Loan Document.

ARTICLE IX

The Administrative Agent

SECTION 9.01 <u>Appointment</u>. Each of the Lenders, on behalf of itself and any of its Affiliates that are Secured Parties, and the Issuing Bank hereby irrevocably appoints JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association as its agent and authorizes the Administrative Agent to take such actions on its behalf, including execution of the other Loan Documents, and to exercise such powers as are delegated to the Administrative Agent by the terms of the Loan Documents, together with such actions and powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. In addition, to the extent required under the laws of any jurisdiction other than the U.S., each of the Lenders and the Issuing Bank hereby grants to the Administrative Agent any required powers of attorney to execute any Collateral Document governed by the laws of such jurisdiction on such Lender's or Issuing Bank's behalf. The provisions of this Article are solely for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders (including the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank), and the Loan Parties shall not have rights as a third party beneficiary of any of such provisions. It is understood and agreed that the use of the term "agent" as used herein or in any other Loan Documents (or any similar term) with reference to the Administrative Agent is not intended to connote any fiduciary or other implied (or express) obligations arising under agency doctrine of any applicable law. Instead, such term is used as a matter of market custom, and is intended to create or reflect only an administrative relationship between independent contracting parties.

SECTION 9.02 <u>Rights as a Lender</u>. The bank serving as the Administrative Agent hereunder shall have the same rights and powers in its capacity as a Lender as any other Lender and may exercise the same as though it were not the Administrative Agent, and such bank and its Affiliates may accept deposits from, lend money to and generally engage in any kind of business with any Loan Party or any Subsidiary or any Affiliate thereof as if it were not the Administrative Agent hereunder.

SECTION 9.03 <u>Duties and Obligations</u>. The Administrative Agent shall not have any duties or obligations except those expressly set forth in the Loan Documents. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, (a) the Administrative Agent shall not be subject to any fiduciary or other implied duties, regardless of whether a Default has occurred and is continuing, (b) the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to take any discretionary action or exercise any discretionary powers, except discretionary rights and powers expressly contemplated by the Loan Documents that the Administrative Agent is required to exercise as directed in writing by the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 10.02), and, (c) except as expressly set forth in the Loan Documents, the Administrative Agent shall not have any duty to disclose, and shall not be liable for the failure to disclose, any information relating to any Loan Party or any Subsidiary that is communicated to or obtained by the bank serving as Administrative Agent or any of its Affiliates in any capacity. The Administrative Agent shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it with the consent or at the request of the Required Lenders (or such other number or percentage of the Lenders as shall be necessary under the circumstances as provided in Section 10.02) or in the absence of its own gross negligence or willful misconduct as determined by a final nonappealable judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction. The Administrative Agent shall be deemed not to have knowledge of any Default unless and until written notice thereof is given to the Administrative Agent by the Borrower Representative or a Lender, and the Administrative Agent shall not be responsible for or have any duty to ascertain or inquire into (i) any statement, warranty or representation made in or in connection with any Loan Document, (ii) the contents of any certificate, report or other document delivered hereunder or in connection with any Loan Document, (iii) the performance or observance of any of the covenants, agreements or other terms or conditions set forth in any Loan Document, (iv) the

validity, enforceability, effectiveness or genuineness of any Loan Document or any other agreement, instrument or document, (v) the creation, perfection or priority of Liens on the Collateral or the existence of the Collateral or (vi) the satisfaction of any condition set forth in Article_IV or elsewhere in any Loan Document, other than to confirm receipt of items expressly required to be delivered to the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 9.04 <u>Reliance</u>. The Administrative Agent shall be entitled to rely upon, and shall not incur any liability for relying upon, any notice, request, certificate, consent, statement, instrument, document or other writing believed by it to be genuine and to have been signed or sent by the proper Person. The Administrative Agent also may rely upon any statement made to it orally or by telephone and believed by it to be made by the proper Person, and shall not incur any liability for relying thereon. The Administrative Agent may consult with legal counsel (who may be counsel for the Borrowers), independent accountants and other experts selected by it, and shall not be liable for any action taken or not taken by it in accordance with the advice of any such counsel, accountants or experts.

SECTION 9.05 <u>Actions through Sub-Agents</u>. The Administrative Agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers by or through any one or more sub-agents appointed by the Administrative Agent. The Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent may perform any and all of its duties and exercise its rights and powers through their respective Related Parties. The exculpatory provisions of the preceding paragraphs shall apply to any such sub-agent and to the Related Parties of the Administrative Agent and any such sub-agent, and shall apply to their respective activities in connection with the syndication of the credit facilities provided for herein as well as activities as the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 9.06 Resignation. Subject to the appointment and acceptance of a successor Administrative Agent as provided in this paragraph, the Administrative Agent may resign at any time by notifying the Lenders, the Issuing Bank and the Borrower Representative. Upon any such resignation, the Required Lenders shall have the right, in consultation with the Borrowers, to appoint a successor. If no successor shall have been so appointed by the Required Lenders and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its resignation, then the retiring Administrative Agent may, on behalf of the Lenders and the Issuing Bank, appoint a successor Administrative Agent which shall be a bank with an office in New York, New York, or an Affiliate of any such bank. Upon the acceptance of its appointment as Administrative Agent hereunder by its successor, such successor shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Administrative Agent, and the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents. The fees payable by the Borrowers to a successor Administrative Agent shall be the same as those payable to its predecessor, unless otherwise agreed by the Borrowers and such successor. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event no successor Administrative Agent shall have been so appointed and shall have accepted such appointment within thirty (30) days after the retiring Administrative Agent gives notice of its intent to resign, the retiring Administrative Agent may give notice of the effectiveness of its resignation to the Lenders, the Issuing Bank and the Borrowers, whereupon, on the date of effectiveness of such resignation stated in such notice, (a) the retiring Administrative Agent shall be discharged from its duties and obligations hereunder and under the other Loan Documents, provided that, solely for purposes of maintaining any security interest granted to the Administrative Agent under any Collateral Document for the benefit of the Secured Parties, the retiring Administrative Agent shall continue to be vested with such security interest as collateral agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties and, in the case of any Collateral in the possession of the Administrative Agent, shall continue to hold such Collateral, in each case until such time as a successor Administrative Agent is appointed and accepts such appointment in accordance

with this paragraph (it being understood and agreed that the retiring Administrative Agent shall have no duly or obligation to take any further action under any Collateral Document, including any action required to maintain the perfection of any such security interest), and (b) the Required Lenders shall succeed to and become vested with all the rights, powers, privileges and duties of the retiring Administrative Agent, provided that (i) all payments required to be made hereunder or under any other Loan Document to the Administrative Agent for the account of any Person other than the Administrative Agent shall be made directly to such Person and (ii) all notices and other communications required or contemplated to be given or made to the Administrative Agent shall also directly be given or made to each Lender and the Issuing Bank. Following the effectiveness of the Administrative Agent's resignation from its capacity as such, the provisions of this Article, Section 2.16(d) and Section 10.03, as well as any exculpatory, reimbursement and indemnification provisions set forth in any other Loan Document, shall continue in effect for the benefit of such retiring Administrative Agent, its sub-agents and their respective Related Parties in respect of any actions taken or omitted to be taken by any of them while it was acting as Administrative Agent and in respect of the matters referred to in the proviso under clause (a) of this Section 9.06.

SECTION 9.07 Non-Reliance.

- (a) Each Lender acknowledges and agrees that the extensions of credit made hereunder are commercial loans and letters of credit and not investments in a business enterprise or securities. Each Lender further represents that it is engaged in making, acquiring or holding commercial loans in the ordinary course of its business and has, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any arranger of this credit facility or any amendment thereto or any other Lender and their respective Related Parties and based on such documents and information as it has deemed appropriate, made its own credit analysis and decision to enter into this Agreement as a Lender, and to make, acquire or hold Loans hereunder. Each Lender shall, independently and without reliance upon the Administrative Agent, any arranger of this credit facility or any amendment thereto or any other Lender and their respective Related Parties and based on such documents and information (which may contain material, nonpublic information within the meaning of the U.S. securities laws concerning the Borrowers and their Affiliates) as it shall from time to time deem appropriate, continue to make its own decisions in taking or not taking action under or based upon this Agreement, any other Loan Document, any related agreement or any document furnished hereunder or thereunder and in deciding whether or to the extent to which it will continue as a Lender or assign or otherwise transfer its rights, interests and obligations hereunder.
- (b) Each Lender hereby agrees that (i) it has requested a copy of each Report prepared by or on behalf of the Administrative Agent; (ii) the Administrative Agent (A) makes no representation or warranty, express or implied, as to the completeness or accuracy of any Report or any of the information contained therein or any inaccuracy or omission contained in or relating to a Report and (B) shall not be liable for any information contained in any Report; (iii) the Reports are not comprehensive audits or examinations, and that any Person performing any field examination will inspect only specific information regarding the Loan Parties and will rely significantly upon the Loan Parties' books and records, as well as on representations of the Loan Parties' personnel and that the Administrative Agent undertakes no obligation to update, correct or supplement the Reports; (iv) it will keep all Reports confidential and strictly for its internal use, not share the Report with any Loan Party or any other Person except as otherwise permitted pursuant to this Agreement; and (v) without limiting the generality of any other indemnification provision contained in this Agreement, (A) it will hold the Administrative Agent and any such other Person preparing a Report harmless from any action the indemnifying Lender may take or conclusion the indemnifying Lender may reach or draw from any Report in connection with any extension of credit that the indemnifying Lender has made or may make to the Borrowers, or the

indemnifying Lender's participation in, or the indemnifying Lender's purchase of, a Loan or Loans; and (B) it will pay and protect, and indemnify, defend, and hold the Administrative Agent and any such other Person preparing a Report harmless from and against, the claims, actions, proceedings, damages, costs, expenses, and other amounts (including reasonable attorneys' fees) incurred by the Administrative Agent or any such other Person as the direct or indirect result of any third parties who might obtain all or part of any Report through the indemnifying Lender.

SECTION 9.08 <u>Other Agency Titles</u>. No Joint Lead Arranger, Joint Bookrunner, Syndication Agent or Documentation Agent shall have any right, power, obligation, liability, responsibility or duty under this Agreement other than those applicable to all Lenders as such. Without limiting the foregoing, none of such Lenders shall have or be deemed to have a fiduciary relationship with any Lender. Each Lender hereby makes the same acknowledgments with respect to the relevant Lenders in their respective capacities as Joint Lead Arranger, Joint Bookrunner, Syndication Agent or Documentation Agent, as applicable, as it makes with respect to the Administrative Agent in the preceding paragraph.

SECTION 9.09 Not Partners or Co-Venturers; Administrative Agent as Representative of the Secured Parties. (a) The Lenders are not partners or co-venturers, and no Lender shall be liable for the acts or omissions of, or (except as otherwise set forth herein in case of the Administrative Agent) authorized to act for, any other Lender. The Administrative Agent shall have the exclusive right on behalf of the Lenders to enforce the payment of the principal of and interest on any Loan after the date such principal or interest has become due and payable pursuant to the terms of this Agreement.

(b) In its capacity, the Administrative Agent is a "representative" of the Secured Parties within the meaning of the term "secured party" as defined in the UCC. Each Lender authorizes the Administrative Agent to enter into each of the Collateral Documents to which it is a party and to take all action contemplated by such documents. Each Lender agrees that no Secured Party (other than the Administrative Agent) shall have the right individually to seek to realize upon the security granted by any Collateral Document, it being understood and agreed that such rights and remedies may be exercised solely by the Administrative Agent for the benefit of the Secured Parties upon the terms of the Collateral Documents. In the event that any Collateral is hereafter pledged by any Person as collateral security for the Secured Obligations, the Administrative Agent is hereby authorized, and hereby granted a power of attorney, to execute and deliver on behalf of the Secured Parties any Loan Documents necessary or appropriate to grant and perfect a Lien on such Collateral in favor of the Administrative Agent on behalf of the Secured Parties.

ARTICLE X

Miscellaneous

SECTION 10.01 Notices.

(a) Except in the case of notices and other communications expressly permitted to be given by telephone or Electronic Systems (and subject in each case to <u>paragraph (b)</u> below), all notices and other communications provided for herein shall be in writing and shall be delivered by hand or overnight courier service, mailed by certified or registered mail or sent by fax, as follows:

(i) if to any Loan Party, to it in care of the Borrower Representative at:

CSW Industrials Holdings, Inc.

5400 LBJ Freeway

Suite 1300

Dallas, TX 75240

Attention: Gregg Branning Telephone: (214) 884-3828

Fax: (214) 279-7101

(ii) if to the Administrative Agent in the case of Borrowings denominated in Dollars, the Swingline Lender, or the Issuing Bank, to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. at:

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association

2200 Ross Avenue, 8th Floor

Dallas, Texas 75201

Attention: Alexander M. Vardaman

Telephone: (214) 965-3275 Fax: (214) 965-3024

Loan and Agency Services Group

10 South Dearborn, Floor L2 Chicago, IL 60603-2300 Attention: Yuvette Owens

Fax: (888) 303-9732

(iii) if to the Administrative Agent in the case of Borrowings denominated in Foreign Currencies, to:

J.P. Morgan Europe Limited

25 Bank Street, Canary Wharf

London E14 5JP

Attention of The Manager, Loan & Agency Services

Fax No: 44 207 777 2360

Email: loan_and_agency_london@jpmorgan.com

(iv) if to any other Lender, to it at its address or fax number set forth in its Administrative Questionnaire.

All such notices and other communications (i) sent by hand or overnight courier service, or mailed by certified or registered mail shall be deemed to have been given when received, (ii) sent by fax shall be deemed to have been given when sent, provided that if not given during normal business hours for the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day of the recipient, or (iii) delivered through Electronic Systems to the extent provided in <u>paragraph (b)</u> below shall be effective as provided in such paragraph.

- (b) Notices and other communications to the Lenders hereunder may be delivered or furnished by Electronic Systems pursuant to procedures approved by the Administrative Agent; provided that the foregoing shall not apply to notices pursuant to Article II or to compliance and no Default certificates delivered pursuant to Section 5.01(c) unless otherwise agreed by the Administrative Agent and the applicable Lender. Each of the Administrative Agent and the Borrower Representative (on behalf of the Loan Parties) may, in its discretion, agree to accept notices and other communications to it hereunder by Electronic Systems pursuant to procedures approved by it; provided that approval of such procedures may be limited to particular notices or communications. Unless the Administrative Agent otherwise proscribes, all such notices and other communications (i) sent to an e-mail address shall be deemed received upon the sender's receipt of an acknowledgement from the intended recipient (such as by the "return receipt requested" function, as available, return e-mail or other written acknowledgement), provided that if not given during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or a communication shall be deemed to have been given at the opening of business on the next Business Day for the recipient, and (ii) posted to an Internet or intranet website shall be deemed received upon the deemed receipt by the intended recipient, at its e-mail address as described in the foregoing clause (i), of notification that such notice or communication is available and identifying the website address therefor; provided that, for both clauses (i) and (ii) of this Section 10.01, if such notice, e-mail or other communication is not sent during the normal business hours of the recipient, such notice or communication shall be deemed to have been sent at the opening of business on the next Business Day of the recipient.
- (c) Any party hereto may change its address, facsimile number or e-mail address for notices and other communications hereunder by notice to the other parties hereto. All notices and other communications given to any party hereto in accordance with the provisions of this Agreement shall be deemed to have been given on the date of receipt.
 - (d) Electronic Systems.
- (i) Each Loan Party agrees that the Administrative Agent may, but shall not be obligated to, make Communications (as defined below) available to the Issuing Bank and the other Lenders by posting the Communications on Debt Domain, Intralinks, Syndtrak, ClearPar or a substantially similar Electronic System.
- (ii) Any Electronic System used by the Administrative Agent is provided "as is" and "as available." The Agent Parties (as defined below) do not warrant the adequacy of such Electronic Systems and expressly disclaim liability for errors or omissions in the Communications. No warranty of any kind, express, implied or statutory, including any warranty of merchantability, fitness for a particular purpose, non-infringement of third-party rights or freedom from viruses or other code defects, is made by any Agent Party in connection with the Communications or any Electronic System. In no event shall the Administrative Agent or any of its Related Parties (collectively, the "Agent Parties") have any liability to any Borrower or the other Loan Parties, any Lender, the Issuing Bank or any other Person or entity for damages of any kind, including direct or indirect, special, incidental or consequential damages, losses or expenses (whether in tort, contract or otherwise) arising out of any Borrower's, any Loan Party's or the Administrative Agent's transmission of communications through an Electronic System. "Communications" means, collectively, any notice, demand, communication, information, document or other material provided by or on behalf of any Loan Party pursuant to any Loan Document or the transactions contemplated therein which is distributed by the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the Issuing Bank by means of electronic communications pursuant to this Section, including through an Electronic System.

SECTION 10.02 Waivers; Amendments.

- (a) No failure or delay by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender in exercising any right or power hereunder or under any other Loan Document shall operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any such right or power, or any abandonment or discontinuance of steps to enforce such a right or power, preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or power. The rights and remedies of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders hereunder and under any other Loan Document are cumulative and are not exclusive of any rights or remedies that they would otherwise have. No waiver of any provision of any Loan Document or consent to any departure by any Loan Party therefrom shall in any event be effective unless the same shall be permitted by <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section, and then such waiver or consent shall be effective only in the specific instance and for the purpose for which given. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the making of a Loan or issuance of a Letter of Credit shall not be construed as a waiver of any Default, regardless of whether the Administrative Agent, any Lender or the Issuing Bank may have had notice or knowledge of such Default at the time.
- Neither this Agreement nor any other Loan Document nor any provision hereof or thereof may be waived, amended or modified except (i) in the case of this Agreement, pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrowers and the Required Lenders or (ii) in the case of any other Loan Document, pursuant to an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Administrative Agent and the Loan Party or Loan Parties that are parties thereto, with the consent of the Required Lenders; provided that no such agreement shall (A) increase the Commitment of any Lender without the written consent of such Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender), (B) reduce or forgive the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement or reduce the rate of interest thereon, or reduce or forgive any interest or fees payable hereunder, without the written consent of each Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby (except that any amendment or modification of the financial covenants in this Agreement (or defined terms used in the financial covenants in this Agreement) shall not constitute a reduction in the rate of interest or fees for purposes of this clause (B)), (C) postpone any scheduled date of payment of the principal amount of any Loan or LC Disbursement, or any date for the payment of any interest, fees or other Obligations payable hereunder, or reduce the amount of, waive or excuse any such payment (except that only the consent of the Required Lenders shall be required to eliminate, change, reduce the amount of, or extend the payment date for, any prepayment required by Section 2.10(c)), or postpone the scheduled date of expiration of any Commitment, without the written consent of each Lender (including any such Lender that is a Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby, (D) change Section 2.17(b) or (d) in a manner that would alter the manner in which payments are shared, without the written consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), (E) change any of the provisions of this Section or the definition of "Required Lenders" or any other provision of any Loan Document specifying the number or percentage of Lenders (or Lenders of any Class) required to waive, amend or modify any rights thereunder or make any determination or grant any consent thereunder, without the written consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender) directly affected thereby, (F) change Section 2.19, without the consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), (G) release any Guarantor from its obligation under its Loan Guaranty or Obligation Guaranty (except as otherwise permitted herein or in the other Loan Documents), without the written consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), (H) except as provided in clause (c) of this Section or in any Collateral Document, release all or substantially all of the Collateral without the written consent of each Lender (other than any Defaulting Lender), (I) except as permitted pursuant to a merger, consolidation, liquidation or dissolution permitted by Section 6.03, permit any Borrower or any other Loan Party to assign or otherwise transfer any of their rights or obligations hereunder without the written consent of each Lender, or (J) amend the definition of "Agreed Currency"

set forth in Section 1.01 without the written consent of each Lender directly affected thereby; provided further that no such agreement shall amend, modify or otherwise affect the rights or duties of the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank hereunder without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank, as the case may be (it being understood that any amendment to Section 2.18 shall require the consent of the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender and the Issuing Bank); provided further that no such agreement shall amend or modify Section 2.05 or any letter of credit application and any bilateral agreement between the Borrower Representative and the Issuing Bank's Issuing Bank Sublimit or the respective rights and obligations between the Borrowers and the Issuing Bank in connection with the issuance of Letters of Credit without the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank, respectively. The Administrative Agent may also amend the Commitment Schedule to reflect assignments entered into pursuant to Section 10.04. Any amendment, waiver or other modification of this Agreement or any other Loan Document that by its terms affects the rights or duties under this Agreement of the Lenders of one or more Classes (but not the Lenders of any other Class), may be effected by an agreement or agreements in writing entered into by the Borrowers and the requisite number or percentage in interest of each affected Class of Lenders that would be required to consent thereto under this Section if such Class of Lenders were the only Class of Lenders hereunder at the time.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, (i) the Administrative Agent and the Borrowers, any Loan Party or Subsidiary, as applicable, may amend, modify or supplement this Agreement or any other Loan Document to cure or correct administrative errors or omissions, any ambiguity, omission, defect or inconsistency or to effect administrative changes, and such amendment shall become effective without any further consent of any Lender or any other party to such Loan Document, (ii) the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, the Swingline Lender and the Borrowers, and each Lender increasing its Revolving Commitment or joining the loan facility as a new Revolving Lender in connection with an increase in the aggregate Revolving Commitments in accordance with the terms of Sections 2.08(e), (f) and (g), may amend this Agreement and the other Loan Documents, as applicable, without the consent of any other Lender or Person, in each case only to effectuate the intent and purpose of Sections 2.08(e), (f) and (g) and (iii) the Borrowers and the Administrative Agent may enter into Extension Amendments in accordance with the terms of Section 2.21 without the consent of any Person except as required by Section 2.21.

(c) The Lenders and the Issuing Bank hereby irrevocably authorize the Administrative Agent, at its option and in its sole discretion, to release any Liens granted to the Administrative Agent by the Loan Parties on any Collateral (i) upon the Payment in Full of all Secured Obligations, and the Cash Collateralization of all Unliquidated Obligations in a manner satisfactory to each affected Lender, (ii) constituting property being sold or disposed of if the Loan Party disposing of such property certifies to the Administrative Agent that the sale or disposition is made in compliance with the terms of this Agreement (and the Administrative Agent may rely conclusively on any such certificate, without further inquiry), and to the extent that the property being sold or disposed of constitutes 100% of the Equity Interests of a Subsidiary, the Administrative Agent is authorized to release any Loan Guaranty or Obligation Guaranty provided by such Subsidiary, (iii) constituting property leased to a Loan Party under a lease which has expired or been terminated in a transaction permitted under this Agreement, or (iv) as required to effect any sale or other disposition of such Collateral in connection with any exercise of remedies of the Administrative Agent and the Lenders pursuant to Article VIII. Except as provided in the preceding sentence, the Administrative Agent will not release any Liens on Collateral without the prior written authorization of the Required Lenders. Any such release shall not in any manner discharge, affect, or impair the Obligations or any Liens (other than those expressly being released) upon (or obligations of the Loan Parties in respect of) all interests retained by the Loan Parties, including the

proceeds of any sale, all of which shall continue to constitute part of the Collateral. Any execution and delivery by the Administrative Agent of documents in connection with any such release shall be without recourse to or warranty by the Administrative Agent.

(d) If, in connection with any proposed amendment, waiver or consent requiring the consent of "each Lender" or "each Lender affected thereby," the consent of the Required Lenders is obtained, but the consent of other necessary Lenders is not obtained (any such Lender whose consent is necessary but not obtained being referred to herein as a "Non-Consenting Lender"), then the Borrowers may elect to replace a Non-Consenting Lender as a Lender party to this Agreement, provided that, concurrently with such replacement, (i) another bank or other entity which is reasonably satisfactory to the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent and the Issuing Bank and is not an Affiliate of the Borrowers shall agree, as of such date, to purchase for cash the Loans and other Obligations due to the Non-Consenting Lender pursuant to an Assignment and Assumption and to become a Lender for all purposes under this Agreement and to assume all obligations of the Non-Consenting Lender to be terminated as of such date and to comply with the requirements of clause (b) of Section 10.04, and (ii) the Borrowers shall pay to such Non-Consenting Lender in same day funds on the day of such replacement (1) all interest, fees and other amounts then accrued but unpaid to such Non-Consenting Lender by the Borrowers hereunder to and including the date of termination, including without limitation payments due to such Non-Consenting Lender under Sections 2.14 and 2.16, and (2) an amount, if any, equal to the payment which would have been due to such Lender on the day of such replacement under Section 2.15 had the Loans of such Non-Consenting Lender been prepaid on such date rather than sold to the replacement Lender.

SECTION 10.03 Expenses; Indemnity; Damage Waiver.

- (a) The Loan Parties, jointly and severally, shall pay all (i) reasonable and invoiced out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent and its Affiliates, including the reasonable fees, charges and disbursements of counsel for the Administrative Agent, in connection with the syndication and distribution (including, without limitation, via the internet or through an Electronic System) of the credit facilities provided for herein, the preparation and administration of the Loan Documents and any amendments, modifications or waivers of the provisions of the Loan Documents (whether or not the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be consummated), (ii) reasonable and invoiced out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Issuing Bank in connection with the issuance, amendment, renewal or extension of any Letter of Credit or any demand for payment thereunder and (iii) invoiced out-of-pocket expenses incurred by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender, including the invoiced fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender, in connection with the enforcement, collection or protection of its rights in connection with the Loan Documents, including its rights under this Section, or in connection with the Loans made or Letters of Credit issued hereunder, including all such invoiced out-of-pocket expenses incurred during any workout, restructuring or negotiations in respect of such Loans or Letters of Credit. Expenses being reimbursed by the Loan Parties under this Section include, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, fees, invoiced costs and expenses incurred in connection with:
 - (A) appraisals and insurance reviews;
- (B) field examinations and the preparation of Reports based on the fees charged by a third party retained by the Administrative Agent or the internally allocated fees for each Person employed by the Administrative Agent with respect to each field examination;

- (C) background checks regarding senior management and/or key investors, as deemed necessary or appropriate in the sole discretion of the Administrative Agent;
- (D) Taxes, fees and other charges for (i) lien searches and (ii) filing financing statements and continuations, and other actions to perfect, protect, and continue the Administrative Agent's Liens;
- (E) sums paid or incurred to take any action required of any Loan Party under the Loan Documents that such Loan Party fails to pay or take; and
- (F) forwarding loan proceeds, collecting checks and other items of payment, and establishing and maintaining the accounts and lock boxes, and costs and expenses of preserving and protecting the Collateral.

All of the foregoing fees, costs and expenses may be charged to the Borrowers as Revolving Loans or to another deposit account, all as described in Section 2.17(c).

(b) The Loan Parties, jointly and severally, shall indemnify the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and each Lender, and each Related Party of any of the foregoing Persons (each such Person being called an "Indemnitee") against, and hold each Indemnitee harmless from, any and all losses, claims, damages, penalties, incremental Taxes, liabilities and related expenses, including the fees, charges and disbursements of any counsel for any Indemnitee, incurred by or asserted against any Indemnitee arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of (i) the execution or delivery of the Loan Documents or any agreement or instrument contemplated thereby, the performance by the parties hereto of their respective obligations thereunder or the consummation of the Transactions or any other transactions contemplated hereby, (ii) any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds therefrom (including any refusal by the Issuing Bank to honor a demand for payment under a Letter of Credit if the documents presented in connection with such demand do not strictly comply with the terms of such Letter of Credit), (iii) any actual or alleged presence or Release of Hazardous Materials on or from any property owned or operated by a Loan Party or a Subsidiary, or any Environmental Liability related in any way to a Loan Party or a Subsidiary, (iv) the failure of a Loan Party to deliver to the Administrative Agent the required receipts or other required documentary evidence with respect to a payment made by such Loan Party for Taxes pursuant to Section 2.16, or (v) any actual or prospective claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding relating to any of the foregoing, whether or not such claim, litigation, investigation or proceeding is brought by any Loan Party or their respective equity holders, Affiliates, creditors or any other third Person and whether based on contract, tort or any other theory and regardless of whether any Indemnitee is a party thereto; provided that such indemnity shall not, as to any Indemnitee, be available to the extent that such losses, claims, damages, penalties, liabilities or related expenses are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee. WITHOUT LIMITATION OF THE FOREGOING, IT IS THE INTENTION OF THE BORROWERS AND THE BORROWERS AGREE THAT THE FOREGOING INDEMNITIES SHALL APPLY TO EACH INDEMNITEE WITH RESPECT TO LOSSES, CLAIMS, DAMAGES, PENALTIES, LIABILITIES AND RELATED EXPENSES (INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, ALL EXPENSES OF LITIGATION OR PREPARATION THEREFOR), WHICH IN WHOLE OR IN PART ARE CAUSED BY OR ARISE OUT OF THE NEGLIGENCE **OF SUCH (AND/OR ANY OTHER) INDEMNITEE**. This <u>Section 10.03(b)</u> shall not apply with respect to Taxes other than any Taxes that represent losses or damages arising from any non-Tax claim.

- (c) To the extent that any Loan Party fails to pay any amount required to be paid by it to the Administrative Agent (or any subagent thereof), the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank (or any Related Party of any of the foregoing) under paragraph (a) or (b) of this Section, each Lender severally agrees to pay to the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank (or any Related Party of any of the foregoing), as the case may be, such Lender's Applicable Percentage (determined as of the time that the applicable unreimbursed expense or indemnity payment is sought) of such unpaid amount (it being understood that any such payment by the Lenders shall not relieve the Borrowers of any default in the payment thereof); provided that the unreimbursed expense or indemnified loss, claim, damage, penalty, liability or related expense, as the case may be, was incurred by or asserted against the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank in its capacity as such.
- (d) To the extent permitted by applicable law, no Loan Party shall assert, and each Loan Party hereby waives, any claim against any Indemnitee, (i) for any damages arising from the use by others of information or other materials obtained through telecommunications, electronic or other information transmission systems (including the Internet) (other than damages that are determined by a court of competent jurisdiction by final and nonappealable judgment to have resulted from the gross negligence, bad faith or willful misconduct of such Indemnitee), or (ii) on any theory of liability, for special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages (as opposed to direct or actual damages) arising out of, in connection with, or as a result of, this Agreement, any other Loan Document, or any agreement or instrument contemplated hereby or thereby, the Transactions, any Loan or Letter of Credit or the use of the proceeds thereof; provided that, nothing in this paragraph (d) shall relieve any Loan Party of any obligation it may have to indemnify an Indemnitee against special, indirect, consequential or punitive damages asserted against such Indemnitee by a third party.
 - (e) All amounts due under this Section shall be payable promptly after written demand therefor.

SECTION 10.04 Successors and Assigns.

- (a) The provisions of this Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby (including any Affiliate of the Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), except that (i) no Borrower may assign or otherwise transfer any of its rights or obligations hereunder without the prior written consent of each Lender (and any attempted assignment or transfer by a Borrower without such consent shall be null and void) and (ii) no Lender may assign or otherwise transfer its rights or obligations hereunder except in accordance with this Section. Nothing in this Agreement, expressed or implied, shall be construed to confer upon any Person (other than the parties hereto, their respective successors and assigns permitted hereby (including any Affiliate of the Issuing Bank that issues any Letter of Credit), Participants (to the extent provided in paragraph.co of this Section) and, to the extent expressly contemplated hereby, the Related Parties of each of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders) any legal or equitable right, remedy or claim under or by reason of this Agreement.
- (b) (i) Subject to the conditions set forth in <u>paragraph (b)(ii)</u> below, any Lender may assign to one or more Persons (other than an Ineligible Institution) all or a portion of its rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment, participations in Letters of Credit and the Loans at the time owing to it) with the prior written consent (such consent not to be unreasonably withheld) of:

- (A) the Borrower Representative, provided that such consent will not be unreasonably withheld and the Borrower Representative shall be deemed to have consented to any such assignment unless it shall object thereto by written notice to the Administrative Agent within ten (10) Business Days after having received notice thereof, and provided further that no consent of the Borrower Representative shall be required for an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, an Approved Fund or, if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing, any other assignee;
 - (B) the Administrative Agent;
 - (C) the Issuing Bank; and
 - (D) the Swingline Lender.
 - (ii) Assignments shall be subject to the following additional conditions:
- (A) except in the case of an assignment to a Lender, an Affiliate of a Lender, or an Approved Fund, or an assignment of the entire remaining amount of the assigning Lender's Commitment or Loans of any Class, the amount of the Commitment or Loans of the assigning Lender subject to each such assignment (determined as of the date the Assignment and Assumption with respect to such assignment is delivered to the Administrative Agent) shall not be less than \$5,000,000 unless each of the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent otherwise consent, provided that no such consent of the Borrower Representative shall be required if an Event of Default has occurred and is continuing;
- (B) each partial assignment shall be made as an assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, provided that this clause shall not be construed to prohibit the assignment of a proportionate part of all the assigning Lender's rights and obligations in respect of one Class of Commitments or Loans;
- (C) the parties to each assignment shall execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent (x) an Assignment and Assumption or (y) to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment and Assumption by reference pursuant to a Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and the parties to the Assignment and Assumption are participants, together with a processing and recordation fee of \$3,500; and
 - (D) the assignee must be capable of lending in each of the Agreed Currencies; and
- (E) the assignee, if it shall not be a Lender, shall deliver to the Administrative Agent an Administrative Questionnaire in which the assignee designates one or more credit contacts to whom all syndicate-level information (which may contain material non-public information about the Borrowers, the other Loan Parties, the Subsidiaries and their Related Parties or their respective securities) will be made available and who may receive such information in accordance with the assignee's compliance procedures and applicable laws, including federal and state securities laws.

For the purposes of this <u>Section 10.04(b)</u>, the terms "Approved Fund" and "Ineligible Institution" have the following meanings:

"<u>Approved Fund</u>" means any Person (other than a natural person) that is engaged in making, purchasing, holding or investing in bank loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its business and that is administered or managed by (a) a Lender, (b) an Affiliate of a Lender or (c) an entity or an Affiliate of an entity that administers or manages a Lender.

"Ineligible Institution" means a (a) natural person, (b) Defaulting Lender or its Parent, (c) holding company, investment vehicle or trust for, or owned and operated for the primary benefit of, a natural person or relative(s) thereof; provided that, such holding company, investment vehicle or trust shall not constitute an Ineligible Institution if it (i) has not been established for the primary purpose of acquiring any Loans or Commitments, (ii) is managed by a professional advisor, who is not such natural person or a relative thereof, having significant experience in the business of making or purchasing commercial loans, and (iii) has assets greater than \$25,000,000 and a significant part of its activities consist of making or purchasing commercial loans and similar extensions of credit in the ordinary course of its business; or (d) Loan Party or any Affiliate of any Loan Party.

- (iii) Subject to acceptance and recording thereof pursuant to <u>paragraph (b)(iv)</u> of this Section, from and after the effective date specified in each Assignment and Assumption, the assignee thereunder shall be a party hereto and, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, have the rights and obligations of a Lender under this Agreement, and the assigning Lender thereunder shall, to the extent of the interest assigned by such Assignment and Assumption, be released from its obligations under this Agreement (and, in the case of an Assignment and Assumption covering all of the assigning Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement, such Lender shall cease to be a party hereto but shall continue to be entitled to the benefits of Sections 2.14, 2.15, 2.16 and 10.03). Any assignment or transfer by a Lender of rights or obligations under this Agreement that does not comply with this Section 10.04 shall be treated for purposes of this Agreement as a sale by such Lender of a participation in such rights and obligations in accordance with <u>paragraph (c)</u> of this Section.
- (iv) The Administrative Agent, acting for this purpose as a non-fiduciary agent of the Borrowers, shall maintain at one of its offices a copy of each Assignment and Assumption delivered to it and a register for the recordation of the names and addresses of the Lenders, and the Commitment of, and principal amount of the Loans and LC Disbursements owing to, each Lender pursuant to the terms hereof from time to time (the "Register"). The entries in the Register shall be conclusive, and the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Register pursuant to the terms hereof as a Lender hereunder for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding notice to the contrary. The Register shall be available for inspection by the Borrowers, the Issuing Bank and any Lender, at any reasonable time and from time to time upon reasonable prior notice.
- (v) Upon its receipt of (x) a duly completed Assignment and Assumption executed by an assigning Lender and an assignee or (y) to the extent applicable, an agreement incorporating an Assignment and Assumption by reference pursuant to a Platform as to which the Administrative Agent and the parties to the Assignment and Assumption are participants, the assignee's completed Administrative Questionnaire (unless the assignee shall already be a Lender hereunder), the processing and recordation fee referred to in <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section and any written consent to such assignment required by <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section, the Administrative Agent shall accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information contained therein in the Register; provided that if either the assigning Lender or the assignee shall have failed to make any payment required to be made by it pursuant to <u>Section 2.04, 2.05(d)</u> or (e), <u>2.06(b)</u>, <u>2.17(d)</u> or <u>10.03(c)</u>, the Administrative Agent shall have no obligation to accept such Assignment and Assumption and record the information therein in the Register unless and until such payment shall have been made in full, together with all accrued interest thereon. No assignment shall be effective for purposes of this Agreement unless it has been recorded in the Register as provided in this paragraph.

Any Lender may, without the consent of the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Swingline Lender or the Issuing Bank, sell participations to one or more banks or other entities (a "Participant") other than an Ineligible Institution in all or a portion of such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement (including all or a portion of its Commitment and the Loans owing to it); provided that (i) such Lender's obligations under this Agreement shall remain unchanged; (ii) such Lender shall remain solely responsible to the other parties hereto for the performance of such obligations; and (iii) the Borrowers, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the other Lenders shall continue to deal solely and directly with such Lender in connection with such Lender's rights and obligations under this Agreement. Any agreement or instrument pursuant to which a Lender sells such a participation shall provide that such Lender shall retain the sole right to enforce this Agreement and to approve any amendment, modification or waiver of any provision of this Agreement; provided that such agreement or instrument may provide that such Lender will not, without the consent of the Participant, agree to any amendment, modification or waiver described in the first proviso to Section 10.02(b) that affects such Participant. The Borrowers agree that each Participant shall be entitled to the benefits of Sections 2.14, 2.15 and 2.16 (subject to the requirements and limitations therein, including the requirements under Sections 2.16(f) and (g) (it being understood that the documentation required under Section 2.16(f) shall be delivered to the participating Lender and the information and documentation required under Section 2.16(g) will be delivered to the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent)) to the same extent as if it were a Lender and had acquired its interest by assignment pursuant to paragraph (b) of this Section; provided that such Participant (A) agrees to be subject to the provisions of Sections 2.17 and 2.18 as if it were an assignee under paragraph (b) of this Section; and (B) shall not be entitled to receive any greater payment under Sections 2.14 or 2.16 with respect to any participation, than its participating Lender would have been entitled to receive, except to the extent such entitlement to receive a greater payment results from a Change in Law that occurs after the Participant acquired the applicable participation.

Each Lender that sells a participation agrees, at the Borrowers' request and expense, to use reasonable efforts to cooperate with the Borrowers to effectuate the provisions of Section 2.18(b) with respect to any Participant. To the extent permitted by law, each Participant also shall be entitled to the benefits of Section 10.08 as though it were a Lender, provided such Participant agrees to be subject to Section 2.17(d) as though it were a Lender. Each Lender that sells a participation shall, acting solely for this purpose as an agent of the Borrowers, maintain a register on which it enters the name and address of each Participant and the principal amounts (and stated interest) of each Participant's interest in the Loans or other obligations under this Agreement or any other Loan Document (the "Participant Register"); provided that no Lender shall have any obligation to disclose all or any portion of the Participant Register (including the identity of any Participant or any information relating to a Participant's interest in any Commitments, Loans, Letters of Credit or its other obligations under this Agreement or any other Loan Document) to any Person except to the extent that such disclosure is necessary to establish that such Commitment, Loan, Letter of Credit or other obligation is in registered form under Section 5f.1031(c) of the United States Treasury Regulations. The entries in the Participant Register shall be conclusive absent manifest error, and such Lender shall treat each Person whose name is recorded in the Participant Register as the owner of such participation for all purposes of this Agreement, notwithstanding any notice to the contrary. For the avoidance of doubt, the Administrative Agent (in its capacity as Administrative Agent) shall have no responsibility for maintaining a Participant Register.

(d) Any Lender may at any time pledge or assign a security interest in all or any portion of its rights under this Agreement to secure obligations of such Lender, including without limitation any pledge or assignment to secure obligations to a Federal Reserve Bank, and this Section shall not apply to any such pledge or assignment of a security interest; provided that no such pledge or assignment of a

security interest shall release a Lender from any of its obligations hereunder or substitute any such pledgee or assignee for such Lender as a party hereto.

SECTION 10.05 <u>Survival</u>. All covenants, agreements, representations and warranties made by the Loan Parties in the Loan Documents and in the certificates or other instruments delivered in connection with or pursuant to this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall be considered to have been relied upon by the other parties hereto and shall survive the execution and delivery of the Loan Documents and the making of any Loans and issuance of any Letters of Credit, regardless of any investigation made by any such other party or on its behalf and notwithstanding that the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender may have had notice or knowledge of any Default or incorrect representation or warranty at the time any credit is extended hereunder, and shall continue in full force and effect as long as the principal of or any accrued interest on any Loan or any fee or any other amount payable under this Agreement is outstanding and unpaid or any Letter of Credit is outstanding and so long as the Commitments have not expired or terminated. The provisions of Sections 2.14, 2.15, 2.16 and 10.03 and Article IX shall survive and remain in full force and effect regardless of the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, the repayment of the Loans, the expiration or termination of the Letters of Credit and the Commitments or the termination of this Agreement or any other Loan Document or any provision hereof or thereof.

SECTION 10.06 <u>Counterparts</u>; <u>Integration</u>; <u>Effectiveness</u>; <u>Electronic Execution</u>; <u>Amendment and Restatement</u>. (a) This Agreement and the other Loan Documents may be executed in counterparts (and by different parties hereto on different counterparts), each of which shall constitute an original, but all of which when taken together shall constitute a single contract. This Agreement, the other Loan Documents and any separate letter agreements with respect to (i) fees payable to the Administrative Agent and (ii) increases or reductions of the Issuing Bank Sublimit of the Issuing Bank constitute the entire contract among the parties relating to the subject matter hereof and supersede any and all previous agreements and understandings, oral or written, relating to the subject matter hereof. Except as provided in <u>Section 4.01</u>, this Agreement shall become effective when it shall have been executed by the Administrative Agent and when the Administrative Agent shall have received counterparts hereof which, when taken together, bear the signatures of each of the other parties hereto, and thereafter shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their respective successors and assigns.

(b) Delivery of an executed counterpart of a signature page of this Agreement or any other Loan Document by telecopy, emailed pdf. or any other electronic means that reproduces an image of the actual executed signature page shall be effective as delivery of a manually executed counterpart of this Agreement or such other Loan Document, as applicable. The words "execution," "signed," "signature," "delivery," and words of like import in or relating to any document to be signed in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby or thereby shall be deemed to include Electronic Signatures, deliveries or the keeping of records in electronic form, each of which shall be of the same legal effect, validity or enforceability as a manually executed signature, physical delivery thereof or the use of a paper-based recordkeeping system, as the case may be, to the extent and as provided for in any applicable law, including the Federal Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act, the New York State Electronic Signatures and Records Act, or any other similar state laws based on the Uniform Electronic Transactions Act. THIS WRITTEN AGREEMENT REPRESENTS THE FINAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PARTIES AND MAY NOT BE CONTRADICTED BY EVIDENCE OF PRIOR, CONTEMPORANEOUS, OR SUBSEQUENT ORAL AGREEMENTS OF THE PARTIES. THERE ARE NO UNWRITTEN ORAL AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE PARTIES.

(c) This Agreement amends and restates in its entirety the Existing Agreement. The execution of this Agreement and the other Loan Documents executed in connection herewith does not extinguish any Secured Obligations outstanding in connection with the Existing Agreement nor does it constitute a novation with respect to such Secured Obligations. For all matters arising prior to the Effective Date (including the accrual and payment of interest and fees, and matters relating to indemnification and compliance with financial covenants), the terms of the Existing Agreement and the "Loan Documents" as defined in the Existing Agreement (as each is unmodified by this Agreement) shall control and are hereby ratified and confirmed.

SECTION 10.07 <u>Severability</u>. Any provision of any Loan Document held to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable in any jurisdiction shall, as to such jurisdiction, be ineffective to the extent of such invalidity, illegality or unenforceability without affecting the validity, legality and enforceability of the remaining provisions thereof; and the invalidity of a particular provision in a particular jurisdiction shall not invalidate such provision in any other jurisdiction.

SECTION 10.08 Right of Setoff. If an Event of Default shall have occurred and be continuing, each Lender and each of its Affiliates is hereby authorized at any time and from time to time, to the fullest extent permitted by law, to set off and apply any and all deposits (general or special, time or demand, provisional or final and in whatever currency denominated) at any time held and other obligations at any time owing by such Lender or such Affiliate to or for the credit or the account of any Loan Party against any of and all the Secured Obligations held by such Lender or such Affiliate, irrespective of whether or not such Lender shall have made any demand under the Loan Documents and although such obligations may be unmatured. The applicable Lender (on behalf of itself of its applicable Affiliate) shall notify the Borrower Representative and the Administrative Agent of such set-off or application, provided that any failure to give or any delay in giving such notice shall not affect the validity of any such set-off or application under this Section. The rights of each Lender and each of its Affiliates under this Section are in addition to other rights and remedies (including other rights of setoff) which such Lender may have.

SECTION 10.09 Governing Law; Jurisdiction; Consent to Service of Process.

- (a) The Loan Documents (other than those containing a contrary express choice of law provision) shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the internal laws (and not the law of conflicts) of the State of New York, but giving effect to federal laws applicable to national banks.
- (b) Each Loan Party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally submits, for itself and its property, to the exclusive jurisdiction of any U.S. federal or New York state court sitting in New York, New York in any action or proceeding arising out of or relating to any Loan Documents, or for recognition or enforcement of any judgment, and each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably and unconditionally agrees that all claims in respect of any such action or proceeding may be heard and determined in such state court or, to the extent permitted by law, in such federal court. Each of the parties hereto agrees that a final judgment in any such action or proceeding shall be conclusive and may be enforced in other jurisdictions by suit on the judgment or in any other manner provided by law. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document shall affect any right that the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender may otherwise have to bring any action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document against any Loan Party or its properties in the courts of any jurisdiction.

- (c) Each Loan Party hereby irrevocably and unconditionally waives, to the fullest extent it may legally and effectively do so, any objection which it may now or hereafter have to the laying of venue of any suit, action or proceeding arising out of or relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document in any court referred to in <u>paragraph (b)</u> of this Section. Each of the parties hereto hereby irrevocably waives, to the fullest extent permitted by law, the defense of an inconvenient forum to the maintenance of such action or proceeding in any such court.
- (d) Each party to this Agreement irrevocably consents to service of process in the manner provided for notices in Section 10.01. Nothing in this Agreement or any other Loan Document will affect the right of any party to this Agreement to serve process in any other manner permitted by law.

SECTION 10.10 WAIVER OF JURY TRIAL. EACH PARTY HERETO HEREBY WAIVES, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY APPLICABLE LAW, ANY RIGHT IT MAY HAVE TO A TRIAL BY JURY IN ANY LEGAL PROCEEDING DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY ARISING OUT OF OR RELATING TO THIS AGREEMENT, ANY OTHER LOAN DOCUMENT OR THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED HEREBY OR THEREBY (WHETHER BASED ON CONTRACT, TORT OR ANY OTHER THEORY). EACH PARTY HERETO (A) CERTIFIES THAT NO REPRESENTATIVE OR OTHER AGENT (INCLUDING ANY ATTORNEY) OF ANY OTHER PARTY HAS REPRESENTED, EXPRESSLY OR OTHERWISE, THAT SUCH OTHER PARTY WOULD NOT, IN THE EVENT OF LITIGATION, SEEK TO ENFORCE THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND (B) ACKNOWLEDGES THAT IT AND THE OTHER PARTIES HERETO HAVE BEEN INDUCED TO ENTER INTO THIS AGREEMENT BY, AMONG OTHER THINGS, THE MUTUAL WAIVERS AND CERTIFICATIONS IN THIS SECTION.

SECTION 10.11 <u>Headings</u>. Article and Section headings and the Table of Contents used herein are for convenience of reference only, are not part of this Agreement and shall not affect the construction of, or be taken into consideration in interpreting, this Agreement.

SECTION 10.12 Confidentiality. Each of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders agrees to maintain the confidentiality of the Information (as defined below), except that Information may be disclosed (a) to its and its Affiliates' directors, officers, employees and agents, including accountants, legal counsel and other advisors (it being understood that the Persons to whom such disclosure is made will be informed of the confidential nature of such Information and instructed to keep such Information confidential), (b) to the extent requested by any Governmental Authority (including any self-regulatory authority, such as the National Association of Insurance Commissioners), (c) to the extent required by any Requirement of Law or by any subpoena or similar legal process, (d) to any other party to this Agreement, other Loan Party and/or Subsidiary, (e) in connection with the exercise of any remedies hereunder or under any other Loan Document or any suit, action or proceeding relating to this Agreement or any other Loan Document or the enforcement of rights hereunder or thereunder, (f) subject to an agreement containing provisions substantially the same as those of this Section, to (x) any assignee of or Participant in, or any prospective assignee of or Participant in, any of its rights or obligations under this Agreement or (y) any actual or prospective counterparty (or its advisors) to any swap or derivative transaction relating to the Loan Parties and their obligations, (g) with the consent of the Borrower Representative, (h) to holders of Equity Interests in the Company, (i) to any Person providing a Guarantee of all or any portion of the Secured Obligations, or (j) to the extent such Information (x) becomes publicly available other than as a result of a breach of this Section or (y) becomes available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender on a non-confidential basis from a source other than the Borrowers. For the purposes of this Section, "Information" means all information received from the Borrowers relating to the Borrowers, the other Loan Parties or their

business, other than any such information that is available to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender on a non-confidential basis prior to disclosure by the Borrowers and other than information pertaining to this Agreement routinely provided by arrangers to data service providers, including league table providers, that serve the lending industry; provided that, in the case of information received from the Borrowers after the date hereof, such information is clearly identified at the time of delivery as confidential. Any Person required to maintain the confidentiality of Information as provided in this Section shall be considered to have complied with its obligation to do so if such Person has exercised the same degree of care to maintain the confidentiality of such Information as such Person would accord to its own confidential information.

SECTION 10.13 <u>Several Obligations</u>; <u>Nonreliance</u>; <u>Violation of Law</u>. The respective obligations of the Lenders hereunder are several and not joint and the failure of any Lender to make any Loan or perform any of its obligations hereunder shall not relieve any other Lender from any of its obligations hereunder. Each Lender hereby represents that it is not relying on or looking to any margin stock (as defined in Regulation U of the Board) for the repayment of the Borrowings provided for herein. Anything contained in this Agreement to the contrary notwithstanding, neither the Issuing Bank nor any Lender shall be obligated to extend credit to the Borrowers in violation of any Requirement of Law.

SECTION 10.14 <u>USA PATRIOT Act</u>. Each Lender that is subject to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act hereby notifies each Loan Party that pursuant to the requirements of the USA PATRIOT Act, it is required to obtain, verify and record information that identifies such Loan Party, which information includes the name and address of such Loan Party and other information that will allow such Lender to identify such Loan Party in accordance with the USA PATRIOT Act.

SECTION 10.15 <u>Disclosure</u>. Each Loan Party, each Lender and the Issuing Bank hereby acknowledges and agrees that the Administrative Agent and/or its Affiliates from time to time may hold investments in, make other loans to or have other relationships with, any of the Loan Parties and their respective Affiliates.

SECTION 10.16 <u>Appointment for Perfection</u>. Each Lender hereby appoints each other Lender as its agent for the purpose of perfecting Liens, for the benefit of the Administrative Agent and the Secured Parties, in assets which, in accordance with Article 9 of the UCC or any other applicable law can be perfected only by possession or control. Should any Lender (other than the Administrative Agent) obtain possession or control of any such Collateral, such Lender shall notify the Administrative Agent thereof, and, promptly upon the Administrative Agent's request therefor shall deliver such Collateral to the Administrative Agent or otherwise deal with such Collateral in accordance with the Administrative Agent's instructions.

SECTION 10.17 Interest Rate Limitation. Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, if at any time the interest rate applicable to any Loan, together with all fees, charges and other amounts which are treated as interest on such Loan under applicable law (collectively the "Charges"), shall exceed the maximum lawful rate (the "Maximum Rate") which may be contracted for, charged, taken, received or reserved by the Lender holding such Loan in accordance with applicable law, the rate of interest payable in respect of such Loan hereunder, together with all Charges payable in respect thereof, shall be limited to the Maximum Rate and, to the extent lawful, the interest and Charges that would have been payable in respect of such Loan but were not payable as a result of the operation of this Section shall be cumulated and the interest and Charges payable to such Lender in respect of other Loans or periods shall be increased (but not above the Maximum Rate therefor) until such cumulated amount, together with interest

thereon at the Federal Funds Effective Rate to the date of repayment, shall have been received by such Lender.

SECTION 10.18 No Fiduciary Duty, etc. Each Borrower acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its subsidiaries' understanding, that no Credit Party will have any obligations except those obligations expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents and each Credit Party is acting solely in the capacity of an arm's length contractual counterparty to the Borrowers with respect to the Loan Documents and the transaction contemplated therein and not as a financial advisor or a fiduciary to, or an agent of, any Borrower or any other person. Each Borrower agrees that it will not assert any claim against any Credit Party based on an alleged breach of fiduciary duty by such Credit Party in connection with this Agreement and the transactions contemplated hereby. Additionally, each Borrower acknowledges and agrees that no Credit Party is advising any Borrower as to any legal, tax, investment, accounting, regulatory or any other matters in any jurisdiction. The Borrowers shall consult with their own advisors concerning such matters and shall be responsible for making its own independent investigation and appraisal of the transactions contemplated hereby, and the Credit Parties shall have no responsibility or liability to any Borrower with respect thereto.

Each Borrower further acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its subsidiaries' understanding, that each Credit Party, together with its affiliates, is a full service securities or banking firm engaged in securities trading and brokerage activities as well as providing investment banking and other financial services. In the ordinary course of business, any Credit Party may provide investment banking and other financial services to, and/or acquire, hold or sell, for its own accounts and the accounts of customers, equity, debt and other securities and financial instruments (including bank loans and other obligations) of, the Borrowers and other companies with which the Borrowers may have commercial or other relationships. With respect to any securities and/or financial instruments so held by any Credit Party or any of its customers, all rights in respect of such securities and financial instruments, including any voting rights, will be exercised by the holder of the rights, in its sole discretion.

In addition, each Borrower acknowledges and agrees, and acknowledges its subsidiaries' understanding, that each Credit Party and its affiliates may be providing debt financing, equity capital or other services (including financial advisory services) to other companies in respect of which the Borrowers may have conflicting interests regarding the transactions described herein and otherwise. No Credit Party will use confidential information obtained from any Borrower by virtue of the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents or its other relationships with the Borrowers in connection with the performance by such Credit Party of services for other companies, and no Credit Party will furnish any such information to other companies. Each Borrower also acknowledges that no Credit Party has any obligation to use in connection with the transactions contemplated by the Loan Documents, or to furnish to any Borrower, confidential information obtained from other companies.

SECTION 10.19 <u>Marketing Consent</u>. The Borrowers hereby authorize Chase and its affiliates (including without limitation JPMorgan Securities LLC) (collectively, the "<u>Chase Parties</u>"), at their respective sole expense, but without any prior approval by the Borrowers, to publish such customary tombstones and give such other customary publicity to this Agreement as each may from time to time determine in its sole discretion. The foregoing authorization shall remain in effect unless and until the Borrower Representative notifies Chase in writing that such authorization is revoked.

SECTION 10.20 <u>Joint and Several Obligations</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained herein or in any other Loan Documents, each Borrower acknowledges that it and the Guarantors are jointly and severally responsible (not merely as a surety but also as a co-debtor) for all

agreements, covenants, representations, warranties and obligations contained and set forth in this Agreement or in any other Loan Document to which the applicable Loan Party is a party.

SECTION 10.21 <u>Acknowledgement and Consent to Bail-In of EEA Financial Institutions</u>. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in any Loan Document or in any other agreement, arrangement or understanding among any such parties, each party hereto acknowledges that any liability of any EEA Financial Institution arising under any Loan Document may be subject to the write-down and conversion powers of an EEA Resolution Authority and agrees and consents to, and acknowledges and agrees to be bound by:

- (a) the application of any Write-Down and Conversion Powers by an EEA Resolution Authority to any such liabilities arising hereunder which may be payable to it by any party hereto that is an EEA Financial Institution; and
 - (b) the effects of any Bail-In Action on any such liability, including, if applicable:
 - (i) a reduction in full or in part or cancellation of any such liability;
- (ii) a conversion of all, or a portion of, such liability into shares or other instruments of ownership in such EEA Financial Institution, its parent entity, or a bridge institution that may be issued to it or otherwise conferred on it, and that such shares or other instruments of ownership will be accepted by it in lieu of any rights with respect to any such liability under this Agreement or any other Loan Document; or
- (iii) the variation of the terms of such liability in connection with the exercise of the write-down and conversion powers of any EEA Resolution Authority.

ARTICLE XI

Loan Guaranty

SECTION 11.01 <u>Guaranty</u>. Each Loan Guarantor (other than those that have delivered a separate Obligation Guaranty) hereby agrees that it is jointly and severally liable for, and, as a primary obligor and not merely as surety, absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably guarantees to the Secured Parties, the prompt payment when due, whether at stated maturity, upon acceleration or otherwise, and at all times thereafter, of the Secured Obligations and all reasonable and invoiced costs and expenses, including, without limitation, all court costs and reasonable and invoiced attorneys' and paralegals' fees and expenses paid or incurred by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders in endeavoring to collect all or any part of the Secured Obligations from, or in prosecuting any action against, any Borrower, any Loan Guarantor or any other guaranter of all or any part of the Secured Obligations (such costs and expenses, together with the Secured Obligations, collectively the "<u>Guaranteed Obligations</u>"; provided, however, that the definition of "Guaranteed Obligations" shall not create any guarantee by any Loan Guarantor of (or grant of security interest by any Loan Guarantor to support, as applicable) any Excluded Swap Obligations of such Loan Guarantor for purposes of determining any obligations of any Loan Guarantor). Each Loan Guarantor further agrees that the Guaranteed Obligations may be extended or renewed in whole or in part without notice to or further assent from it, and that it remains bound upon its guarantee notwithstanding any such extension or renewal. All terms of this Loan Guaranty apply to and may be enforced by or on behalf of any domestic or foreign branch or Affiliate of any Lender that extended any portion of the Guaranteed Obligations. Each Loan Guarantor further agrees that if payment in respect of any Secured Obligation shall be due in a currency other than Dollars and/or

at a place of payment other than New York or any other Foreign Currency Payment Office and if, by reason of any Change in Law, disruption of currency or foreign exchange markets, war or civil disturbance or other event, payment of such Secured Obligation in such currency or at such place of payment shall be impossible or disadvantageous to the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank or any Lender in any material respect, then, at the election of the Administrative Agent, such Loan Guarantor shall make payment of such Secured Obligation in Dollars (based upon the applicable Equivalent Amount in effect on the date of payment) and/or in New York or such other Foreign Currency Payment Office as is designated by the Administrative Agent and, as a separate and independent obligation, shall reimburse the Administrative Agent, any Issuing Bank and any Lender against any losses or reasonable out-of-pocket expenses that it shall sustain as a result of such alternative payment.

SECTION 11.02 <u>Guaranty of Payment</u>. This Loan Guaranty is a guaranty of payment and not of collection. Each Loan Guarantor waives any right to require the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender to sue any Borrower or any Loan Guarantor, or any other guarantor of, or any other Person obligated for, all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations (each, an "<u>Obligated Party</u>"), or otherwise to enforce its payment against any collateral securing all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations.

SECTION 11.03 No Discharge or Diminishment of Loan Guaranty.

- (a) Except as otherwise provided for herein, the obligations of each Loan Guarantor hereunder are unconditional and absolute and not subject to any reduction, limitation, impairment or termination for any reason (other than the Payment in Full of the Guaranteed Obligations), including: (i) any claim of waiver, release, extension, renewal, settlement, surrender, alteration or compromise of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, by operation of law or otherwise; (ii) any change in the corporate existence, structure or ownership of any Borrower or any other Obligated Party liable for any of the Guaranteed Obligations; (iii) any insolvency, bankruptcy, reorganization or other similar proceeding affecting any Obligated Party or their assets, or any resulting release or discharge of any obligation of any Obligated Party; or (iv) the existence of any claim, setoff or other rights which any Loan Guarantor may have at any time against any Obligated Party, the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank, any Lender or any other Person, whether in connection herewith or in any unrelated transactions.
- (b) The obligations of each Loan Guarantor hereunder are not subject to any defense or setoff, counterclaim, recoupment or termination whatsoever by reason of the invalidity, illegality or unenforceability of any of the Guaranteed Obligations or otherwise, or any provision of applicable law or regulation purporting to prohibit payment by any Obligated Party, of the Guaranteed Obligations or any part thereof.
- (c) Further, the obligations of any Loan Guarantor hereunder are not discharged or impaired or otherwise affected by: (i) the failure of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender to assert any claim or demand or to enforce any remedy with respect to all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations; (ii) any waiver or modification of or supplement to any provision of any agreement relating to the Guaranteed Obligations; (iii) any release, non-perfection or invalidity of any indirect or direct security for the obligations of any Borrower for all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations or any obligations of any other Obligated Party liable for any of the Guaranteed Obligations; (iv) any action or failure to act by the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender with respect to any collateral securing any part of the Guaranteed Obligations; or (v) any default, failure or delay, willful or otherwise, in the payment or performance of any of the Guaranteed Obligations, or any other circumstance, act, omission or delay that might in any manner or to any extent vary the risk of such Loan

Guarantor or that would otherwise operate as a discharge of any Loan Guarantor as a matter of law or equity (other than the Payment in Full of the Guaranteed Obligations).

SECTION 11.04 <u>Defenses Waived</u>. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, each Loan Guarantor hereby waives any defense based on or arising out of any defense of any Borrower or any Loan Guarantor or the unenforceability of all or any part of the Guaranteed Obligations from any cause, or the cessation from any cause of the liability of any Borrower, any Loan Guarantor or any other Obligated Party, other than the Payment in Full of the Guaranteed Obligations. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, each Loan Guarantor irrevocably waives acceptance hereof, presentment, demand, protest and, to the fullest extent permitted by law, any notice not provided for herein, as well as any requirement that at any time any action be taken by any Person against any Obligated Party or any other Person. Each Loan Guarantor confirms that it is not a surety under any state law and shall not raise any such law as a defense to its obligations hereunder. The Administrative Agent may, at its election, foreclose on any Collateral held by it by one or more judicial or nonjudicial sales, accept an assignment of any such Collateral in lieu of foreclosure or otherwise act or fail to act with respect to any collateral securing all or a part of the Guaranteed Obligations, compromise or adjust any part of the Guaranteed Obligations, make any other accommodation with any Obligated Party or exercise any other right or remedy available to it against any Obligated Party, without affecting or impairing in any way the liability of such Loan Guarantor under this Loan Guarantor waives any defense arising out of any such election even though that election may operate, pursuant to applicable law, to impair or extinguish any right of reimbursement or subrogation or other right or remedy of any Loan Guarantor against any Obligated Party or any security.

SECTION 11.05 <u>Rights of Subrogation</u>. No Loan Guarantor will assert any right, claim or cause of action, including, without limitation, a claim of subrogation, contribution or indemnification, that it has against any Obligated Party or any collateral, until the Loan Parties and the Loan Guarantors have fully performed all their obligations to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders.

SECTION 11.06 <u>Reinstatement; Stay of Acceleration</u>. If at any time any payment of any portion of the Guaranteed Obligations (including a payment effected through exercise of a right of setoff) is rescinded, or must otherwise be restored or returned upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any Borrower or otherwise (including pursuant to any settlement entered into by a Secured Party in its discretion), each Loan Guarantor's obligations under this Loan Guaranty with respect to that payment shall be reinstated at such time as though the payment had not been made and whether or not the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders are in possession of this Loan Guaranty. If acceleration of the time for payment of any of the Guaranteed Obligations is stayed upon the insolvency, bankruptcy or reorganization of any Borrower, all such amounts otherwise subject to acceleration under the terms of any agreement relating to the Guaranteed Obligations shall nonetheless be payable by the Loan Guarantors forthwith on demand by the Administrative Agent.

SECTION 11.07 <u>Information</u>. Each Loan Guarantor assumes all responsibility for being and keeping itself informed of the Borrowers' financial condition and assets, and of all other circumstances bearing upon the risk of nonpayment of the Guaranteed Obligations and the nature, scope and extent of the risks that each Loan Guarantor assumes and incurs under this Loan Guaranty, and agrees that none of the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank or any Lender shall have any duty to advise any Loan Guarantor of information known to it regarding those circumstances or risks.

SECTION 11.08 <u>Termination</u>. Each of the Lenders and the Issuing Bank may continue to make loans or extend credit to the Borrowers based on this Loan Guaranty until five (5) days after it receives written notice of termination from any Loan Guarantor. Notwithstanding receipt of any such notice, each Loan Guarantor will continue to be liable to the Lenders for any Guaranteed Obligations created, assumed or committed to prior to the fifth day after receipt of the notice, and all subsequent renewals, extensions, modifications and amendments with respect to, or substitutions for, all or any part of such Guaranteed Obligations. Nothing in this <u>Section 11.08</u> shall be deemed to constitute a waiver of, or eliminate, limit, reduce or otherwise impair any rights or remedies the Administrative Agent or any Lender may have in respect of, any Default or Event of Default that shall exist under <u>clause (r)</u> of <u>Section 8.01</u> hereof as a result of any such notice of termination.

SECTION 11.09 <u>Taxes</u>. Each payment of the Guaranteed Obligations will be made by each Loan Guarantor without withholding for any Taxes, unless such withholding is required by law. If any Loan Guarantor determines, in its sole discretion exercised in good faith, that it is so required to withhold Taxes, then such Loan Guarantor may so withhold and shall timely pay the full amount of withheld Taxes to the relevant Governmental Authority in accordance with applicable law. If such Taxes are Indemnified Taxes, then the amount payable by such Loan Guarantor shall be increased as necessary so that, net of such withholding (including such withholding applicable to additional amounts payable under this Section), the Administrative Agent, Lender or Issuing Bank (as the case may be) receives the amount it would have received had no such withholding been made.

SECTION 11.10 <u>Maximum Liability</u>. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Loan Guaranty, the amount guaranteed by each Loan Guarantor hereunder shall be limited to the extent, if any, required so that its obligations hereunder shall not be subject to avoidance under Section 548 of the Bankruptcy Code or under any applicable state Uniform Fraudulent Transfer Act, Uniform Fraudulent Conveyance Act, Uniform Voidable Transaction Act or similar statute or common law. In determining the limitations, if any, on the amount of any Loan Guarantor's obligations hereunder pursuant to the preceding sentence, it is the intention of the parties hereto that any rights of subrogation, indemnification or contribution which such Loan Guarantor may have under this Loan Guaranty, any other agreement or applicable law shall be taken into account.

SECTION 11.11 Contribution.

- (a) To the extent that any Loan Guarantor shall make a payment under this Loan Guaranty (a "Guarantor Payment") which, taking into account all other Guarantor Payments then previously or concurrently made by any other Loan Guarantor, exceeds the amount which otherwise would have been paid by or attributable to such Loan Guarantor if each Loan Guarantor had paid the aggregate Guaranteed Obligations satisfied by such Guarantor Payment in the same proportion as such Loan Guarantor's "Allocable Amount" (as defined below) (as determined immediately prior to such Guarantor Payment) bore to the aggregate Allocable Amounts of each of the Loan Guarantors as determined immediately prior to the making of such Guarantor Payment, then, following indefeasible payment in full in cash of the Guarantor Payment, the Payment in Full of the Guaranteed Obligations and the termination of this Agreement, such Loan Guarantor shall be entitled to receive contribution and indemnification payments from, and be reimbursed by, each other Loan Guarantor for the amount of such excess, pro rata based upon their respective Allocable Amounts in effect immediately prior to such Guarantor Payment.
- (b) As of any date of determination, the "Allocable Amount" of any Loan Guarantor shall be equal to the excess of the fair saleable value of the property of such Loan Guarantor over the total

liabilities of such Loan Guarantor (including the maximum amount reasonably expected to become due in respect of contingent liabilities, calculated, without duplication, assuming each other Loan Guarantor that is also liable for such contingent liability pays its ratable share thereof), giving effect to all payments made by other Loan Guarantors as of such date in a manner to maximize the amount of such contributions.

- (c) This <u>Section 11.11</u> is intended only to define the relative rights of the Loan Guarantors, and nothing set forth in this <u>Section 11.11</u> is intended to or shall impair the obligations of the Loan Guarantors, jointly and severally, to pay any amounts as and when the same shall become due and payable in accordance with the terms of this Loan Guaranty.
- (d) The parties hereto acknowledge that the rights of contribution and indemnification hereunder shall constitute assets of the Loan Guarantor or Loan Guarantors to which such contribution and indemnification is owing.
- (e) The rights of the indemnifying Loan Guarantors against other Loan Guarantors under this <u>Section 11.11</u> shall be exercisable upon the Payment in Full of the Guaranteed Obligations and the termination of this Agreement.

SECTION 11.12 <u>Liability Cumulative</u>. The liability of each Loan Party as a Loan Guarantor under this <u>Article X</u> is in addition to and shall be cumulative with all liabilities of each Loan Party to the Administrative Agent, the Issuing Bank and the Lenders under this Agreement and the other Loan Documents to which such Loan Party is a party or in respect of any obligations or liabilities of the other Loan Parties, without any limitation as to amount, unless the instrument or agreement evidencing or creating such other liability specifically provides to the contrary.

SECTION 11.13 <u>Keepwell</u>. Each Qualified ECP Guarantor hereby jointly and severally absolutely, unconditionally and irrevocably undertakes to provide such funds or other support as may be needed from time to time by each other Loan Party and/or Guarantor to honor all of its obligations under this Guarantee in respect of a Swap Obligation (provided, however, that each Qualified ECP Guarantor shall only be liable under this <u>Section 11.13</u> for the maximum amount of such liability that can be hereby incurred without rendering its obligations under this <u>Section 11.13</u> or otherwise under this Loan Guaranty voidable under applicable law relating to fraudulent conveyance or fraudulent transfer, and not for any greater amount). Except as otherwise provided herein, the obligations of each Qualified ECP Guarantor under this <u>Section 11.13</u> shall remain in full force and effect until the termination of all Swap Obligations. Each Qualified ECP Guarantor intends that this <u>Section 11.13</u> constitute, and this <u>Section 11.13</u> shall be deemed to constitute, a "keepwell, support, or other agreement" for the benefit of each other Loan Party for all purposes of Section 1a(18)(A)(v)(II) of the Commodity Exchange Act.

ARTICLE XII

The Borrower Representative.

SECTION 12.01 <u>Appointment; Nature of Relationship</u>. The CSW Borrower is hereby appointed by each of the Borrowers as its contractual representative (herein referred to as the "<u>Borrower Representative</u>") hereunder and under each other Loan Document, and each of the Borrowers irrevocably authorizes the Borrower Representative to act as the contractual representative of such Borrower with the rights and duties expressly set forth herein and in the other Loan Documents. The Borrower Representative agrees to act as such contractual representative upon the express conditions contained in

this Article XII. Additionally, the Borrowers hereby appoint the Borrower Representative as their agent to receive all of the proceeds of the Loans in the Funding Account(s), at which time the Borrower Representative shall promptly disburse such Loans to the appropriate Borrower(s), provided that, in the case of a Revolving Loan, such amount shall not exceed Availability. The Administrative Agent and the Lenders, and their respective officers, directors, agents or employees, shall not be liable to the Borrower Representative or any Borrower for any action taken or omitted to be taken by the Borrower Representative or the Borrowers pursuant to this Section 12.01.

SECTION 12.02 <u>Powers</u>. The Borrower Representative shall have and may exercise such powers under the Loan Documents as are specifically delegated to the Borrower Representative by the terms of each thereof, together with such powers as are reasonably incidental thereto. The Borrower Representative shall have no implied duties to the Borrowers, or any obligation to the Lenders to take any action thereunder except any action specifically provided by the Loan Documents to be taken by the Borrower Representative.

SECTION 12.03 <u>Employment of Agents</u>. The Borrower Representative may execute any of its duties as the Borrower Representative hereunder and under any other Loan Document by or through authorized officers.

SECTION 12.04 <u>Notices</u>. Each Borrower shall immediately notify the Borrower Representative of the occurrence of any Default or Event of Default hereunder, refer to this Agreement, describe such Default or Event of Default, and state that such notice is a "notice of default". In the event that the Borrower Representative receives such a notice, the Borrower Representative shall give prompt notice thereof to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders. Any notice provided to the Borrower Representative hereunder shall constitute notice to each Borrower on the date received by the Borrower Representative.

SECTION 12.05 <u>Successor Borrower Representative</u>. Upon the prior written consent of the Administrative Agent, the Borrower Representative may resign at any time, such resignation to be effective upon the appointment of a successor Borrower Representative. The Administrative Agent shall give prompt written notice of such resignation to the Lenders.

SECTION 12.06 Execution of Loan Documents. The Borrowers hereby empower and authorize the Borrower Representative, on behalf of the Borrowers, to execute and deliver to the Administrative Agent and the Lenders the Loan Documents and all related agreements, certificates, documents, or instruments as shall be necessary or appropriate to effect the purposes of the Loan Documents, including, without limitation, the Compliance Certificates. Each Borrower agrees that any action taken by the Borrower Representative or the Borrowers in accordance with the terms of this Agreement or the other Loan Documents, and the exercise by the Borrower Representative of its powers set forth therein or herein, together with such other powers that are reasonably incidental thereto, shall be binding upon all of the Borrowers.

SECTION 12.07 <u>Reporting</u>. Each Borrower hereby agrees that such Borrower shall furnish promptly after each fiscal month to the Borrower Representative a copy of any certificate or report required hereunder or requested by the Borrower Representative on which the Borrower Representative shall rely to prepare the Compliance Certificate required pursuant to the provisions of this Agreement.

[Signature Page Follows]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be duly executed and delivered by their respective authorized officers as of the day and year first above written.

CSW INDUSTRIALS HOLDINGS, INC.

By: Name: Luke Alverson Title: Vice President and Secretary
CSW INDUSTRIALS, INC.

Name: Luke Alverson

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary

CAPSTAR HOLDINGS CORPORATION

WHITMORE MANUFACTURING, LLC, formerly known as The Whitmore Manufacturing Company

WHITMORE'S FIELD SERVICES, LLC

JET-LUBE, LLC, formerly known as Jet-Lube, Inc.

SMOKE GUARD CALIFORNIA, INC.

SMOKE GUARD, INC.

STRATHMORE ACWORTH PROPERTY, LLC

STRATHMORE CUTTEN ROAD PROPERTY, LLC

STRATHMORE EMPLOYEE HOLDINGS, LLC

STRATHMORE HOLDINGS, LLC

STRATHMORE LONGVIEW PROPERTY, LLC

STRATHMORE PROPERTIES HOLDINGS, LLC

BALCO, INC.

RECTORSEAL, LLC, formerly known as The RectorSeal Corporation

GRECO RAILINGS HOLDINGS, LLC

GRECO ALUMINUM RAILINGS (U.S.A.) INC.

By: _____ Name: Luke Alverson

Title: Vice President and Secretary

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JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A.	, individually, and as Administrative Agent, Swingline
Lender and Issuing Bank	

By:	
Name:	Alexander M. Vardaman
Title:	Authorized Signer

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SUNTRUST BANK

By: _	
Name:	
Title:	

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[LEND	ER]		
By: _ Name:			
Name: Title:			

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IMMATERIAL SUBSIDIARIES

RS Acquisition Sub, LLC

SAC Holdings, LLC

Second Amendment To First Amended and Restated Credit Agreement – Annex I (Cover Page)

SUBSIDIARIES

CSW Industrials, Inc.

Name of Subsidiary	Jurisdiction of Incorporation	Percentage Ownership
Balco, Inc.	Kansas	100%
CSW Industrials Holdings, LLC	Delaware	100%
CapStar Holdings Corporation	Nevada	100%
CONG TY TNHH CONG NGHIEP T.A VIETNAM	Vietnam	100%
Greco Aluminum Railings, Ltd.	Canada	100%
Greco Aluminum Railings (U.S.A.) Inc.	Delaware	100%
Greco Railings Holdings, LLC	Delaware	100%
Jet-Lube of Canada Ltd.	Canada	100%
Jet-Lube (UK) Limited	UK	100%
Jet-Lube Europe Limited	UK	100%
RectorSeal Australia Pty Ltd	Australia	100%
RectorSeal, LLC	Delaware	100%
RS Acquisition Sub, LLC	Delaware	100%
SAC Holdings, LLC	Delaware	100%
Smoke Guard California, Inc.	Nevada	100%
Smoke Guard, Inc.	Nevada	100%
Shell & Whitmore Reliability Solutions, LLC	Delaware	50%
T.A. Industries, Inc.	California	100%
Whitmore Manufacturing, LLC	Delaware	100%
Whitmore Europe Limited	UK	100%

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We have issued our reports dated May 20, 2021, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and internal control over financial reporting included in the Annual Report of CSW Industrials, Inc. on Form 10-K for the year ended March 31, 2021. We consent to the incorporation by reference of said reports in the Registration Statements of CSW Industrials, Inc. on Form S-3 (File No. 333-250003) and on Form S-8 (File No. 333-207178).

/s/ GRANT THORNTON LLP

Dallas, Texas May 20, 2021

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Joseph B. Armes, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021 of CSW Industrials, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purpose in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 20, 2021

/s/ Joseph B. Armes

Joseph B. Armes Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION OF PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, James E. Perry, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021 of CSW Industrials, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
 - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
 - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purpose in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
 - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
 - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
 - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
 - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 20, 2021

/s/ James E. Perry

James E. Perry Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, Joseph B. Armes, Chief Executive Officer of CSW Industrials, Inc. (the "Company"), certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:
- (1) the Annual Report on Form 10-K of the Company for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Annual Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Annual Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 20, 2021

/s/ Joseph B. Armes

Joseph B. Armes Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

- I, James E. Perry, Chief Financial Officer of CSW Industrials, Inc. (the "Company"), certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:
- (1) the Annual Report on Form 10-K of the Company for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2021, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Annual Report"), fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) the information contained in the Annual Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the consolidated financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 20, 2021

/s/ James E. Perry

James E. Perry Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer)